



Jesus Rides into Jerusalem

Matthew 21:1-11;
Luke 19:29-44

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Jesus and His disciples were on their way to Jerusalem. A large crowd followed them. The people had seen Jesus heal many people. Now they hoped Jesus would be their new King. The disciples brought a donkey to Jesus. They put their coats on its back. Then Jesus climbed on. He rode the little donkey into Jerusalem.

Jerusalem was full of people. Many of them had come for the Passover. The people heard that Jesus was coming, so they ran to meet Him. Some of them put their coats on the road. Others cut palm branches and laid them on the road. The people wanted Jesus to be their King. They made a special path for their King to ride on. They made a path of coats and palm branches for Jesus.

The people shouted, "Praise God. Hosanna! Hosanna to the Son of David! God bless the one who is coming in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" They waved their palm branches. And they shouted praises to Jesus. Other people heard the praises. They heard the shouting. They asked, "Who is this man?" The crowds shouted back, "This is Jesus of Nazareth!"

Some Pharisees watched the happy crowd. The Pharisees had become enemies of Jesus. They asked, "How can we stop Jesus? The whole world is following Him. We must get rid of Him." But the crowd continued to shout, "Hosanna," and to praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord.



Parents: Using coats, jackets, and robes, make a path in your house that runs from the front door to your child's room. Have a "Jesus parade" on the path. Shout, "Hosanna," and praise God that He sent Jesus to be our Savior.