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Small Group Guide: "On His Way" - Palm Sunday

Icebreaker Question: Share about a time when two people saw the same situation completely differently (like the "Slow Kids" sign story from the sermon). What caused the different perspectives?

Sermon Recap

This Palm Sunday message explored why Jesus came to earth and where He was truly headed. While the crowds celebrated Jesus entering Jerusalem, only Jesus knew the full story—that He was on His way through the cross, through the tomb, and ultimately to you. The sermon challenged us with two perspectives: either we believe God is disappointed in us, or we believe God sent Jesus to rescue us.

Discussion Questions

Part 1: Understanding Holy Week (15 minutes)

1. Before this sermon, how much attention did you pay to Holy Week (Palm Sunday through Easter)? What shaped your perspective on whether it's a "big deal" or not?
 2. The sermon stated that Jesus was "on his way" knowing exactly what awaited Him—rejection, abuse, and death. What does it reveal about God's character that Jesus continued anyway?
 3. Read John 12:12-16 together. Why do you think the disciples didn't understand what was happening until after Jesus was glorified?
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Part 2: What Does God Think About You? (20 minutes)

- 4. The sermon posed this critical question: "What does God think about when God thinks about me?" How would you honestly answer that question? What influences your answer?**
 - 5. Many people believe God is disappointed in them or fed up with them. Why do you think this perspective is so common? Where does it come from?**
 - 6. The sermon emphasized: "You're not too small for the gospel." Have you ever felt too insignificant for God to care about? How does the reality of Jesus making His way to the cross specifically for you challenge that feeling?**
 - 7. Discuss this statement: "God didn't punish His own son just so He would have a chance to punish you." How does this truth change the way we approach God?**
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Part 3: Living Out the Gospel (20 minutes)

- 8. The sermon said, "You're not too small for the gospel, but the gospel is too big to stay with just you." What does this mean practically in your everyday life?**
 - 9. Jinx Church's philosophy is "Invest and Invite." Who are you currently investing in? Who has God placed in your life that needs to hear about His love?**
 - 10. What makes inviting someone to church difficult for you? What fears or obstacles come up?**
 - 11. Be specific: Who is one person you could personally invite to Easter Sunday? Share that name with the group for accountability.**
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Practical Applications

This Week's Challenge:

- 1. Personal Reflection:** Spend 15 minutes this week journaling your honest answer to "What does God think about when He thinks about me?" Then write out the truth from Scripture about God's love for you.
 - 2. Invest:** Choose one person in your life and intentionally invest in them this week—a phone call, coffee, helping with a need, or simply listening.
 - 3. Invite:** Personally invite at least one person to Easter Sunday services at Jinx Church. Look them in the eyes and ask specifically: "Will you come with me to Jinx Church for Easter?"
 - 4. Holy Week Journey:** Each day this week, reflect on one day of Holy Week:
 - **Monday:** Jesus clearing the temple (Mark 11:15-19)
 - **Tuesday:** Jesus teaching and predicting (Mark 13)
 - **Wednesday:** Judas' betrayal arranged (Matthew 26:14-16)
 - **Thursday:** The Last Supper (Luke 22:7-23)
 - **Friday:** The Crucifixion (John 19)
 - **Saturday:** The silence and waiting
 - **Sunday:** The Resurrection!
 - 5. Share on Social Media:** Share Jenks Church's Easter content on your social platforms, but more importantly, follow up with personal invitations.
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