



Under the Big Top: Incredible Bible Stories

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LESSON - JESUS IS OUR KING!

Good morning, Victory Kids! As you know we have been Under the Big Top, where we have been talking about some incredible Bible Stories. Well guess what? Today we're stepping away from The Big Top to talk about the Biggest Act of All! In fact, it's the greatest story of all times: the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus. But first, we will start with Palm Sunday! This is a very special time where people were filled with joy as they welcomed Jesus like the King entering center stage! Because Jesus Is Our King!

Display Slide 5-1: Jesus and His disciples were traveling to a big city called Jerusalem.

DO IT: Can you pretend you are tired from walking? (Yawn, stretch, and wipe your forehead.)

Jesus and His friends had been traveling a long way. When they got close to the city, Jesus asked two of His disciples to bring Him a donkey. When they came back, Jesus rode the donkey into the city.

DO IT: Let's pretend to ride a donkey! (Wiggle your hips and say, "Hee-haw!")

Display Slide 5-2: When Jesus came into the city, something amazing happened. The people were so excited to see Him! They knew Jesus was special. They welcomed Him like a King entering center stage under the Big Top!

The people waved palm branches and shouted, "Hosanna!" "Hosanna" means, "Save us!" and "You are our King!"

SAY IT: Let's say it together: "Hosanna! Hosanna!"

DO IT: Wave your palm branches high in the air! (If no palm branches, wave hands like big leaves.) Great job! Just like the crowd welcomed Jesus, we welcome Him too!

Display Slide 5-3: While Jesus was in Jerusalem, He helped many people. He taught them about God and showed kindness to everyone He met. Jesus cared for people and helped those who were sick.

Jesus is our King, and He loves us very much.

SAY IT: Jesus is our King!

PRAYER: Dear Jesus, Thank You for being our King and our friend. Thank You for loving us and caring for us. Help us show kindness and love to everyone we meet. We love You, Jesus. Amen.

LESSON QUESTIONS - 10 MINS

2 & 3YR OLDS

1. Did Jesus ride into the city of Jerusalem on a donkey? **Yes**
2. Did the people wave palm branches for Jesus? **Yes**
3. Did Jesus ride a tiger into the city of Jerusalem? **No**
4. Did the people shout "Hosanna!" when they saw Jesus? **Yes**

4YRS - 1ST GRADE (IF YOU HAVE 1ST GRADERS YOU CAN LET THEM BE YOUR HELPER).

1. Name the city Jesus was walking to? **Jerusalem**
2. What did the people wave? **Palms (or Palm Leaves)**
3. What word did the people shout? **Hosanna**
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’re going to 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: Silk palm leaves or 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 OR STORY TIME

Items Needed: Bubbles and music OR book basket

We’ve got some extra time today, so let’s spend it worshipping and dancing with bubbles or reading a book to the class (please show the pictures on each page).

PALM SUNDAY COLORING SHEET

Items Needed: Coloring sheet and crayons.

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

