

## **DEEPER ROOTS**

March 25- March 31

Planting Seeds: Read Matthew 20:29-21:11

As Jesus is on His way to Jerusalem, He knows what awaits Him. And Jesus passes by two men who are born blind. They cried out repeatedly, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!" They could not see with their eyes, but they could discern and know the truth. They knew who Jesus was, and they knew what He could do. Jesus is about to arrive in Jerusalem, where they crowd will correctly be responding to who Jesus is, and properly worshipping Him. Here these two men lack so much of what everyone else has, but they have discerned and known the truth. As we celebrate the arrival of Jesus this week to accomplish His great work, let us see clearly who Jesus is. Jesus is the Lord of creation, He is sovereign and powerful over everything in this world including death and life. He is Lord of eternity, and we should make Him Lord of our Life. If you do not currently have Jesus as the Lord of your life, there is no better time than today than to trust Him with that decision. Who is Jesus to you? Who or what is the Lord of your life? This week what does it look like for you to trust Jesus with all that you have and all that you are?

Digging Deep: Matthew 21:1-11, John 12:12-19, Luke 19:28-40, Mark 11:1-11

As we read the four accounts of Jesus arriving in Jerusalem, we see little different descriptions of different details, but we are overwhelmed with the response of the crowd. The people are so excited that Jesus is arriving in town. Jesus has taught, Jesus has ministered, Jesus has healed. They know that they have so much to celebrate in Jesus. But they don't understand the cross. They don't understand what He is going to do, they don't understand why He is going to do it, and they don't understand just how much bigger it is, than what they were hoping He would do. It's easy for us to get excited about Jesus with the crowd, but then be disappointed when He doesn't give us what we want. What have you asked Jesus for that you don't currently have? Does that lead you to feel disappointment? The truth is that God has something bigger and better for you. Faith is us learning to trust that God's plan is bigger and better than our own. Even when we don't understand it. How are you currently frustrated or disappointed? What will it look like for you to trust God more? How do you trust God when you don't understand what He is doing?

Pioneer Drive Baptist Church wants you to grow in The Word during the week of 3.25-3.31.24. Planting Seeds is a quick devotional and Digging Deep is a more robust study for you, your family, or your group. If you have questions or feedback, please email <a href="mailto:Terence@pioneerdrive.org">Terence@pioneerdrive.org</a>.