



At-A-Glance: Ages 8-9  
God of Wonders Part 1: Miracles of Jesus  
Unit 3, Lesson 13

## Riding into Jerusalem

**Lesson Aim:** To see that when Jesus is the Lord of our life, we can trust Him and give to Him whatever He asks of us.

### THE WELCOME

**MEET & GREET:** What is your favorite way to praise God?

**GAME:** Palm Branch Limbo

### THE WORSHIP JESUS AS LORD

Read Worship Scripture: Mark 11:8-9.

Sing songs and worship God.

Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Bonzai Brothers script or read storybook.

### THE WORD JESUS RODE INTO JERUSALEM ON A DONKEY

Children sign note cards; place in Golden Bowl. Classroom Covenant.

Review: Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead.

**The news of this miracle must have spread quickly. When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the crowd gathered to give Jesus the highest praise.** Point to Jerusalem. Reveal Bible Story Scripture Reference: Luke 19:28-42. Find It First. Highlight Key Verse: Luke 19:40. Pray. Read.

### THE WAY GIVE THE LORD WHATEVER HE ASKS OF YOU

**What did Jesus tell the disciples to say if asked why they were taking the donkey's colt?** ("The Lord needs it.") **What did the colt's owner do?** (Gave them the colt.) **Riding into Jerusalem on the colt was the way Jesus chose to build His kingdom. Because the owner trusted the Lord, he had a part in building God's kingdom.**

**The donkey would have been important to its owner. Does the Bible say the owner understood why Jesus needed his colt?** (No.) **What would you say if Jesus asked you for something important to you? Even if we do not understand why Jesus wants us to do something, it is important for us to trust and obey Him as the owner did. How do we find out what the Lord wants us to give Him?** (Read the Bible; listen to others who build God's kingdom.) **What are some examples of**

**things the Lord might want us to give Him?** (Time, best effort, talents, money, things, etc.)

**The crowd shouted, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord." What does the Hebrew word, "Hosanna," mean?** ("Save.") **Why did Jesus ride into Jerusalem?** (To save all who would believe in Him from the punishment for their sins.) **Why do you think Jesus wept as He saw Jerusalem? He was sad for He knew how hard life would be for those who refused to believe in Him.**

**Some people (Pharisees) told Jesus to rebuke His disciples and command them to be quiet. What did Jesus say would happen if His disciples had to stop praising Him?** ("The stones will cry out.")

### **CHRIST CONNECTION:**

**The truth about God will always be told. If people are unable to tell it, God will tell it through His creation. Over 1,300 years before Jesus explained the stones would cry out, Joshua showed the people a stone that would be a witness to the covenant promise they made with the Lord. Let's read about it together.** Reveal Joshua 24:25-27. Find It First. Highlight. Read.

**Where did Joshua set the stone?** (Under the oak tree near the Holy Place.) **What did Joshua say the stone would be?** (A witness.) **The stone would be a witness to the people about the covenant promise they had made with the Lord. Each time they saw the stone, the people would think about whether or not they had been true to their promise. Today's Treasure Treat is a stone, reminding you to praise the Lord and to be true to Him.**

**THE GOLDEN BOWL:** Pray for individuals. Pray the Lord's Prayer.

### **FINAL FIVE MINUTES:**

- TREASURE TREAT: Stone
- DAILY WAY CHALLENGE
- OFFERING OF ART: People praising Jesus as He rode into Jerusalem
- PRAYER REQUESTS
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

### GOT TIME?

**SNACK:** Praise Rocks

**GAME:** Pin the Tail on the Donkey

**CRAFT:** Palm Leaf Cross

**BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES:** "Sit on the Throne" Musical Chairs, Bible Memory Verse Bop

**BIBLE TIMELINE REVIEW**