

Sermon Discussion Questions
Palm Sunday: Jesus Responds to Our Cry

*Here are some questions to discuss as you think about the message from **Matthew 21:1-11**.*

1. The crowd in Jerusalem asks the most important question any of us could ever ask: Who is Jesus? What is *your* answer? What do you really believe about Jesus? What questions do you have?
2. What are the different responses to Jesus that you see as he enters Jerusalem? Think about those who are following him and those who are seeing him for the first time. Which crowd do you most identify with today? Why?
3. What is it about Jesus that enables him to both *hear* our cry and *answer* our cry?
4. What does your “cry for hope” look like today? How is Jesus *leading* you through your cry?
5. How did you share your “living hope” last week? How do you plan to share this week? Think about our four action steps.
 - Pray.
 - Help someone who is hurting.
 - Invite someone who is on the fence.
 - Give generously.

If you would like to dig a little deeper, here are some more scriptures to read and questions to guide you.

1. Jesus’ triumphal entry into Jerusalem fulfills multiple Old Testament prophecies. Discuss each of the following examples. How do they point to Jesus?
 - Zechariah 9:9
 - Genesis 49:8-12
 - Isaiah 62:11
 - 2 Kings 9:13
 - 2 Samuel 14:4
2. What is the difference between “worshipping” Jesus and “questioning” Jesus? What have you done more of this past week? Why?
3. Has your foundation of “living hope” strengthened or weakened during this global pandemic storm? How?