



# TEACHING GUIDE - PRESCHOOL & VSN

Monthly Theme: Galactic Glow - Shining the Light of Jesus

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## LESSON - JESUS IS OUR KING!

**Items Needed:** Palm leaves.

Good morning! Today, we will hear a special story about a very happy day called Palm Sunday. Are you ready to hear it? Let's begin!"

**Display Slide 2-1:** Jesus and His disciples were on their way to a city called Jerusalem.

**DO IT:** Can you pretend you are tired? **(Have the children yawn and stretch)**

Because they were tired, Jesus told two of His disciples to go find a donkey. They came back with the donkey; Jesus rode the rest of the way into the city.

**DO IT:** Can everyone pretend to ride a donkey? Wiggle your hips and say, 'Hee-haw!'

**Display Slide 2-2:** When Jesus came into the city, the people were so happy to see Him! They knew He was the King. They waved big, leafy palm branches and shouted, 'Hosanna!' That means they were calling out, 'Jesus, you are our King!'"

**SAY IT:** Let's say that together, "Hosanna! Hosanna!"

**DO IT:** Let's all wave our palm branches **(If you have palm branches, have the kids wave them; if not, they will wave their hands like palm branches would move)** in the air, just as the people waved their palm branches for Jesus! **(Demonstrate by lifting your arms in the air and waving your arms and hands loosely from side to side)**. Great job!

**Display Slide 2-3:** While Jesus was in Jerusalem, He helped people in many ways. Jesus taught the people about God, and he even healed the sick. Wow! Jesus is our King! Can you say it? Jesus is our King!

**SAY IT:** Jesus is our King!

**PRAYER:** Dear Jesus, thank You for being our friend and King. We are so happy you came to us and filled our hearts with love and joy today. Please help us share your kindness with everyone we meet. Amen.

## LESSON QUESTIONS - 10 MINS

### 2 & 3YR OLDS

**Question 1:** Did Jesus ride into the city of Jerusalem on a donkey? **(Yes)**

**Question 2:** Did the people wave palm branches for Jesus? **(Yes)**

**Question 3:** Did Jesus ride a tiger into the city of Jerusalem? **(No)**

**Question 4:** Did the people shout "Hosanna!" when they saw Jesus? **(Yes)**

### 4YRS - 1ST GRADE

**Question 1:** Name the city Jesus was walking to. **(Jerusalem)**

**Question 2:** What did the people wave? **(Palms or Palm Leaves)**

**Question 3:** What word did the people shout? **(Hosanna)**

**Question 4:** Who is our King? **(Jesus)**



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## ACTIVITY 1 - HOSANNA HOT POTATO

**Items Needed:** Palm branch and music

**Connection:** Today, we learned that the people of Jerusalem used palm branches and shouted “Hosanna, Hosanna” as Jesus rode through the city. They were praising Jesus! Let’s play a game where we can practice shouting “Hosanna!” today.

**Step 1:** Gather children on the floor in a circle.

**Step 2:** Show them the palm branch and explain that we will play a passing game.

**Step 3:** As the music plays, they will pass the palm branch around, but when the music stops, whoever is holding it must shout, “HOSANNA, HOSANNA!”

**Note:** Repeat until everyone has a turn.

## ACTIVITY 2: PALM LEAF PARADE

**Items Needed:** Precut palm leaf coloring sheet and crayons. Glue dots/glue, popsicle sticks

**Connection:** Today, we learned Jesus rode on a donkey when He went to Jerusalem. As He rode by, the people waved palm leaves and shouted praises to Him. Let’s pretend to be the people of Jerusalem and wave palm leaves and shout praises today in class!

**Step 1:** Distribute the palm leaves and allow time to color or decorate with stickers.

**Step 2:** Gather children with the palm leaves they made during craft time.

**Step 3:** Have the children line up around the room with their crafts, making sure there is enough room between them.

**Step 4:** Next, assign a child or teacher to be Jesus. This person will gallop like a donkey to the middle of the room.

**Step 5:** Guide the children to wave their palm branches, then lay them down and shout “Hosanna, Hosanna” as Jesus gallops in.

## ACTIVITY 3: BUBBLE PARTY

**Items Needed:** Bubbles and music!

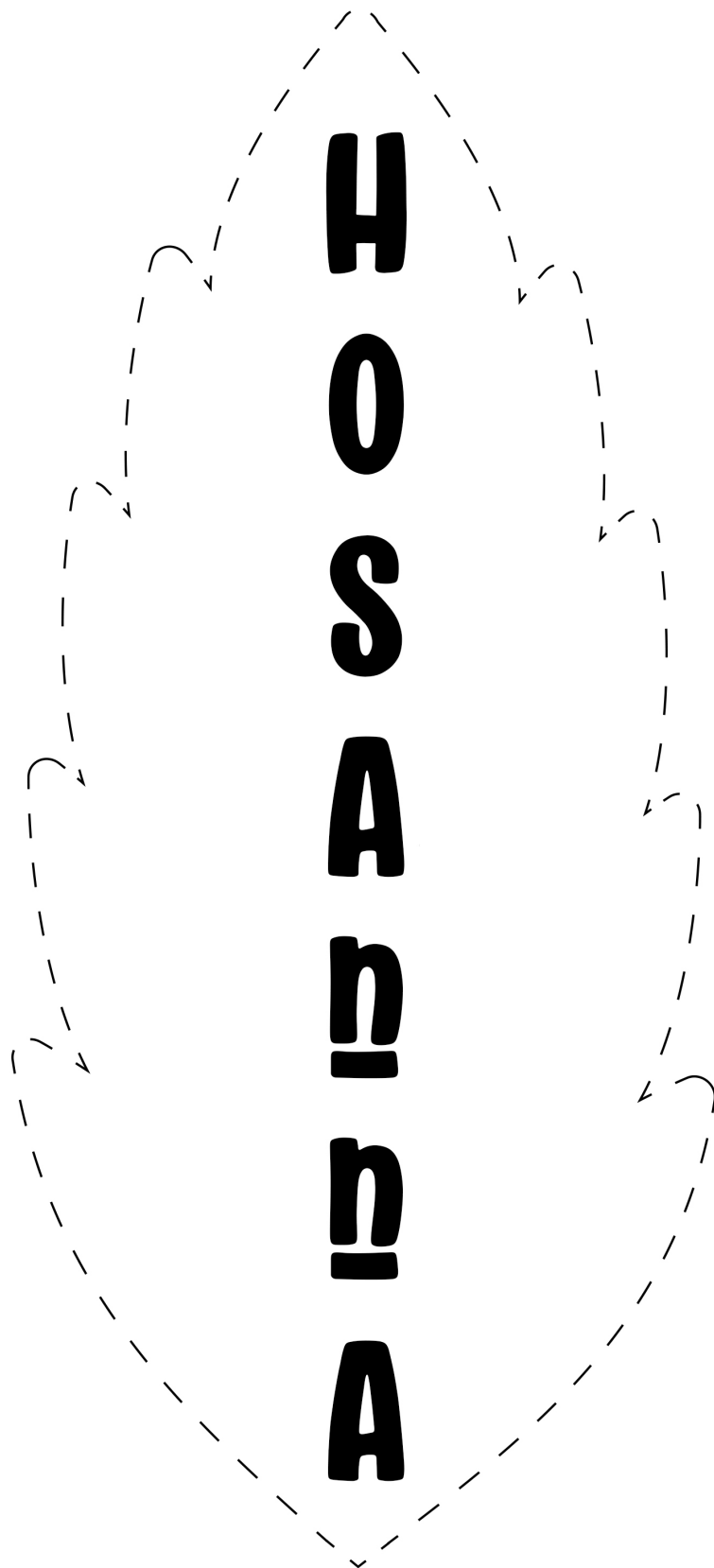
We’ve got some extra time today, so let’s spend it worshipping and dancing with bubbles!

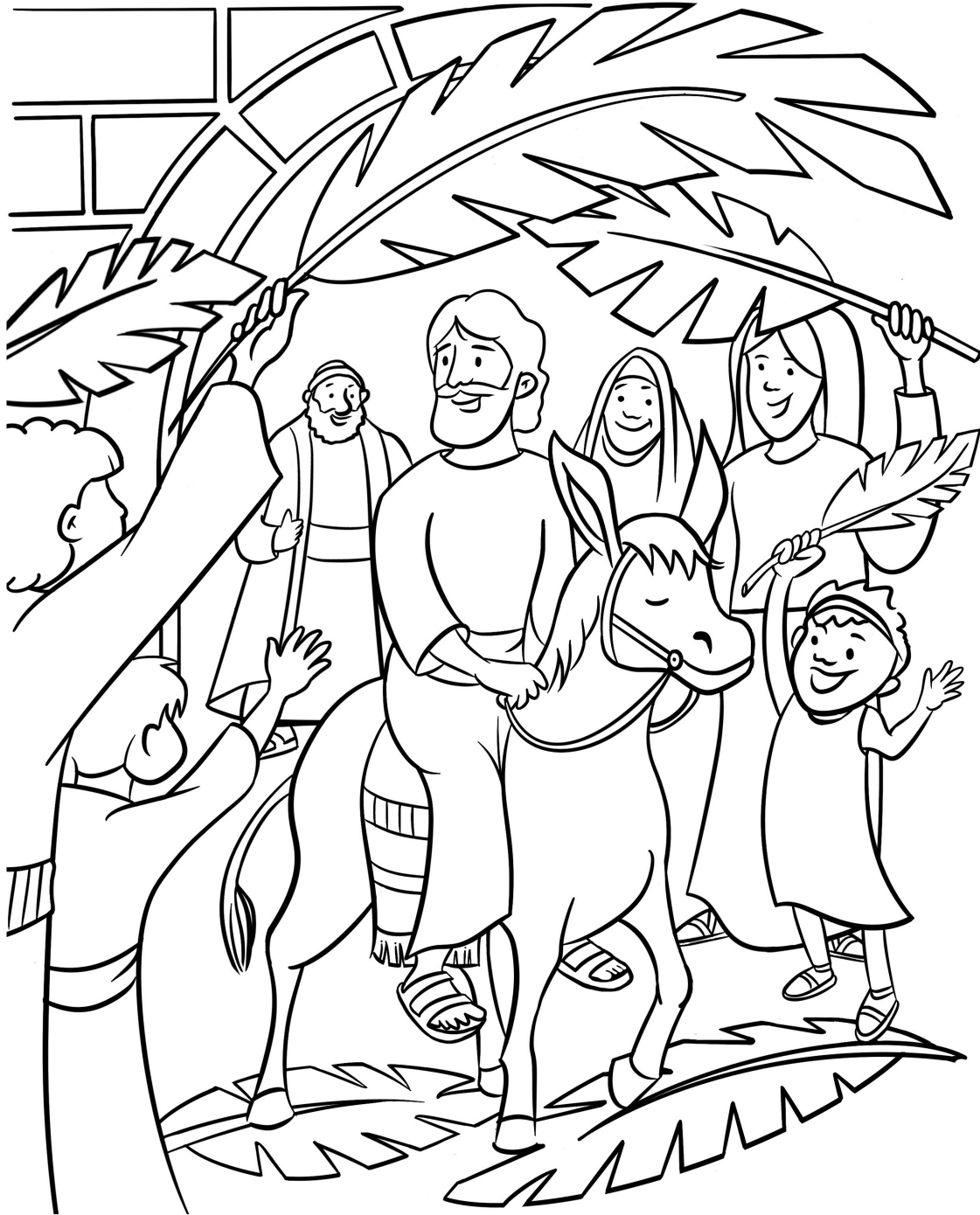
## COLORING SHEET: PALM SUNDAY

**Items Needed:** Coloring sheet and crayons.

**Connection:** Today, we learned what Palm Sunday is.

**Step 1:** Distribute the coloring sheets and allow time to color.





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They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting, "Hosanna!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Blessed is the king of Israel!" (John 12:12-13, Matthew 21:9, Mark 11:9-10)

Palm Sunday Bible Coloring Pages for Ages 4-10