

# Journal Page

Write about a time something happened in a way you didn't expect. Did the situation turn out better or worse in the end?



## FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS

- What kind of King did the people expect Jesus to be?
- What kind of King is Jesus?



## Jesus' Triumphal Entry

Matthew 21:1-17; Mark 11:1-11; Luke 19:28-44; John 12:12-19

**MAIN POINT: PEOPLE WELCOMED JESUS TO JERUSALEM AS THEIR KING.**

It was time to celebrate Passover. Jesus and His disciples traveled to Jerusalem. When they neared Bethphage and Bethany, Jesus sent two of His disciples ahead into a village. "As soon as you enter the village," Jesus told them, "you will find a young donkey tied there. Untie it and bring it here."

The disciples did as Jesus asked. They brought the donkey to Jesus, threw their robes onto the donkey, and helped Jesus get on it. People spread their robes along the road, and others spread palm branches cut from the fields.

The whole crowd of the disciples praised God. "The King who comes in the name of the Lord is the blessed One. Hosanna!"

While Jesus was in the temple complex, people who were blind and people who were lame came to Him. Jesus healed them.

*Christ Connection: During Jesus' triumphal entry, the people welcomed Him as King. Jesus was the Messiah spoken about by the prophet Zechariah: "Look, your King is coming to you; He is righteous and victorious, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey" (Zechariah 9:9). One day, Jesus will return to earth on a white horse as King over everything. (Revelation 19:11)*

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## Palm Branch Crossing

Find the path for Jesus to follow into Jerusalem. You may only travel across palm branches that match.



## Make the Connection

Choose the correct words to find in the blanks and complete the Christ connection.

During \_\_\_\_\_ ( **Jesus' / John's** ) triumphal entry, the people welcome Him as \_\_\_\_\_ . ( **president / King** )

Jesus was the \_\_\_\_\_ ( **Messiah / messenger** ) spoken about by the prophet \_\_\_\_\_ ( **Jonah / Zechariah** ) :

“ \_\_\_\_\_ , ( **Listen / Look** ) your King is coming to you; He is righteous and \_\_\_\_\_ , ( **victorious / defeated** )

humble and riding on a \_\_\_\_\_ ( **horse / donkey** ), on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

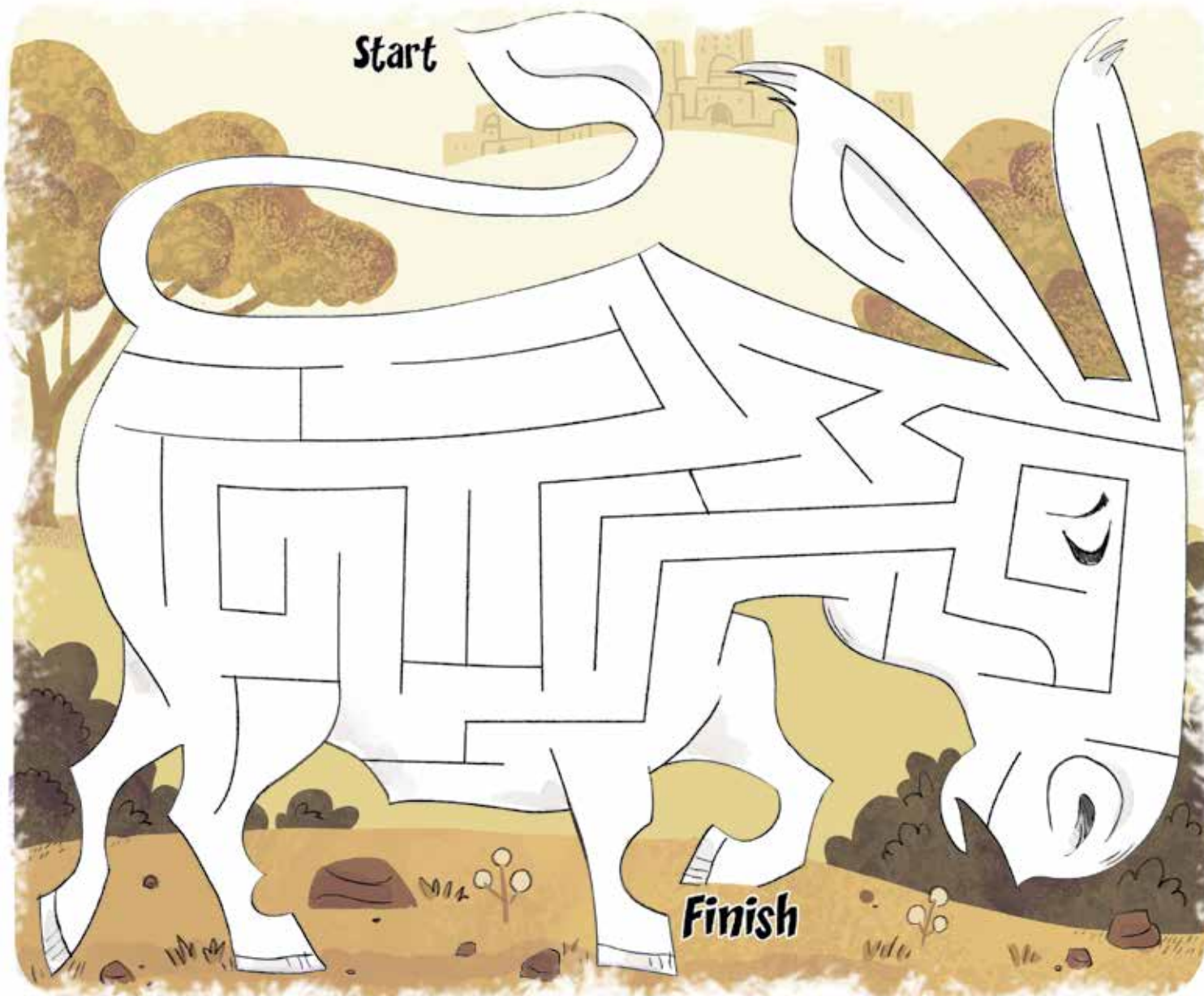
One day, Jesus will return to \_\_\_\_\_ ( **heaven / earth** ) on a \_\_\_\_\_ ( **brown / white** ) horse

as King over \_\_\_\_\_ ( **the oceans / everything** ).

# Journey to Jerusalem

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**INSTRUCTIONS:** Complete the maze to remember that Jesus rode a donkey to get to Jerusalem.



**KEY PASSAGE:** Romans 10:9

**BIG PICTURE QUESTION:**

- Who saves us from our sin?  
Only Jesus saves us from our sin.

**BIBLE STORY:**

**JESUS' TRIUMPHAL ENTRY**

- Jesus traveled to Jerusalem on a young donkey, just as Scripture prophesied.
- People welcomed Jesus to Jerusalem as their King.
- The religious leaders wanted people to stop praising Jesus.
- Jesus knew that He deserved their praise.

**FAMILY DISCUSSION STARTERS:**

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**FAMILY ACTIVITY:**

- Recruit your kids to help with yard work. Collect branches from the bushes or trees around your home and hold a mini parade, waving the branches. Take turns being the “guest of honor” and walking on the branches.

*Younger Kids Activity Pages*  
Unit 20, Session 1

