



# Riding into Jerusalem

Mark 11:1-10

**Suggested setting:** The God of Wonders puppet scripts adapt to any setting such as a garden, forest, farm, or stable. Once or twice a year, a set change or addition to the set is recommended for added interest. Decorate with colorful flowers, butterflies, birds, and ladybugs. Puppets can pop out from behind a window, hedge, tree hollow, stonewall, etc. For a simple, portable puppet stage, puppets can pop up from behind a colorful blanket hung on a rod, or from behind a card table turned on its side. Adjust setting and puppet names according to available puppeteers and resources.

**Characters:** Delbert the Donkey and Lello the Lamb are good friends who are always excited to hear Bible stories about God. The Leader is the children's teacher or worship leader dressed in regular clothing or in costume consistent with the set (a gardener, forest ranger, etc.). The leader helps children focus on and leads group interaction with the puppets.

**Leader** (Stands at puppet window.)  
**It's time to call for Delbert and Lello.**  
**Repeat after me, "DehhhhhhI-bert, DehhhhhhI-bert!"** (Children repeat and Delbert the Donkey pops head out of a window.) **"Hellohhhhhhhhhh Lello!"** (Children repeat and Lello the Lamb pops out of a window.)

**Delbert**  
**Hee Haw! Let me hear your Hee Haw!**

**Leader and Children**  
**Hee Haw! Hi, Delbert. Hi, Lello.**

**Lello**  
**Yeah! (bleat) Hello, every-bahhh-dy.**

**Delbert**  
**Haw! I am so excited! Today we are learning about Palm Sunday.**

**Lello**  
**I never heard of Palm Sunday. What's that?**

**Leader**  
**It's special day when we celebrate the day when Jesus rode into the town of Jerusalem.**

**Delbert**  
**That's my favorite Bible story!**

**Lello**  
**Why Delbert?**

**Delbert**  
**Haw! Because there is a donkey in the story. And I am a donkey. Hee Haw!**

**Leader**  
**That's right, Delbert - there is a donkey. And Lello, do you know who was riding on that donkey?**

**Lello**  
**Was it Jesus?**

**Leader**  
**That's right, Lello.**

**Lello**

**Delbert, can you tell me the story?**

**Delbert**

**Sure. Jesus told two of His followers to go borrow a donkey for Him to ride. They did and Jesus rode it into town. People put their coats on the road to welcome Jesus.**

**Leader**

**They waved their palm branches to praise Him. And don't forget what they shouted as He rode by.**

**Lello**

**What did they shout?**

**Delbert**

**Hosanna! Can you all shout Hosanna with me? Ready? One, two, three. HOSANNA. (Children shout "Hosanna!" with Delbert.)**

**Leader**

**How wonderful! You all just praised Jesus like the people in Bible times.**

**Lello**

**Yeah, I love to praise Jesus.**

**Delbert**

**Haw! Lello, let's go find our animal friends and we can all praise the Lord together!**

**Lello**

**Yeah. (bleat) Maybe we can find some palm branches, too.**

**Delbert**

**Great idea, Lello! (To children.) See you soon!**

**Leader**

**Bye, Lello. Bye, Delbert.**

**Lello**

**Bah-bye every-bahhh-dy.**

**Delbert and Lello**

**Hosanna! Hosanna! (Fades out after Delbert and Lello have exited.)**