

## The Triumphal Entry - March 21

**Parents:** Over 2,000 years ago Jesus received honor and praise from the crowds as He rode into Jerusalem on a donkey and a colt. Our King of kings continues to deserve our praise now and forevermore. Let's share this amazing Scripture with our children and be intentional about praising the Lord together.



### Read: Matthew 21: 1-11 Jesus Comes to Jerusalem as King

1 As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, 2 saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. 3 If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away." 4 This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:

5 "Say to Daughter Zion,  
'See, your king comes to you,  
gentle and riding on a donkey,  
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'"

6 The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. 7 They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. 8 A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest heaven!" 10 When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" 11 The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

**Discuss:** As Jesus and his disciples were approaching Jerusalem how did Jesus know the disciples would find the donkey and her colt? *Jesus, the Son, is all-powerful and all-knowing just as God, the Father.*

In the Old Testament, written long ago, we read in Zechariah 9:9, "Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey." Is Matthew in the Old or New Testament? *That's right, the New Testament. How amazing to see Jesus fulfill promises recorded in the Bible!*

What did the large crowds do as Jesus passed by riding on the donkey and colt? *They put their cloaks and palm branches on the road. They surrounded Jesus shouting praises as He entered Jerusalem.* Did everyone get treated like that as they came into the city? *No. This was the treatment only royalty would get. Jesus was praised like the King He is.*

### Key Point: We Worship Jesus The King

We Worship (Put both hands up and pump arms)

Jesus The King (Tap 1 finger in the middle of the opposite palm,  
take 2 hands and pretend to place a crown on head)

**Family Activity:** We **thank** the Lord for what He does or provides. We **praise** the Lord for who He is! One of the many ways we can praise Him is to write down the character and qualities that come to mind. Print the page below and fill it with words that describe the Lord.

**Prayer:** Dear God, We praise You for Your wisdom, majesty, and power. Thanks for sending Jesus, the King of kings, to die on the cross to save us from our sins. Help us continue to give You the praise that You so rightly deserve. We love You. Amen.

**Next Steps:** Matthew 21:9 - The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted. "Hosanna to the Son of David!" Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

**Comforter**

**Son of God**

**Lord of Lords**

**The Lamb Redeemer King of kings**

**J E S U S C H R I S T**

**Good Shepherd Wonderful Counselor**

**Great I AM**

**The Way**

**Messiah**

**Protector**

**Son of God**

**Anointed**

**Eternal One**

**Prince of Peace**

**Ultimate Provider**

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