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DISCUSSION GUIDE

April 21st, 2024

WARM-UP

Read Matt. 21:1-11: Pastor referenced **Mk. 11:4-6** in conjunction with these verses in Matthew. He then asked, "Have you ever felt like God is telling you or asking you to go and do something that you don't understand?" What would be your answer to that question?

ASK

- 1. Pastor Larry in his message stated that we can see clearly that this is an event that Jesus has both intended and planned and that we might think, well, he's Jesus and people should praise him. However, He then asked us, is this the way Jesus operated in public? What would your answer be and why?
- 2. Pastor Larry asked us when people said publicly after Jesus had healed them that he was the Messiah, the son of David what did Jesus say to them? How would you answer that question?
- **3. Reread Matt. 21:4-5**: Pastor Larry reminded us that a donkey was an animal of peace and a horse was an animal of war. He then asked, "When Jesus says that he's the king of Israel, what does he mean by that and what does Jesus know he's going there to do? What would be your answer to those questions?
- 4. Pastor Larry asked three important questions. First, why is Jesus doing such a public, dramatic presentation of who he is? Second, what do the people in Jerusalem think? Third, how do they feel about King Jesus riding up to Jerusalem? What would your answers be?
- 5. Pastor Larry reminded us about the shocking public symbols of the prophets Ezekiel and Isaiah and if you know Israel's scriptures you get the symbols. Jesus has a message from the God of Israel that their time is up. They will either crown Jesus as their King or they can kill him. Will you crown him as your king, your lord or will you kill him?

PRAY