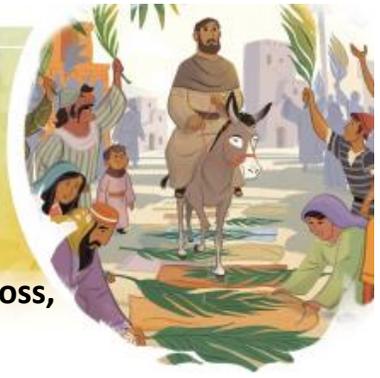


Truth Talk



What did Jesus do to save us? Jesus lived a sinless life, died on the cross, and rose from the dead.

Week 26: February 28, 2021

Bible Point: People welcomed Jesus to Jerusalem as their King.

Key Passage: And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death – even death on a cross! (Philippians 2:8)

Sunday Bible Study: (Preschool & Children)

Parent Bible Study Introduction:

Jesus' Triumphal Entry (Matthew 21; Mark 11; Luke 19; John 12)

Leading into the last week of Jesus' ministry before His death and resurrection, Jesus entered Jerusalem as the King of kings. Many of God's people traveled to Jerusalem for Passover. Jesus and His disciples traveled to Jerusalem as well. Near Bethphage (BETH fayj) and Bethany near the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples ahead into a village.

Jesus told them, "You will find a young donkey tied there. No one has ever sat on it. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone says to you 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord needs it.'" Jesus would fulfill Zechariah's prophecy: "Look, your King is coming to you ... humble and riding on a donkey" (Zech. 9:9).

Jesus made a spectacular entrance into the city. He rode a donkey, and people laid branches and their robes on the ground in front of Him. The people welcoming Jesus into Jerusalem believed He was the promised Messiah, but they expected Him to overthrow Roman oppression and set up an earthly throne. Jesus sent a different message.

The next day, Jesus entered the temple and turned over the tables of the money changers and those selling doves. Jesus referred to Isaiah 56:7, declaring that His kingship would not just be over the Jews but over all people. While Jesus was in the temple, He healed the blind and the lame. Jesus' actions declared, "I am not just your King; I am also your God." (See Isa. 35:4-6.)

Finally, the priests and the scribes heard the children in the temple worshiping Jesus as their King. "Do You hear what these children are saying?" they asked. Jesus replied, quoting Psalm 8:2. Jesus gladly received their praise because He was worthy of their praise. Jesus is the Son of God who came to overthrow sin and set up an eternal throne.

During Jesus' triumphal entry, the people welcomed Him as King. Jesus was the Messiah spoken about by the prophet Zechariah: "Look, your King is coming to you; He is righteous and victorious, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey" (Zechariah 9:9). One day, Jesus will return to earth on a white horse as King over everything.

- What celebration was coming up? The Passover
- What city were they about to enter? Jerusalem
- What did Jesus send the Disciples to find? Donkey
- What did the people do when Jesus came riding in on a donkey? Laid their robes and branches on the ground in front of Jesus. They celebrated him as King!
- What kind of King were they celebrating? An earthly King, a king who could Conquer Rome.
- What kind of King is Jesus? Both a heavenly king and an earthly king, a king who conquered sin and death for all who believe.

Practice: Say (Memorize) Key passage

Focus:

Jesus is King over all! When Jesus came into Jerusalem riding on a Donkey, He was fulfilling the prophecy of Zechariah 9:9. The people who gathered laid down garments and palm leaves were acknowledging Jesus is the Messiah. They understood the Prophecy! However, they were only thinking of an earthly king. When the people realized Jesus was not a Warrior King, they quickly turned their back on Jesus and Shouted Crucify Him! So, how do we see Jesus? Do we acknowledge Jesus as Lord only when He fills our wants, or do we seek Him as the Biblical King and follow Him in obedience? Take some time to acknowledge Jesus as your Heavenly King. The King who conquered sin and death for you. Dedicate yourself to live in obedience to Jesus. He lived in perfect unison with God. Let us try to live like Christ Jesus our Messiah and seek a perfect relationship with God.

Pray: Thank God for showing us that Jesus is the promised Messiah. Ask God to give you the courage to live in obedience to Him. Ask God to show you areas in your life you need to turn over to Him.

Tuesday:

All Star Verse: Philippians 2:8

And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death – even death on a cross! (Philippians 2:8)

How did Jesus Humble Himself?

Jesus loved God and loved us. He obeyed God even though it meant a painful death. He knew that his death and resurrection was the best way to glorify God and the only way to give us life.

Saturday Night: (Preschool & Children)

Take a few minutes to briefly discuss Sunday and Tuesday:

Jesus' Triumphant Entry

Preview for Sunday, March 7, 2021:

Jesus was Questioned (Matthew 22, Mark 12, Luke 20)

- Where was Jesus teaching? In Jerusalem
- Who was trying to trick Jesus? Jewish religious leaders.
- What did Jesus answer about paying taxes? Give to Caesar what is his.
- What is our greatest command? Love God with all your heart, soul, mind, strength; and love your neighbor.

No Wednesday Night Activities during the week of Spring Break, March 8-12.