

Adult Impact Study Sheet – March 24, 2024

Read **Luke 19:28-44**; if possible from several translations.
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Be sure to also read the other Gospel passages on the Triumphal Entry (Matthew 21:1-11; Mark 11:1-11; and John 12:12-19).

1. Read vv. 28-34. The specification that this be a colt **that has never been ridden** is significant in light of the ancient rule that only animals that had not been used for ordinary purposes were appropriate for sacred purposes (Numbers 19:2; Deuteronomy 21:3; 1 Samuel 6:7).¹ (*Note that Jesus promised to return the colt (Mark 11:3)*). Discuss that.
2. Why do you think the owners were so willing to let the disciples take the colt (and the colt's mother)? *Note: Such borrowing of an animal was not as strange as it may appear. There was an ancient custom by which a political or religious leader could commandeer property for short term use.*²
3. What was the purpose of the people casting their cloaks on the road in front of Jesus?
4. What was Jesus saying by entering Jerusalem as he did?
5. What do the words “the stones will cry out” in verse 4 indicate about creation's relationship and response to Jesus?
6. In Matthew's account of the Triumphal Entry (see Matthew 21:10) it says, “the whole city [Jerusalem] was shaken/stirred.” In Matthew 2:3 it says, “...King Herod...was deeply disturbed and all Jerusalem with him.” (Emphasis mine) Both happened at the announcement of Jesus coming. What was the difference?
7. Luke omits the Hebrew word Hosanna, which all three other Gospel writers use. What does Hosanna mean?
8. Read vv. 41-42. Only Luke recorded this lament by Jesus. In contrast to the great joy of the crowd, the man on the donkey began to cry at the sight of the city.³ Why did He weep?

Discuss v. 42 in light of John 12:37-40

¹ *Life Application New Testament Commentary*, 335

² *The Amplified Study Bible*, 1687

³ *Life Application New Testament Commentary*, 336