Lesson 70: Jesus Enters Jerusalem Mark 11:1-11

Youtube Link: https://youtu.be/J3oBnGS41zA

Children's Bible Story Video: https://youtu.be/sm_Ra5igl_o

Worship Theme: Jesus is our king.

Memory Verse:

"On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: King of kings and Lord of the lords." (Rev. 19:16)

Songs (Youtube links):

- King of kings https://youtu.be/CPBqHYVwm3M
- Hosanna in the Highest https://youtu.be/QWQ47zCVaCw
- 3. Jesus Christ is Lord of All https://youtu.be/I-PzUIJ0MVo

Pray

Song: Select songs from the list above.

Icebreaker: "King, Queen, Servant"

- 1. Ask the children to find a partner (boy with boy and girl with girl).
- 2. When the teacher says "king," the children will quickly decide who'll be the king and the servant. Then servant will bow on the ground, and the king will sit on his back.
- 3. When the teachers says "queen," one child will be the servant and bow on the ground, and the other child will put their knee on the servant's back.
- 4. When the teacher says "servant," they have to quickly carry the other child on their back
- 5. The group that did not follow the direction loses the game.

Introduction:

Short Performance: (Teachers, please gather palm leaves for the children before the class.) Ask the children to use their jacket or cardigan (if they have) to cover the floor and make a road. Ask the children to stand in two lines, facing each other with the and hold the coconut branch and shout "Hosanna! Jesus is King!"

A week before the death and resurrection of Jesus, he entered Jerusalem. As Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey, the people recognized Jesus as the Messiah with shouts of praise. We call this the Palm Sunday. Today we will learn about how people rejoiced as Jesus entered Jerusalem.

Bible Story:

One day, Jesus and his disciples were walking to Jerusalem. Just before they got there, Jesus spoke to two of his disciples. He gave them some strange instructions. He said, "Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly."" (Mark 11:2-3)

Jesus' disciples obeyed. They went into a village, found a donkey colt, and untied it. While they were following Jesus' instructions, somebody asked them why they were taking the colt. The disciples told the people that Jesus needed the colt. The people agreed that Jesus could take the colt, so the disciples took it to Jesus.

The disciples put their coats on the colt's back so Jesus would have a comfortable seat. Jesus climbed on and began to ride the donkey into town! The people were so happy to see Jesus that they covered the road with their coats. Some people cut palm branches from the fields and covered the road with those.

Jesus rode the donkey over the path the people had made. As he did, people walked in front of him and behind him, yelling:

"Hosanna!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

"Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!"

"Hosanna in the highest heaven!" (Mark 11:9-10)

"Hosanna" is a bible praise word asking God to save us. They knew that Jesus was an important king, so they praised and worshiped him. Is Jesus an important king in your life? Jesus came to us as the king of kings! We need to praise and worship him as the king!

Questions to discuss:

- 1. What city was Jesus entering with his disciples? (Jerusalem)
- 2. What animal did he ride on? (donkey)
- 3. What did the people do? (covered the road with their coats and palm branches; they shouted "Hosanna")
- 4. Why did the people praise and worship Jesus? (they knew he was a king)
- 5. Who is Jesus to you? (Jesus is my king!)

Game:

- 1. Ask the children to find a partner (boy with boy and girl with girl)
- 2. Their goal is to crawl to the end of the classroom while carrying their partner on their back.
- 3. When the teacher shouts, "Ready, get set, go!" they will need to crawl to the end of the classroom and then crawl back to the starting position. The group that reaches the goal first will win.
- 4. After the game, teacher will explain that Jesus is our king and that we need to always humble ourselves before Jesus while caring for other people.

Memory Verse:

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Craft: Palm Sunday Coloring Page

Song: Select songs from the list above

Pray

Teacher's Devotion (Please read before you get ready to teach the students.) It's easy to develop a complacent attitude about faith where you are not excited about Jesus. Yet in today's bible story, the crowds honored Jesus with excited public displays of worship. What can you do to break free of complacency? How will you express an excited worship for Jesus this week? Pray about actions you can take or words you can say this week to honor Jesus as the Messiah as you prepare to teach the children..

People Rejoice as Jesus Enters Jerusalem!

