

10-MINUTE BIBLE LESSON

Sunday

Mark 11:1-11

Before watching the video: What do you already know about the events of Jesus' final week? This may include remembrances of church services or Sunday School classes, or what you've seen portrayed on TV or in movies. Have you ever compared what you've been told or what you've seen with what the Gospels say? Keep what you've previously learned in mind for comparing as you move through this study.

Now read the passage twice. Take your time to notice every sentence and phrase. What stands out to you?

When they were approaching Jerusalem, at Bethphage and Bethany, near the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples and said to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately as you enter it, you will find tied there a colt that has never been ridden; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' just say this, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here immediately.'" They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" Then he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple; and when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

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After watching the video: How does the information shared about Roman parades help you see this passage differently? What difference does it make to read about Jesus' entry as a statement against Rome, and to his identity as God's chosen one?

Conclude in prayer. Thank God for blessings, ask forgiveness for wrongs done, request help for uncertainty. Close with "amen."

