

# RL GROUPS

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## Matthew 21

**1** As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, **2** saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. **3** If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away. **4** This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: **5** "Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'" **6** The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. **7** They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. **8** A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. **9** The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"



## Questions for Discussion

1. Read Matthew 21.
2. How was Passover like the 4th of July? What did the Jewish people celebrate independence from?
3. What does their reaction to Jesus say about their expectations for Jesus?
4. Why do you think these same crowds were shouting "crucify him!" a few days later?
5. How are the expectations we have for Jesus sometimes different than what he wants to offer us?
6. What should we expect from Jesus?

Take time to pray for one another.