

Family Worship at Home – 28th March 2021

Palm Sunday

Introduction: Go outside and cut down a palm branch from your yard (if you have one – otherwise you can make a palm branch/leaf out of paper) Find the story of Palm Sunday in a picture Bible.

Say: Who likes to be told how good they are? We call that praising someone. We all do. **When Jesus lived on earth, some people praised him by waving palm branches and shouting, “Hosanna!” Do you think you can jump up and wave your palm branch every time I say hosanna? Let’s try it. Hosanna!** Encourage children to jump up, wave their palm branches, and then sit back down.

The people were excited; a parade was coming! This wasn’t just any parade—the celebration was for Jesus! Jesus was riding into Jerusalem on a donkey. As Jesus passed by, the people shouted, “Hosanna!” Pause for the children to react.

Many of the people knew that Jesus was a very special person. They thought he was special because he did so many good things and because they had been waiting for him to come for a long time. The people took off their coats and spread them on the ground for the donkey to walk on. Then they shouted, “Hosanna!” Pause for the waving of palm branches. **The people waved their palm branches and again shouted, “Hosanna!”** Pause for the children to react

Someone asked, “Who is that?” The people answered, “This is Jesus, who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna!” Pause for the children to react

Well done. Let’s listen to this story again, watch clip or read story from the Bible.

Story: [God's Story: Palm Sunday - YouTube](#)

Ask:

- **What do you think of the way the people celebrated Jesus?**
- **What can we do to celebrate Jesus?**

Say: **The people celebrated and praised Jesus because he was so special. We want to praise Jesus, too. Jesus deserves our praise.**

Songs: [Songs for Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter #1 Cloaks and Branches - YouTube](#)

[We Sing Hosanna :: Children's Easter Song :: Palm Sunday - YouTube](#)

[Yancy & Little Praise Party - Hosanna Rock \[OFFICIAL PRESCHOOL MUSIC VIDEO\] Palm Sunday Song - YouTube](#)

Prayer: On some palm leaf cut outs from paper write down some words we use to praise Jesus (words to describe Jesus). Use these words in a prayer thanking God for Jesus. Eg: Jesus you are forgiving and powerful. Jesus you are healing and miraculous. Thank you for loving us. Help us to love others too. Amen.

Activity: Print off Jesus entering Jerusalem spinning craft. Cut out. Cut the line under the people and attach Jesus on the donkey circle with a split pin. Children can retell the story using the spinning circle.

[Palm Sunday \(Luke 19\) | Craft 1 - Jesus Without Language \(jesus-without-language.net\)](http://jesus-without-language.net)

