

The Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem

(St Matthew 21:1–11)

As Jesus and his disciples approached Jerusalem, they came to Bethphage at the Mount of Olives. There Jesus sent two of the disciples on ahead with these instructions: “Go to the village there ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied up with her colt beside her. Untie them and bring them to me. And if anyone says anything, tell him, ‘The Master needs them’; and then he will let them go at once.”

This happened in order to make come true what the prophet had said:

“Tell the city of Zion,

Look, your king is coming to you!

He is humble and rides on a donkey

and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”



So the disciples went and did what Jesus

had told them to do: they brought the donkey and the colt, threw their cloaks over

them, and Jesus got on. A large crowd of people spread their cloaks on the road while

others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds walking

in front of Jesus and those walking behind began to shout, “Praise to David's Son! God


bless him who comes in the name of the Lord! Praise be to God!”



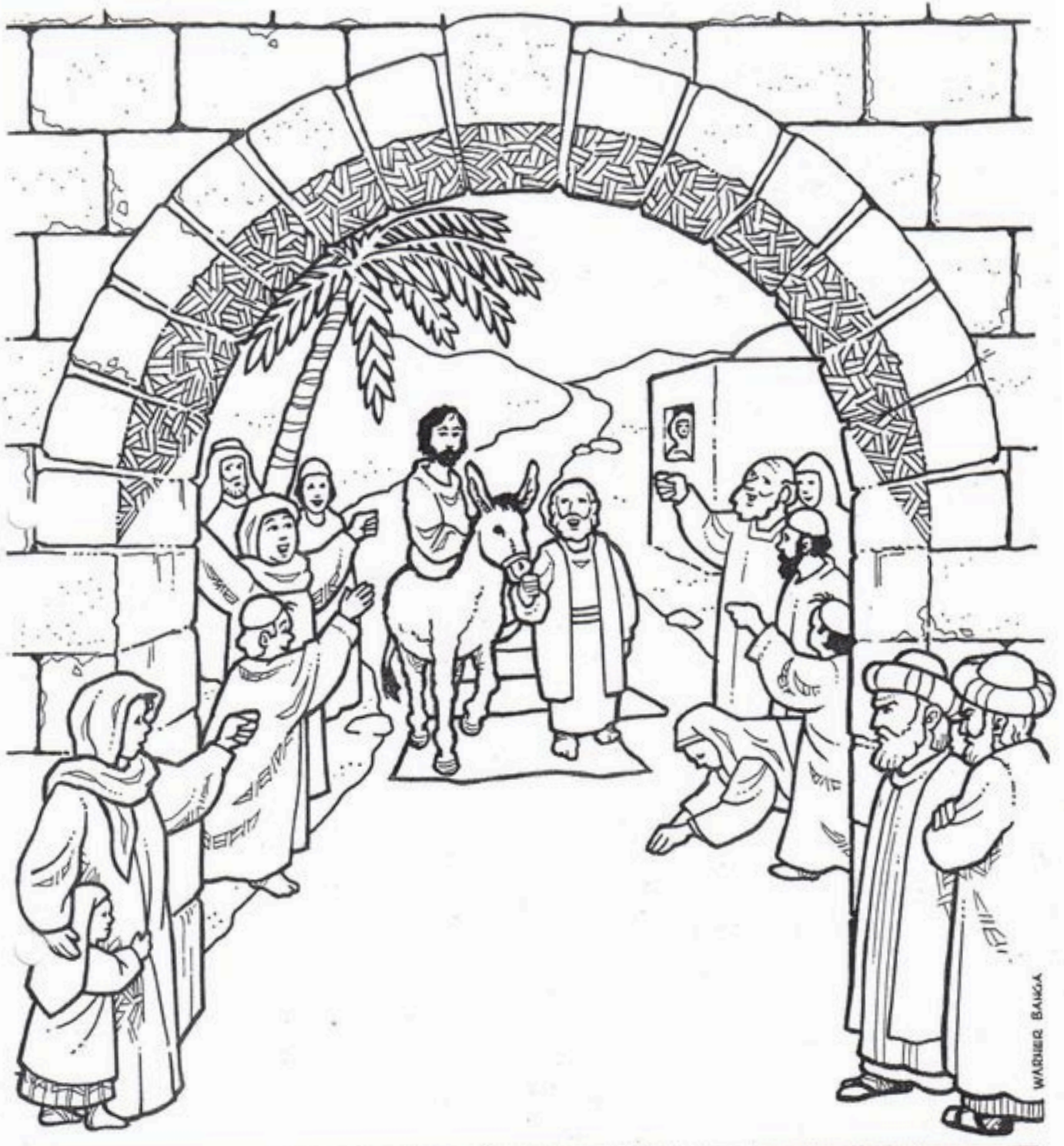
When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was thrown into an uproar. “Who is he?” the people asked.

“This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth in Galilee,” the crowds answered.

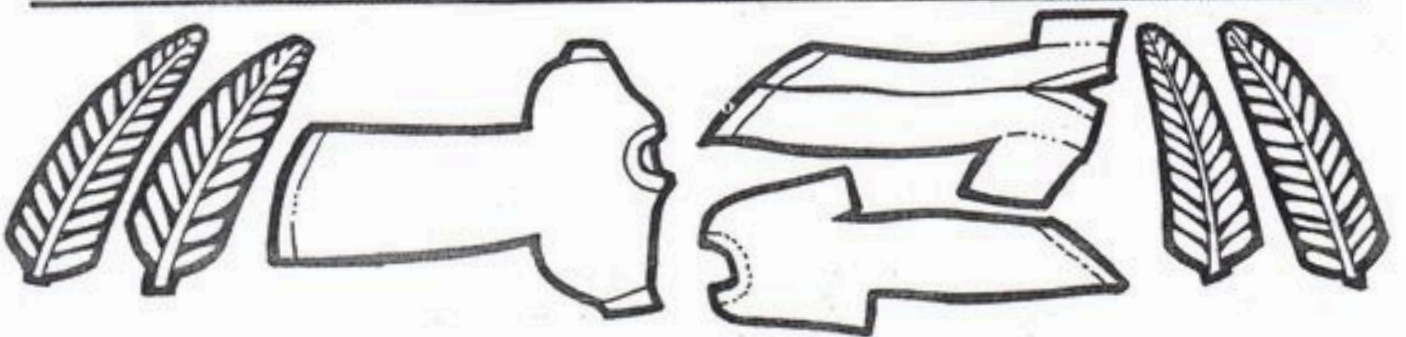
Understanding the Story:

1. Zion is another name for which city?
2. Who is David? Why is Jesus called “David’s Son”? (hint: )
3. Jesus entered the city riding on a _____. Normally a king would ride into a city on a horse, a symbol of war. Instead Jesus enters the city on an animal that represents peace. In the Bible the Prophet Isaiah says that when the Messiah (Jesus) comes into the world he will be called “the Prince of Peace.”
4. Not everyone was happy about Jesus’ entry into the city. The Pharisees often argued with Jesus and disagreed with His teachings. They did not like the fact that many people believed that Jesus is the Son of God. Can you spot some unhappy Pharisees in the picture on the next page?
5. Colour the picture on the next page. Cut out the palm branches and clothing and add them to the picture or colour in your own:

Palm Sunday



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Practice pronouncing each word you find!

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Q G W C M D S Y B J G O D D N J F R
Q S D V P A I V B J E Y H E I I K P
V C G O B H S S N R N R Z K Z I Q A
E R K M N E W T C G A P U I N V U L
G O I M A K T S E I C N R S O L P M
P W N U O T E H R R P D C O A N G S
R D G S B U T Y P K Z L A H P L I M
A U F K K I N H Z H Q O E V E H E X
I Q B I B L E T E X A D K S I S E M
S T M L J E S U S W Q G B E J D X T
E L L C L O A K S V H D E P B E N Y
J W N V D D G Y D B G O S P E L T A

Find the following words in the puzzle.

Words are hidden → ↓ and ↘ .

BETHPHAGE
BIBLE
BRANCHES
CLOAKS
CROWD
DAVID
DISCIPLES

DONKEY
GOD
GOSPEL
JERUSALEM
JESUS
KING
MASTER

MATTHEW
MOUNT
PALMS
PRAISE
PROPHET
ZION