

Palm Sunday

Pastor Ernest Smith – April 13th, 2025

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Open your group in prayer and remember that this is only a guide. Feel free to discuss each of the provided questions, or simply dive deeper into just one. If you only have a few minutes, you can use the 3 Essential Questions, or you can add in the extras provided.

Scriptures:

John 12

Three Essential Questions

The following questions are intended to be open-ended and encourage members to consider how they felt and what they, or the group, can do as a result of hearing the message.

1. **What did you hear?** *What point in this message was most impactful for you?*
2. **What do you think?** *How did this message challenge, change, or affirm your thinking?*
3. **What will you do?** *How will you or your group put into practice what you've learned today?*

Message Points/Extra Questions

1. 3 Responses to Jesus:
 - a. Threatened by Jesus
 - i. Discuss why the Pharisees and religious leaders felt threatened by Jesus. How does this compare to modern-day perceptions of religion and faith?
 - b. Intrigued by Jesus
 - i. Reflect on what it means to be intrigued by Jesus today. What are some reasons people might find Him intriguing but not commit to faith?
 - ii. Share personal experiences or stories of how intrigue might have led to faith or further exploration.
 - c. Transformed by Jesus
 - i. What does transformation through Jesus look like in your life or the lives of others?
 - ii. Discuss the importance of sharing our personal stories of transformation to inspire others and to ensure "the rocks don't cry out" in our place.