

Knowing Jesus-Triumphal Entry

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Purpose: Jesus enters Jerusalem and people celebrate His entrance. Celebration is a part of the Christian life. In this story we learn about 3 habits of celebration.

Opening Question: *What's your favorite holiday to celebrate and why?*

Read and Discuss: John 12:12-19; Mark 11:1-3

1. *Why do you think the crowd was celebrating and waving palm branches as Jesus entered Jerusalem? What do you celebrate Jesus for?*
2. *Why do you think Jesus entered on a donkey and not a big horse? What is the significance of the donkey? What does it mean that Jesus is riding on it?*
3. *In Mark 11:1-3 Jesus tells two disciples to take a donkey. Why do you think it was a donkey that had never been ridden? Why does Jesus assume the owner would be happy to give the donkey away?*
4. *What are some ways we can celebrate Easter through generosity? Time? Resources? Attention?*
5. *How can we do a better job of celebrating Jesus and what He has done for us?*