

Virtual Sunday School Lesson

Entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11)



Bible Verses (NIV):

Mark 11: 1-11

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" just say this, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately."' They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, 'What are you doing, untying the colt?' They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, 'Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!

Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

Activity: A Joyful Celebration

Theme: Palm Sunday - praising Jesus

Supplies: Noisemakers such as kazoos, whistles, horns, bells, clickers and some flags or banners.

Lesson:

I really enjoy a great celebration, don't you? What are some things that people like to celebrate? A birthday party... a holiday... or a sporting event? How do they celebrate? Well, one way people celebrate is by making a lot of noise. Look, I have some noisemakers for some of you this morning. (Pass out noisemakers.) Another way people celebrate is by waving flags or pennants. I have some of those too. (Pass out flags and pennants.) Still another way people celebrate is by shouting and cheering.

This morning, let's have a celebration. Let's celebrate that we are here today to worship and praise Jesus. Let's all give three cheers for Jesus while those of you who have noisemakers make some noise and those of you who have flags wave them high! Are you ready? Here we go! "Hip, Hip, hooray! Hip, hip, hooray! Hip, hip, hooray!"

Wow! That was great and I think this is good day for us to celebrate Jesus, because today is a very special day. Today is Palm Sunday. It is a day when we remember how people celebrated when Jesus entered into Jerusalem on a Sunday some two thousand years ago. You've probably heard the story, but let me tell it again.

Jesus was walking with his disciples toward Jerusalem. As they came near to the city, Jesus told two of his disciples to go on ahead into the town. He told them that they would see a young donkey tied there that had never been ridden. "Untie the donkey and bring it to me. If anyone asks you what you are doing, just tell them, 'The Lord needs it. He will send it back to you soon.'"

The disciples did what Jesus told them to do and it happened just as he had told them. They found the young donkey, untied it, and started to lead it away. Some men were standing nearby, and they said to the disciples, "Where are you taking that young donkey?" They told them what Jesus had said and the men let them take the donkey.

The disciples brought the young donkey to Jesus and they put their coats on it to make a soft place for Jesus to sit. As they made their way into the city of Jerusalem, people went ahead of Jesus shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord!" Others followed behind and they were also shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Hosanna in the highest!" All the while, people lined the streets cheering and waving palm branches.

It was a wonderful celebration, but it was a bit noisy! Do you think Jesus liked all that noise? I do! The Bible says "This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

Just as those people celebrated two thousand years ago, we have come here today to celebrate Jesus. What better day to do that than on Palm Sunday?

Closing Prayer:

Father, we celebrate today just as those people celebrated in Jerusalem two thousand years ago. This is the day that You have made; we will rejoice and be glad in it! In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

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Video: Triumphal Entry <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z-39h0xYqdE>

Saddleback Kids: The triumphal entry into Jerusalem is presented in this unique version.

Duration: 3:08

Video: Donkey No One Could Ride <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lqXAhafNJI8>

EWTN Published; The story of a donkey too weak for anyone to ride, chosen to be ridden into Jerusalem by Jesus.

Duration: 10:06

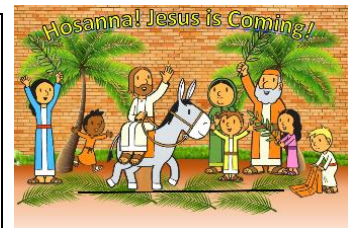
Craft: Palm Scrapbook (Preschool)

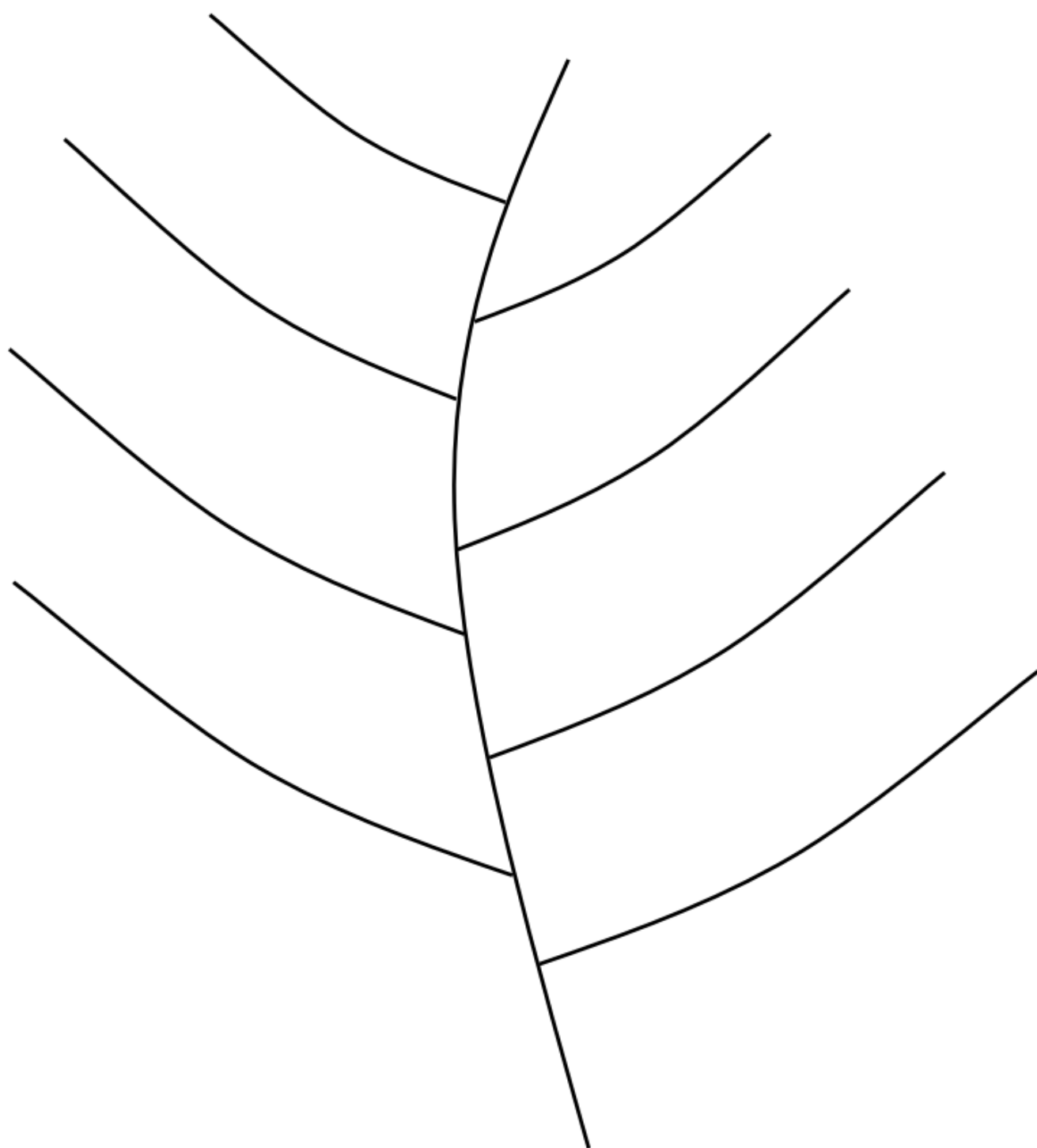
Supplies: "Palm Scrapbook" page, pieces of green scrapbook paper, glue
Directions: Before class, print off one "Palm Scrapbook" page for each child. Take scrap pieces of green colored scrapbook paper and cut into 1" square pieces (can use other types of green paper).
In class, have the children apply glue to the lines on the paper and stick paper pieces to the page.



Craft: Slide Along Jesus

Supplies: "Slide Along Jesus" pages, scissors, craft stick, glue
Directions: Print off "Slide Along Jesus" pages on cardstock and cut out the figures. Carefully cut a slot along the dark black line on the background page. Glue a craft stick to the back of Jesus on the Donkey, so it hangs down below. Glue people on the background, keeping the slot clear. Slide the craft stick through the slot, so Jesus on the donkey can be pulled passed the crowd.





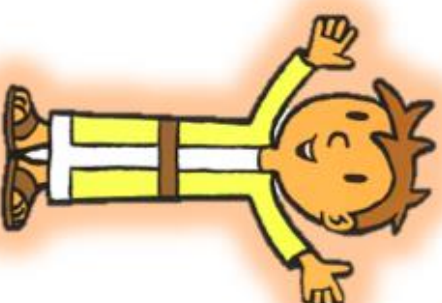
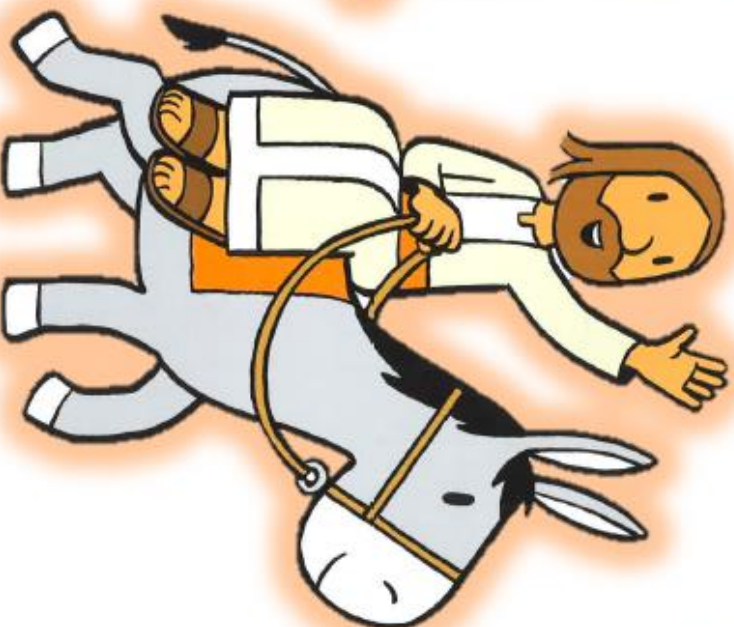
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Entry into Jerusalem

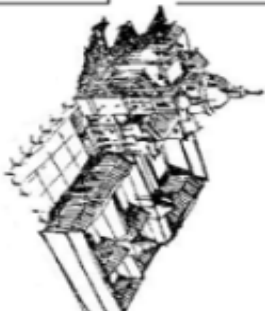
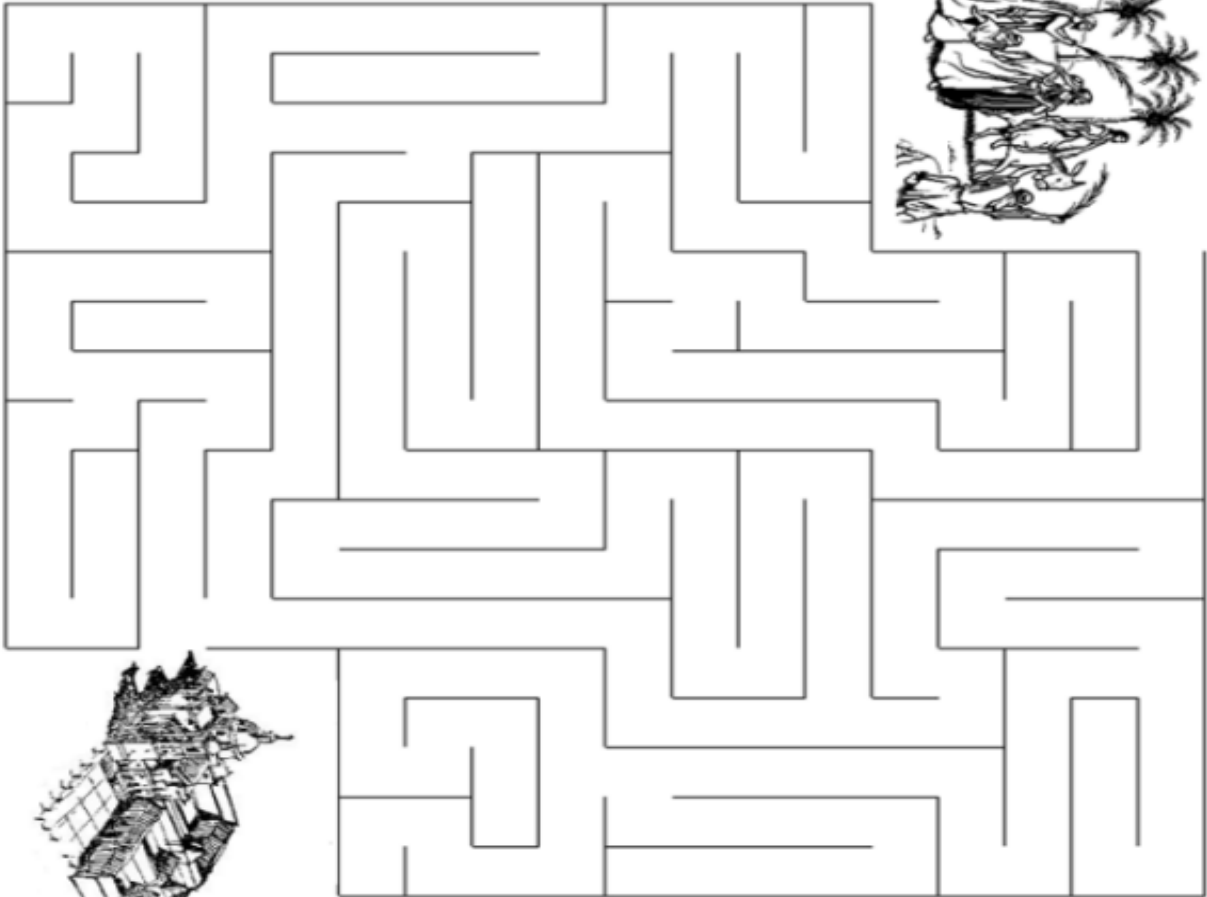
Slide along Jesus





People were excited. Jesus was coming to Jerusalem

Can you help Jesus find the way through the streets of Jerusalem?



The Triumphal Entry

Hosanna

Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, "Hosanna!"
"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" Mark 11:9 (NIV)
Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



E	N	Q	G	Z	M	R	T	I	B	S	Y	K	O	L	W	F	V	H	U	C	J	A	P	X	D
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26

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- 10-15-1-11-1-1-26 _____

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CLOAKS	ROAD	HOSANNA	BLESSED	VILLAGE