Jesus came to rescue me and restore my relationship with God. He is worthy of worship!

Matthew 21:1–11, Mark 11:1–11
(Palm Sunday)
What were the people singing and shouting? Who is worthy of your praise? Why? Why did the people praise Jesus? Why did He come? What was Jesus riding on when He entered Jerusalem?

And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! [Mark 11:9, ESV]

Color and add the Palm Sunday piece to the Holy Week banner

Enjoy the Palm Sunday Palm Tree Snack

Reenact the Palm Sunday story with palm branches and a few of your coats.

Make a palm branch with green construction paper.

Imagine what it might have been like the day Jesus entered Jerusalem. Pretend and retell the story with toys you have on hand.

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What was Jesus riding on when He entered Jerusalem? What were the people singing and shouting? Why did the people praise Jesus? Why did He come? Who is worthy of your praise? Why?
You'll Need:
- Plate
- Bananas
- Mandarin Oranges (or Clementines)
- Grapes, Kiwi, or Green Apples
- Knife

Instructions:
1. Wash and slice the fruit.
2. Arrange the fruit in the shape of a palm tree (the bananas are the trunk, the grapes, kiwi, or green apples are the branches, and the clementines are the ground).
3. Invite your kids to enjoy the snack!

Snack time is a great time to read the Palm Sunday story and discuss the Let's Talk About It questions together. Your kids could also color the Hosanna coloring page at the same time!
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Mark 11:9, ESV

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What was Jesus riding on when He entered Jerusalem?

What were the people singing and shouting?

Why did the people praise Jesus? Why did He come?

Who is worthy of your praise? Why?

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16, NIV
HOSANNA! BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!

Mark 11:9, ESV
Palm Branch Craft

You'll Need:
- Hosanna Printable
- Cardstock
- Scissors
- Green Construction Paper
- Glue
- Green Crayon

Instructions:
1. Print the Hosanna printable on cardstock.
2. Use scissors to cut out 1" strips from the green construction paper.
3. Use a green crayon to color in the stem and glue the strips of construction paper to either side of the line to form the palm branch.

Palm Sunday Pretend Play

You'll Need:
- Small people and a donkey toy (if you don’t have a donkey, you can use a horse or something similar and your imagination)
- Palm Branch

Instructions:
1. Grab your favorite toy people, toy donkey, and palm branches.
2. Pretend, play, and imagine what it would be like to be in Jerusalem as Jesus entered the scene.
RETELL THE PALM SUNDAY STORY

You'll Need:
- Palm Branches (If you don't have any you can easily make some with green construction paper)
- Coats

Instructions:
1. Read through Mark 11:1-11
2. Invite your kids to act out the story by placing palm branches and coats to make a path for Jesus. Talk about what it might have felt like.

After your kids are finished pretending and imaginging, you can also listen to Hosanna by Hillsong.

LET'S DIVE DEEPER

On Palm Sunday we remember that Jesus entered Jerusalem and the people began praising Him. This special day was prophesied (told that it would happen) long before it actually happened (Zechariah 9:9).

The palm branches were a symbol of victory, honor, and celebration. People used them to cheer for important people who entered their city and rode down their streets. They lined the streets with a 'red carpet' of palm branches and their very own coats. They were cheering because they were excited that their long awaited King was here. But Jesus was not going to save them like they had imagined. The people wanted a King who would enter the scene and rule on a throne, but Jesus came as a servant who would die for them in order to rescue them.
HOLY WEEK BANNER

Print this page on heavy cardstock and color each piece. Cut around each banner piece with scissors. Punch two holes in the top and string together with ribbon. Hang the banner up and add a new piece as you walk through each part of Holy Week.

HOLY WEEK

HOSANNA!

DECORATE THE BACKGROUND WITH YOUR FAVORITE COLORS