

Luke 19:28-44

The Triumphal Entry

Scripture: Luke 19:28-44

Memory Verse: Luke 19:38 *“Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”*

Lesson Focus: We will “enter” back into the gospel of Luke with the story of the so-called “triumphal entry” of Jesus into Jerusalem. Since we have not been in Luke for many weeks, we will begin with a short video and Kahoot quiz that we hope will better launch us into the final chapters of Luke’s gospel.

Activities and Crafts: Triumphal Entry Coloring Picture, Word Search of different terms from lesson, Bring it Home Discussion for 3rd – 5th.
Craft for 1st/2nd Grade: Jesus Entering the City Craft

Starter Activity: Luke Video Kahoot

We will keep all of the kids in the Summit Room immediately after worship for a video and a corresponding Kahoot Quiz game. It has been several weeks since we have been in the gospel of Luke so this video and quiz game should help us get ready for the Passion narrative which we will begin with this lesson. *

Teachers: For the Kahoot, you will need to have a smartphone with you. The phone is how you will interface with the game. The questions will be put up on the screen and the answers will be multiple choice answers that you will enter through your phone. It is really fun and should lead us perfectly into our Bible lesson. Work together with the kids on your answers. This weekend we will have Jr High volunteers in each class and they can certainly help you with the Kahoot! **We will have candy for the winning team!** *

Afterwards, we will transition into the lesson with a little discussion and then dismiss the 1st/2nd graders back to their classes for a shortened lesson.

The last question of our quiz sets us up for our lesson and the rest of our study of the gospel of Luke.

Q: Where was Jesus headed where He would face the “ultimate rejection”? A: Jerusalem!

Jesus had told His disciples many times about this (**Luke 18:31-34**). This was part of His mission as it would fulfill many prophecies from the Old Testament. But we also learned in **Luke 19:10** that His mission was to seek and to save the lost. As He now enters Jerusalem, both missions come together for their completion. Let’s take a look!

Bible Study:

Luke 19:28: While we just celebrated resurrection Sunday (or Easter) earlier this month, this long-awaited entry into Jerusalem happened the Sunday before the resurrection.

Q: Anyone know what that day is commonly called? A: Palm Sunday!

Luke 19:29-31: Jesus picks two of His disciples and assigns a curious task to them. *

Luke 19:32: I can imagine these two disciples were a little puzzled by this, but they found everything exactly how Jesus described it!

Luke 19:33-34: But then the owners of the colt object! Yet again, as the disciples followed Jesus's instructions, the owners responded exactly how Jesus said they would! *

Luke 19:35-36: Jesus is now making His official entry into the city on this young donkey. This might not seem like a big deal, except that this was prophesied almost 500 years before hand!

Read Zechariah 9:9. WHOA! Let's pause and consider how amazing it is that Jesus is fulfilling this ancient prophecy. *

(Teachers: Consider picking a child in your class and have them come up next to you and ask them to tell you what color car they came in to church in today. Then imagine or pretend that 500 years ago, before there were smartphones, cars, or even America itself someone wrote in a book, "*Behold RMC, ____ is coming to you today in a ____ car*". And here you are!) There are many, many prophecies like this about Jesus that He actually fulfilled proving that He was the Son of God! *

Luke 19:37-38: As Jesus continues His entry He is greeted by a huge multitude of people who are gladly receiving them as their King. *

Q: How many of you have been to a pro sports game at a stadium? What happens when the "hometown" team comes out? The crowd chants/celebrates the arrival of their team!

Well, in the same way these people used this chant from **Psalm 118:26** and by saying this they identified Jesus as their "hometown" Messiah King! **(Teachers:** Consider acting out this scene a little bit with some volunteers. Pick one of your Jr High helpers to be the colt and a boy in the class to be Jesus. Grab some kids' coats or some fabric from the resource room. Then have a few kids form two lines to lay the fabric/coats down. As "the donkey" walks out with "Jesus" on its back, have all of the kids chant, "*Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!*")

Luke 19:39: But not everyone is joining in the celebration. The always fussy Pharisees command Jesus to end the party.

Luke 19:40: But then Jesus says something epic. Even if the people did stop praising Him, the rocks would cry out in praise! Why? Because this was God's will and plan! **NOTHING** can stop God from having His only Son enter Jerusalem with praise, just as was prophesied!

Luke 19:41: Now you'd think that this was a great moment for Jesus. His popularity was at its highest, He had fulfilled this ancient prophecy about entering the city to praises on the colt, and the people were gladly receiving Him as their King.

Q: But what did Jesus do? A: He started weeping/mourning! *

Luke 19:42-44: Jesus tells us why. Despite all of the praise and celebration, He knew that they did not understand who He was or His mission. For they were expecting an earthly King to rule, reign, and restore their national fame. But remember what Jesus said back in **Luke 18:31-33!**

Q: What did Jesus say awaited Him in Jerusalem? A: Suffering, death, and resurrection! All prophesied! This was God's plan to seek and save the lost! (**Luke 19:10**)

Key Point: Only by Jesus's death and resurrection could lost sinners like you and me be saved.

A few minutes ago we talked about going to pro sports games and cheering and chanting for your team as they come onto the field at the beginning of the game.

Q: But what happens when the hometown team gets blown out and loses the game?

A: The crowds turn on them and "BOO" them! This is exactly what we will see these people praising Jesus do when they realize He is not the King they were expecting!

Instead, let us **continuously** praise and thank Jesus for His amazing sacrifice for us! If we are to chant, "*Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord*", let's actually honor and bless Jesus this week with hearts that love Him and love others.

BRING IT HOME

Read Zechariah 9:9
How was this
prophecy fulfilled?

Parent Signature: _____

Parent Challenge:
Describe how Jesus made
His final entry into
Jerusalem!

Read Luke 19:41-44
Why was Jesus so sad?

