

Life Application Questions

Introduction

- What are your favorite memories of Palm Sunday?
- Have you ever ridden a donkey? What's the closest animal you have ridden?

Clarification

- What do you think of when you think of a king? How does Jesus entering Jerusalem as a king of peace go against what was expected?
- Who are some political leaders we look to as national messiahs? Why do we consider them to be national messiahs and how do they differ from Jesus?
- What areas of politics most often intersect with our faith?
- What aspects of salvation (deliverance, rescue, spiritual life, eternal security, healing) resonate most with you? What do you expect to occur when you receive salvation?
- How might your evangelism change if you thought people were actually searching for Jesus? How might your evangelism change if you wanted to bring people closer to Jesus rather than our church, politics, mindset, or standards?

Application

- Of the three areas of application from the sermon (politics, salvation, and evangelism), which have you thought about the most? The least?
- For those same areas, in what ways do we need to realign ourselves with Jesus's expectations?
- What are some of the ways you treat people differently once you know if they are a Christian or not?
- We often think of God as meeting us where we are. How does our view of salvation change when we think of drawing closer to God instead?
- What do you think people who don't attend church think about Jesus? What specific conversations have you had?
- How would our conversations change if we sought peace rather than making a point or winning an argument?