



# Unit Theme: Simple Gospel

## JESUS' TRIUMPHAL ENTRY

APRIL 5TH

### WORSHIP

Go to Youtube -> Search "The Life Church Kids" -> Click "Videos" -> Select the Following Songs:

**Song # 1:** No Fear in Love - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OSepaVqr3Xs>

**Song #2:** Nothing is Impossible - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5ZZgpgyFpII>

**Song #3:** I am Yours - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DwrW6rZZ2fc>

### AGREEMENTS

Make a verbal agreement together to follow the following guidelines:

- #1 - I can LISTEN
- #2 - I can LEARN
- #3 I can STAY SAFE
- #4 I can SHOW RESPECT
- #5 I can PARTICIPATE

### DECLARATIONS

Take time to declare out loud the following Biblical Truths together as a class:

- #1 - God is in a GOOD MOOD
- #2 - I will tell nations of what God has done!
- #3 - With God, Nothing is IMPOSSIBLE!
- #4 - Everywhere I go becomes a perfect health zone!

### MISSIONS FOCUS

**-Location:** India (Find Location on globe or map)

**-LifePointe Missionaries:** Gage & Kathleen Bender (Show photo of Missionary)

**-Offering:** (Explain why we give to God our tithes & Missions Offerings)

**-Pray:** (Ask a child to help you pray over the nation, missionaries, and bless the offering!)



### BIBLE VERSE

Today's Verse:

*For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him.- John 3:17*

Show your kids how to find the verse together in the bible. Demonstrate as you search for the Book, Chapter, then Verse. Then, pick a portion of the verse to memorize. Say that part of the verse together and make up motions to go with each key word! Lastly, take time to discuss what Truths they can take away from the verse.

### TRUTH

Today's Truth: Jesus is Lord!

*(Say it to the kids & have them repeat after you. Come up with original motions or use ASL & Repeat this Truth all morning long!)*

## BIBLE STORY

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**Today's Bible Story:** Jesus' Triumphal Entry Palm Sunday (Utilize Paper Figures as Visuals)

As Jesus came closer to Jerusalem, he asked two of his disciples to go ahead of Him. He said, "When you get to the town, you will see a donkey tied up. Untie it, and bring it to me. If anyone asks you about taking the donkey, just tell them, 'The Lord needs it and He will bring it back as soon as He's done with it.'" So, the disciples did as Jesus asked. They found the donkey and told those who asked, exactly what Jesus instructed. After explaining that the Lord needed it, the people let them go. When they brought the donkey to Jesus, some of the disciples took off their coats and laid them on the donkey's back out of respect for Jesus. Then Jesus rode on the donkey towards Jerusalem. Many people had heard He might be coming and they wanted to see him because he had just helped a dead man come back to life. One by one, they laid their coats on the ground for the donkey to step on. The people that weren't wearing coats ran to the fields and trees nearby and cut palm branches and laid them down. These people knew that Jesus was special. It was like when a King or Queen would come to town, and people would roll out a red carpet for him or her to step on. The crowd surrounded Him and started to shout praises to Him for all the miracles He had done: "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna, Hosanna!" The word Hosanna means "save us." They said this because Jesus was doing amazing things, and they wanted Him to be their earthly King. Jesus came, just as the prophet Zechariah prophesied, "City of Zion, be full of joy! People of Jerusalem, shout! See, your king comes to you. He always does what is right. He has won the victory. He is humble and riding on a donkey. He is sitting on a donkey's colt." -Zechariah 9:9

Some men named Pharisees (these were supposed to be spiritual leaders and men of God). They heard the crowd praising God. They said to Jesus, "Teacher, why don't you tell these people to stop praising you as if you were God?" The Pharisees thought that Jesus was getting too much attention from the people. They wanted to be the most important, but everyone was listening to Jesus instead. Jesus replied, "If they were quiet now, even the rocks would cry out!" Even the rocks knew that Jesus was God; after all, Jesus did make them. Seeing Jerusalem made Jesus very sad. He came to help the people, but no one realized that He was God, and they didn't accept Him.

Jesus knew His identity as Lord, even if the world didn't recognize Him as God. Just like we learned in our memory verse today, Jesus came not to condemn or judge the world, but to save it! Jesus knew many people would reject Him as Lord, but because of His great love for us, He came to save us anyway.

## DISCUSSION TIME

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Allow the kids time to ask questions and reiterate Today's Truth from the Scripture!

## REAL LIFE APPLICATION

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Teacher/Parent -Share a personal story or testimony of a time when you didn't recognize God in a situation until after you reflected back. Share how He helped you, even when you didn't realize He was there all along.

## PRAYER & MINISTRY TIME

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- Prayer for healings (Practice using their authority in Christ to proclaim healing in Jesus' name!)
- Prayers of Encouragement (Practicing sharing God's loving thoughts to one another!)
- Prayer Requests (Give everyone opportunities to share)
- Pray together (Encourage a child to help you pray aloud)

## TESTIMONIES / PRAISE REPORTS

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Allow the kids time to testify to what God has done! Once they have shared what God did for them, have the rest of the family say together, "DO IT AGAIN GOD, DO IT AGAIN!" Then, ask that child to tell you who God revealed himself to be in that testimony. Give them suggestions, (ie. God is my Provider, Protector, Healer, etc.) Then, ask the rest of the family if they want to experience God in that way too! Then, have that child release that testimony over the rest of the family and pray you all could experience God as our (Provider, Protector, Healer, etc.) as well!

## ACTIVITY OPTIONS

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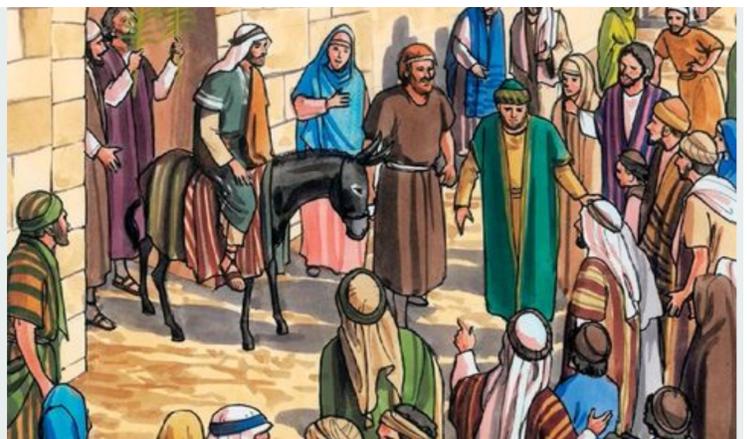
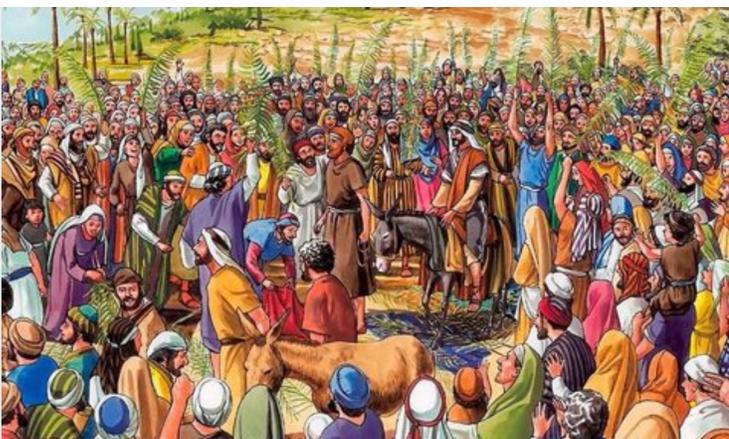
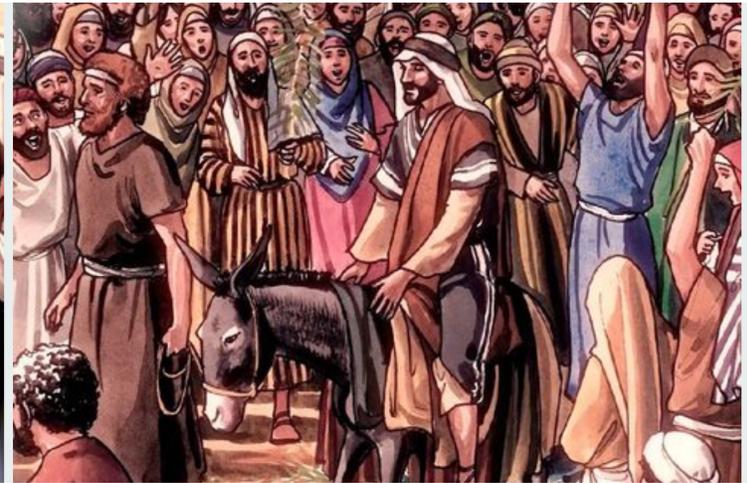
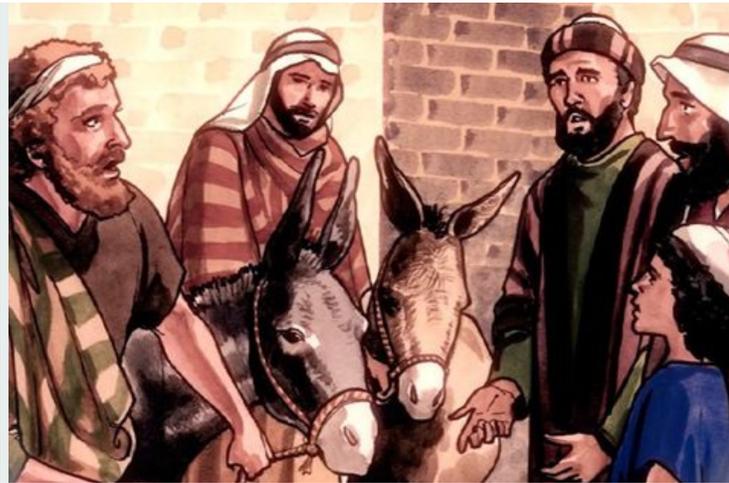
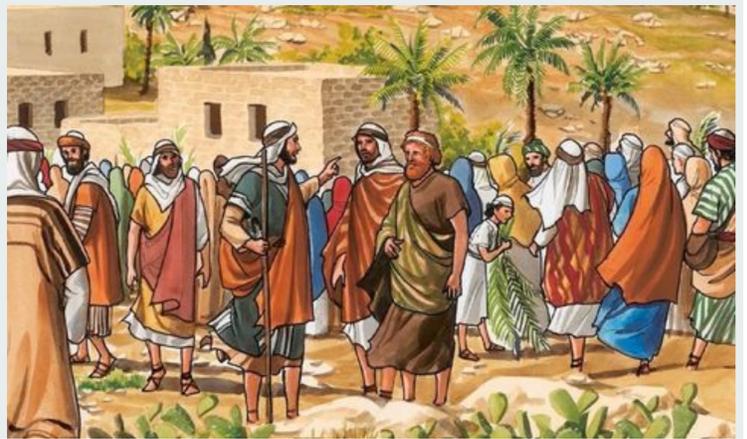
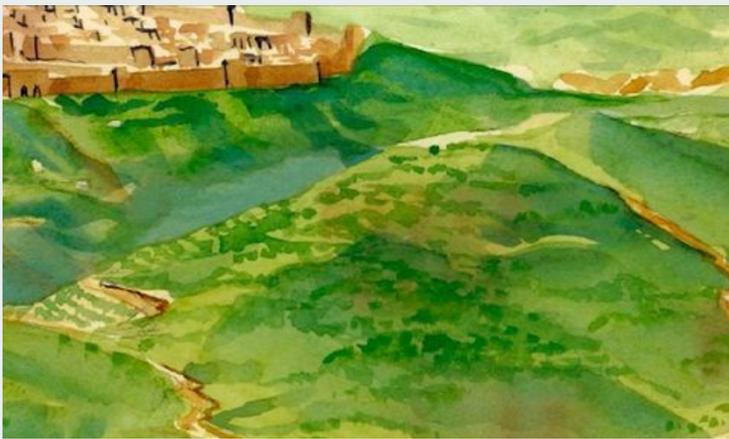
**Option #1:** Listening to God Activity Page

**Option #2:** ACT IT OUT! Assign each family member a role from today's story and act it out together. Get props like green paper to cut out leaves, and jackets to lay on the floor!

**Option #3:** Watch the following bible story video together and discuss as a family!

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VIUk0YCil5w>
- Youtube: Palm Sunday For Kids: The Triumphal Entry - Luke 19 | Easter Sunday School Lesson

"Bible Story Figures" (Visuals to Print and Cut Out)



**Today's Truth: Jesus is Lord!**

Bible Story Highlight: Palm Sunday (Jesus' Triumphal Entry)

**Follow Up:**

Jesus knew His identity as Lord, even if the world didn't recognize Him as God. Just like we learned in our memory verse today, Jesus came not to condemn the world, but to save it! Jesus knew many people would reject Him as Lord, but because of His great love for us, He came to save us anyway.

**Close your eyes & Ask God & Listen:** #1 - God, will you show and/or tell me what Palm Sunday felt like from your perspective/point of view?

Ask this child, "What did God show/tell you and how did it feel?" Then, write down their response below.

## Help Jesus Ride Through the City of Jerusalem

