

Discussion and Reflection Questions

Palm Sunday - I AM the Way, the Truth and the Life - 29th of February 2026

Read: John 10:11-16

‘Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. ²In my Father’s house there are many dwelling-places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? ³And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. ⁴And you know the way to the place where I am going.’ ⁵Thomas said to him, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?’ ⁶Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

Read: Matthew 21:1-11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, ‘Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, “The Lord needs them.” And he will send them immediately.’ ⁴This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

⁵ ‘Tell the daughter of Zion,
Look, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.’

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

‘Hosanna to the Son of David!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!’

¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, ‘Who is this?’ ¹¹The crowds were saying, ‘This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.’

Questions

1. In Matthew 21:1-11, Jesus enters Jerusalem as king, but in a humble way. What kind of king were the crowds expecting?

2. The crowds shout “Hosanna” which means “save us” or “save now.” What do you think they were wanting to be saved from or saved to? How is Jesus’ salvation different?
3. Jesus says, “I am the way.” How does his journey into Jerusalem (toward the cross) redefine what “the way” looks like?
4. How does the triumphal entry challenge worldly ideas of power, success, and leadership? How does this contrast with events in our world today?
5. The crowds misunderstand who Jesus is. What does this reveal about how easily truth can be distorted? What does it mean to say Jesus is “the truth”?
6. Jesus promises life, yet he is heading toward death. How does the cross redefine what true life is?
7. What will be your focus this Holy Week?

Prayer

Merciful God,
as we enter this holy week
and gather at your house of prayer,
turn our hearts again to Jerusalem,
to the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ,
that, united with Christ and all the faithful,
we may one day enter in triumph
the city not made with hands,
the new Jerusalem, eternal in the heavens,
where, with you and the Holy Spirit,
Christ lives in glory for ever. Amen.