



GOSPEL | COMMUNITY | MISSION

April 5, 2020

Luke 19:28-48

“Praise the King of Peace”

QUESTIONS

(potential discussion/conversation questions to use in your GGs this week)

1. ICE-BREAKER: Pastor Tony mentioned that Jerusalem had the nickname “City of Peace”. He pointed out some modern examples as well (“Motor City”, “City of Brotherly Love”, “Sin City”, “Steel City”, “City of Oaks”).

a. What would be the nickname of your home over the past few weeks? House of _____. (Examples; house of boredom, house of laughter, house of prayers for patience.)

b. What would you like the nickname of your house to be over the next couple of months? (Examples; the prayerful house, the house of unity, the house of efficient work.)

2. Pastor Tony mentioned that many in our culture do not want to acknowledge Jesus for who he really is. Luke 19 shows that Jesus is gentle (riding toward Jerusalem on a donkey), sorrowful (weeping over the unbelief of the city), and severe (driving out those who had defiled the temple).

a. Which of these three traits have you most encountered people wanting to reject about Jesus? Why do you think that is?

b. Which of these traits has been the hardest for you to understand about Jesus? Which trait has been the most profound (or most helpful, sweetest, most encouraging, most challenging) once you understood it?

c. Why is it necessary to maintain all three in order to understand the Passion Week properly?

3. The progression of this text indicates that those who do not receive the gentleness of Jesus and accept him as their Savior and King will experience his severity. This fact caused Jesus to weep.

a. Do you think about unbelievers with this sense of earnestness? Does it make you weep, as it did Jesus?

b. What steps can we take to help cultivate a missional heart? What steps can we take to help us care deeply for those that are lost?

c. How can we invite others to follow Jesus and live missionally, even in this time of social isolation?

4. Pastor Tony taught that one application of Jesus sending his disciples to find the colt was to display that he was in control of the whole week. If Jesus was in control of (even) the week of his death, we can have confidence that he is in control today!

a. How does the fact that Jesus was not a victim help us view the upcoming holy days (especially Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter) properly?

b. How is the fact that Jesus is in control comforting, especially right now?