

NEXT STEPS

Palm Sunday reminds us that Jesus is both King and Savior—but before He wore the crown, He carried the cross.

Take a moment to reflect on these questions:

- Where do you need to shift your understanding of Jesus—from what you want Him to do to what He has already done for you?
- Is there an area of your life where you need to fully trust Him as Savior, not just acknowledge Him as King?
- What is one practical step you can take this week to reflect on the cross and respond to the grace of Jesus?

PALM SUNDAY



SAVE US NOW... FROM OURSELVES

PRAYER REQUESTS

Who or what can you be praying for this week?

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Talk It Over Questions

For the week of March 29, 2026

Save Us Now... From Ourselves

Matthew 21:1-9; Zechariah 9:9

QUICK REVIEW

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or something that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

MY STORY

The crowd on Palm Sunday had real expectations about Jesus—but their understanding was incomplete. They wanted a King who would fix their circumstances, not a Savior who would deal with their sin.

In what ways do we sometimes come to God with expectations of what He should do for us, rather than trusting Him for what we truly need?

The people shouted "Hosanna," meaning "Save us now," but they were thinking about political rescue rather than spiritual redemption.

Why is it easy for us to focus more on temporary or external problems rather than our deeper spiritual need for salvation?

The crowd praised Jesus as King, but many would later turn away when He didn't meet their expectations.

What are some ways our faith can be influenced by whether or not God meets our expectations?

DIGGING DEEPER

Read Matthew 21:1-9

Jesus intentionally rode into Jerusalem on a donkey, fulfilling prophecy and showing that He came in humility and peace—not as a conquering warrior.

What does Jesus' choice to enter on a donkey teach us about His character and the kind of King He is?

Read Luke 19:10 and Romans 3:23

Jesus came "to seek and to save the lost," and Scripture makes it clear that all of us fall into that category.

Why is it important to recognize our own need for salvation before we can truly understand who Jesus is?

Read John 1:29

John the Baptist calls Jesus "the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world," pointing to the sacrificial system and its fulfillment in Christ.

How does understanding Jesus as the sacrificial Lamb deepen your appreciation for what He accomplished on the cross?

Read Isaiah 53:5-6

Jesus did not just die as an example—He died as a substitute, taking our sin upon Himself.

What does it mean personally that Jesus took your place and bore your sin on the cross?

Read Psalm 103:12

Jesus not only paid for our sin, but He also removed it completely—like the scapegoat carrying sin away.

How does the truth that your sin has been fully removed impact the way you live and relate to God today?