



SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

THIS WEEK: The Humble King - Luke 19:28-40, Zechariah 9:9-10

GETTING STARTED

- What is the closest you've ever been to a celebrity? What did you do or say? Was it a good experience or a bad experience?

QUESTIONS FROM THE PASSAGE (Luke 19:28-40)

- Steve mentioned that the simple phrase "He went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem" in vs. 28 is significant and points to Jesus' authority. In what ways does this point to Jesus' authority?
- Why do you think Jesus gave such cryptic instructions to the two disciples about where to find the donkey and what to say if they were challenged? (vs. 30-34)
- Why is a donkey a better symbol for Palm Sunday rather than a Palm Branch? (Luke 19:30-31)
- Why did Jesus need the donkey? How did he fulfill prophecy? (Zec 9:9-10)
- The laying down of a cloak was a sign of submission. The palm branch was a symbol of nationalism. What are some dangers to putting a political twist on your faith?
- Read Zechariah 9:9-10. What characteristics are we given of this king over whom the people should rejoice? How will this king come to the people according to v. 9? What does God promise he will do in v. 10?
- The Pharisees tell Jesus to rebuke His disciples and yet Jesus does not comply. Why is this significant? (vs. 39-40)

APPLICATION

- Jesus didn't meet the expectations of many of those in Jerusalem when He rode into town. Have you ever been disappointed when God didn't meet your expectations?
- What are you currently expecting from God?
- A king is someone who has authority to rule and reign over a group of people. If Jesus is the King over your life, where do you see His increasing rule? Or, how could you see His increasing rule in your life?
- Take time to pray for one another.