



**Series:** Topical

**Passage** Luke 19:28-44

**Title:** Palm Sunday – The Triumphal Entry

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**Discussion Starter** – Jesus had spent three years in His public ministry and had poured many meaningful lessons into His disciples. Describe how your faith in Jesus prepared you to face this pandemic Corona virus? Who has Jesus placed around you to minister to, and how have you prepared them to handle this crisis?

### **Jesus' is the Fulfillment of the Old Testament Scriptures** (Luke 19:28-34)

- How dangerous do you think it was for Jesus to come into Jerusalem at this time? Read John 11:57 and John 12:23-25. What insights do these verses impart to us about what Jesus was facing and how was He prepared for this moment? What are the lessons we can learn from Jesus in how we must be prepared in the dangers we face right now?
- As Jesus and His disciples were going up to Jerusalem, they draw near to Bethpage and Bethany. What is the significance of these cities being mentioned here, and how does this connect with Jesus and His mission?
- Jesus sends two of His disciples on a mission to get a colt of a donkey that did not belong to them. Why do you think Jesus sent them by themselves? What questions might have been going through their minds? Can you remember a time when Jesus has prompted you to do something that you were unsure of on just how it would turn out, when you did what He asked?
- What is the motivation behind Jesus' request to ride in on this particular colt of a donkey? How does this reveal Jesus to be the fulfillment of the Old Testament Scriptures? Read Zechariah 9:9 and Isaiah 9:6. What do these scriptures tell us about the purpose and posture of Jesus' first triumphal entry?

### **Purpose Filled Praise Keep Our Eyes on Jesus** (Luke 19:35-44)

- What was the significance of the laying of clothes and palm branches on the road? How did this contrast to the way Roman kings or generals would make their entry into a city?
- Describe in your own words what you think motivated the people to praise Jesus? Was it because they knew that these great works from God would precede the Messiah, or were they just looking for an escape from being under the Roman rule?
- What did the phrase "Peace in Heaven" mean? How do the Pharisees react to the crowd's praise of Jesus and why do they react this way? How does Jesus respond back to them? Read Isaiah 55:12 and Psalm 96:11-12. What do these verses reveal about praising Jesus?
- What enabled those common, poor and hurting people to praise Jesus, even though many may have been going through difficult trials in their lives? How does our praise of Jesus change when we are faced with a season of trials? What are we rejoicing in, and what are we praising Jesus for now?
- Why do you think Jesus weeps over the city? Read Ezekiel 33:11. Who are you weeping over for now? Who are some of the lost people Jesus wants you to reach out to this week?