

Marinating in God's Word: Luke 19:28-44

We've worried that the Coronavirus shutdown will somehow sully Holy Week. But it's not just any King we celebrate. So we'll see as we consider his arrival in Jerusalem on Palm Sunday.

For further reflection on your own or in a small group, consider these questions:

- Each gospel tells of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, but each brings a different eye for details and emphases. For example, Luke has no mention of palms. What differences do you see? What does Luke emphasize?
- The people had awaited a Messiah for centuries, and the rumors were that Jesus might be the One. But they expected a military Messiah who would lead them to freedom as a nation. What shows that Jesus had something else in mind? How were the responses of the people right on? And how did they miss the mark?
- Luke's gospel is the only one that tells about Jesus' tears that day. What prompted the tears? How does that change your understanding of the event? What might prompt his tears today?
- This Coronavirus season seems an odd time for any celebration. But what might we celebrate with the King's coming on this Palm Sunday? How can we do so in a way that saves us from missing the time of our visitation?
- How does King Jesus enable us to live in a Holy Week when all around there is news about Coronavirus? How do both his triumph and his tears inform you as his servant this Holy Week?