

Bible Journaling Notes for Lent 6: Luke 19:28-44

Jesus' Triumphal Entry!



The Lectionary readings are from Mark's account but we are going to look at the story in Luke – as we celebrate Palm Sunday, what was it like to actually be there?

Read **Luke 19:28-44**

Picture the scene: the crowds have heard more and more about this 'teacher' from Galilee. News has arrived from Jericho that even Zacchaeus, the miserly Tax collector, has had a change of heart!

The disciples are trying to make arrangements according to Jesus' wishes, but at the same time they are confused. They have a vague feeling that something big is happening but they don't know what. Meanwhile the Pharisees are anxious about things getting out of hand and appeal to Jesus to give a rebuke that will calm everything down.

Imagine yourself at the scene. What do you see and think and feel? Hear the shouts, feel the breeze from the branches waving around, smell the donkey! Which characters do you identify with? Represent the scene on your page and note your thoughts and feelings.

The crowds had definite expectations of this new hero, just as we have expectations when we worship and pray. Death on a cross was certainly not what they had in mind at this point. How does this relate to your own expectations and experience of the Christian life? Journal some of your hopes, dreams, disappointments – and ask God for his reassurance. We have Holy Week ahead of us – there is more heartbreak to come. But do not lose hope. There is resurrection on the way...



Focus on Technique 6: Experiment

We've tried a few different techniques over the last few weeks. You're bound to have a couple of favourites. This week, pick a technique you really enjoyed and see what else you can do with it.

- Perhaps you could combine a couple of different techniques together?
- Or maybe you want to try a different colour palette? Try a vibrant mishmash or a subdued monochrome with just one accent colour.

Remember, this whole journal is about spending the time with your Creator; play with your creativity and be open to where it leads.