

SUNDAY NIGHT YOUTH

- 5 APRIL 2020 -

You may wish to use a special notebook to write about the passages we look at whilst we cannot meet together.

You can use this book to write prayers to God as well.

You can make a notebook out of spare sheets of paper; it doesn't need to be fancy.

BIBLE PASSAGE:

Jesus Comes to Jerusalem as King – Matthew 21:1-11, Mark 11:1-11, Luke 19:28-44, John 12:12-19

REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

These questions aren't a 'test', they are meant to help you think about the passage in a different way. Don't worry if you don't have any ideas about how to respond to them right away. Sometimes we might think and pray about a passage for a while before 'the penny drops' about something.

1. Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday is described in all four Gospels (two more than the circumstances of His birth). Some of the Gospel writers will have recorded it, knowing full-well the event was recorded in the Gospel(s) which were written earlier.

Why do you think this event is recorded in all the Gospels? Why would the writers make sure it is included in their account of Jesus' life?

2. In Matthew's Gospel, the whole crowd asks "who is this?" when they see Jesus arriving.

Why do you think the crowd were so intrigued by this man riding into town on a donkey?

RESPONSE TASK:

If you like, here are a couple of ideas about how we can creatively respond to this passage.

1. Luke's Gospel gives us a powerful image; Jesus says if the crowd were silent, even the stones would cry out for Him.

It is easy to be silent when we are isolated at home. **Think about a way that we can "Welcome Jesus" in the lead-up to Easter.**

2. One way of welcoming Jesus could be to display a paper cross in your window. You could come up with your own design or use a folded one following these instructions (especially if you access to massive paper).

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