

PALM SUNDAY

LORD OF ALL

SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2016

KEY SCRIPTURE | Matthew 21:1–11

DISCUSSION GUIDE

How did we go from shouts of “Hosanna” to “Crucify Him!” in just a few days? Here we see blessing and cursing coming out of the very same mouths, and that’s not a good thing (James 3:9–10). While the crowd’s praises were absolutely spot on—their actions even fulfilled prophecy—their hearts were far from submitted to who He really was—Lord of all.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Have you ever participated in a coronation? What was that like? (i.e. Homecoming King or Queen, Miss USA, quinceañera, etc.)
2. Read Zechariah 9:9. This is one example of the 300+ prophecies in the Bible that have been fulfilled already by Christ. What does this say about the validity of the Bible and who Christ is?
3. Jesus was never a victim. He remained in complete control throughout Passion Week. Discuss this with your group.
4. Glance at verses 9–11 again. Jesus was revealing Himself completely by fulfilling prophecies about the Messiah in front of large crowds. If a similar scene were to take place today, how do you think the crowd would react? How would you react?
5. In his message, Pastor Neal talked about “shaping your Jesus” or making Him Savior, but not Lord of all. Are there areas you find difficult to give to Jesus? Why or why not?
6. Read Philippians 2:9–11. How are we tempted to allow other things to be lord in our lives? In light of Scripture, how will you change this?

IN ACTION

It’s spring cleaning time, so seek God and ask Him what to clean out in your lives. Where are you not letting Him be Lord of all? Pray for guidance and discernment to know where you have been shaping your Jesus and let Him shape you instead!

