



Palm Sunday

Reflect on Palm Sunday Message

- Why does Mark and the other Gospel writers devote so much time to the last week of Jesus' life? What is the significance of Jesus' mode of transportation and how would this have stoked the expectations of the Jewish people? What were the Jewish people hoping the Messiah would do (save them from)? How is Jesus' salvation so much better? Jesus planned everything out to the last detail and is in complete control of the events of this week. What is the significance of that and how is it an encouragement to us? What is the significance of the temple for the Jews and now for us?
- How can you apply this message (Brian suggested a few ways at the end): repent of sin and rejoice in Jesus saving us from our greatest problem; don't waste this week but use it well to draw near to God; let this week shape your understanding of what it means to follow Jesus (Jesus calls his followers to a cross-shaped life meaning death to ourselves and service to others), let this week comfort you as we face this pandemic (Jesus has died to save us from our greatest problem of sin, He rose from the dead as the beginning of a new creation, He has given us his presence to help us today, and he has promised to return to restore the world. So we have everything we need to face the troubles of today).

Daily reading from 2020 Bible Reading Plan

4/6: Luke 2

4/7: Luke 3

4/8: Luke 4

4/9: Luke 5

4/10: Luke 6

Additional Reading for Easter Week (these passages detail what happened each day):

Palm Sunday: Matthew 21:1–11, Mark 11:1–11, Luke 19:28–44, John 12:9–19

Monday: Matthew 21:12–22, Mark 11:12–19, Luke 19:45–48

Tuesday: Matthew 21:23–26:5, Mark 11:27–14:2, Luke 20:1–22:2, John 12:37–50

Wednesday: Matthew 26:6–16, Mark 14:3–11, Luke 22:3–6

Thursday: Matthew 26:17–75, Mark 14:12–72, Luke 22:7–71, John 13:1–18:27

Friday: Matthew 27:1–61, Mark 15:1–47, Luke 23:1–56, John 18:28–19:42

Saturday: Matthew 27:62–66

Sunday: Matthew 28:1–20, Mark 16:1–8, Luke 24:1–53, John 20:1–21:25

For Group Leaders and Group Discussion

Use zoom to connect with group members. The first 40 meetings are free. There is a need to use this time wisely. So divide your time into three increments:

- Check in: ask each person to tell the group how they are doing and how the group can pray for them.
- Discuss sermon and reading: what has God been teaching you through His Word and the teaching from Sunday? How can you apply what you are reading? How are you sharing the love of Jesus with others or how can you share the love of Jesus with others this week?
- Read a passage of Scripture together and pray: Read Mark 15 and 16 together to reflect on the death and resurrection of Jesus.