

For the week of March 20, 2016
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What Kind of Kingdom?

Palm Sunday

Mark 11:1-11

As we begin Holy Week, the re-enactment of Jesus' last week on earth, we remember the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem. Mark's gospel records the crowd celebrating the "coming kingdom of our father David." We've spent a lot of time thinking about David as king, but what kind of a kingdom does he rule over? As we consider this scene in Jerusalem, we'll think about the kinds of kingdoms that we're a part of, the kind of kingdom we wish for, and the kind of kingdom that Jesus is actually establishing in the world.

Discussion Questions:

1. What kind of kingdoms are you a part of? Social, professional, family, local, political, academic? What characterizes each of those kingdoms?
2. What kind of kingdoms do you wish for? What about your current life do you want to be different? What do you want out of life?
3. How do you understand the kingdom that Jesus is establishing on earth? What is surprising about it to you?
4. How can you live more fully aware that you are part of the kingdom of God in your daily life?