

BIBLE STUDIES FOR LIFE®

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Unit 1, Session 7

CONNECTION POINT:

Jesus offers us the hope of a new life.

THE BIBLE MEETS

LIFE: The moment we are born, our physical bodies are on a road that leads to death. We can eat right, exercise, and make healthy choices, but our bodies still wear out and die. A physical death, though, does not need to mean the end of life. Jesus offers us a life that never ends. He is the resurrection, and He offers us a resurrected life.

LIVE IT OUT: Your student has been encouraged to take practical steps to live out his or her faith.

FAMILY CONNECTION

Use these discussion starters to help foster a spiritual conversation with your family.

PRESCHOOL

Scripture: Matthew 21:1-11; Mark 11:1-11

Live It Out: Find pictures of Bible stories about Jesus in a Bible. Look at the pictures with your child. Ask her to remember what Jesus did. Say the Weekly Verse with her.

On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus sent two disciples to the next village. He said, "Find a donkey and her colt there. Untie them and bring them to Me."

The disciples found the donkeys and brought them to Jesus. The disciples laid their coats on the young donkey's back. Jesus sat on the donkey and rode him into Jerusalem.

Many people saw Jesus. Some of them spread their coats on the road, and others cut leafy branches from trees and placed them on the road.

The people knew Jesus was special. As He rode by, the people shouted, "Hosanna! Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna!"

Some people in the crowd asked, "Who is this?" Jesus' followers replied, "This is Jesus from Nazareth."

KIDS

Scripture: Matthew 21:1-11; Mark 11:1-11

Live It Out: Help your child remember today's Bible story and recall how Jesus entered Jerusalem. Jesus entered as a king, and people recognized Him as a special person.

Near Jerusalem, Jesus instructed two disciples to go into the village and find a donkey and her young colt which no one had ever sat on, and bring them to Jesus. "If anyone asks what you are doing, tell them the Lord needs them."

They brought the donkeys to Jesus, put their clothes on the young donkey's back, and Jesus sat on it.

Men, women, and children wanted to see Him. Some spread their clothes on the road. Others cut leafy palm branches to spread them on the road.

The crowd shouted, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

When Jesus entered the city of Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up. People asked, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth!"

STUDENTS

Scripture: John 11:25-44

- When have you felt desperate for Jesus's help?
- Why is it so important that our confession and our lifestyle are in alignment?
- What steps will you take to put yourself in the position to experience Jesus's power in your life?

Live It Out: Jesus died on the cross as the price for the sins of the world, and because death had no claim on Him, Jesus rose from the grave. For those who trust in Jesus for salvation, we share in His resurrection.

Just before Jesus raised Lazarus from the grave, He offered a prayer of gratitude to the Father, knowing His prayers were heard. Jesus raised Lazarus physically back to life, but He also brings people spiritually back to life. Discuss as a family where you see signs of life in your church. Have you witnessed professions of faith, baptisms, people repenting of sin, or people growing in maturity?