

MEDITATION 6: IN THE LIGHT OF GLORY

Take a moment and read JOHN 12:12-16.

Picture this: crowds of people descend on a town—excited, curious, ready for something to happen. Without a phone, the only way to find your friends is with your eyes; the only way to spread news is by talking to people around you.

This is the kind of excitement in Jerusalem leading up to the Passover holiday. There's something special in the air. Jesus' disciples are caught up in the moment, in the crowd, in a chain of events they don't understand. Things are happening fast!

From Palm Sunday onward, Jesus' disciples are swept along on a roller coaster ride. A high: Jesus is recognized and praised as king. A low: their friendships are broken at the Last Supper, leading to Jesus' arrest and death. And then, the biggest high: Jesus is risen and returns, in glory!

And in the light of that glory **things make sense**. The disciples realize that God's plan had been playing out like a movie before their eyes, but they couldn't understand what it meant. Until glory.

Sometimes we're all caught up in things we can't understand. Our happiest days can be followed by disappointment. When that happens to you, remember Palm Sunday, and picture yourself among the disciples. God's plan is unfolding all around us—and his glory will ultimately be revealed.

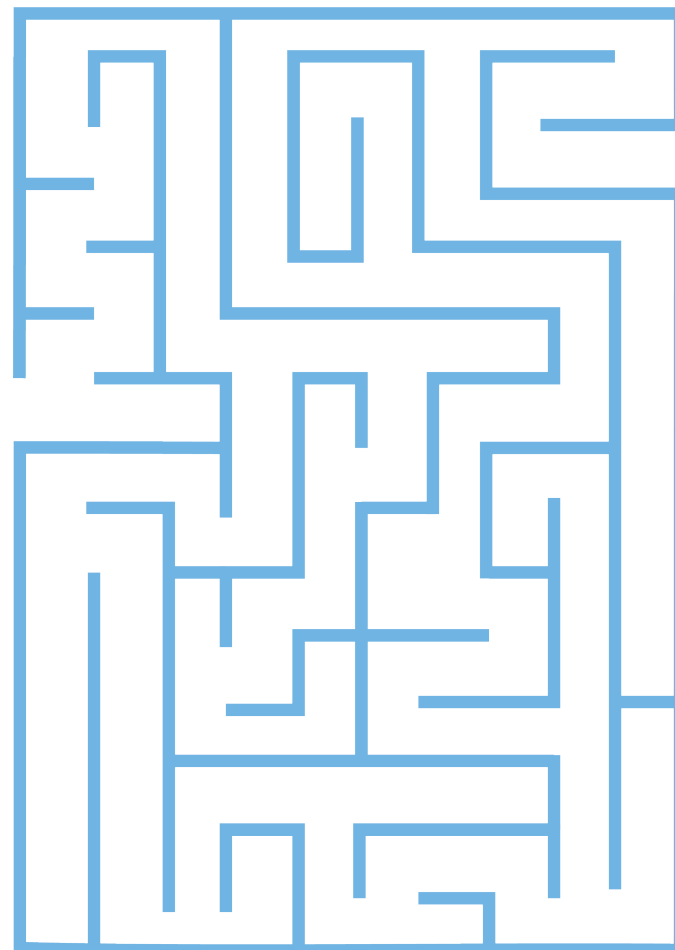
Today: Can you think of a time when you couldn't understand what God was doing—but later, things made more sense? Are you experiencing disappointment or frustration in a situation you can't control or understand?

Remember these words from the passage above: "Do not be afraid... see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey's colt."



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Help the donkey find his way to Jesus.



They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them.
MATTHEW 21:7

