



**DAY #1 – LESSON PLAN – “A NEW COLT”**

Bible Story – Luke 19:28-44 – The Triumphal Entry of Jesus into Jerusalem as the King

Memory Verse – Zechariah 9:9 *“Behold your king comes... riding... on a colt.”*

- **Jesus Went to Jerusalem**
  - The leaders in Jerusalem were planning to kill Jesus
  - Jesus knew this
  - Jesus also knew that it was His Father’s will (God’s will) that He would die there on the cross for our sins
  - Jesus decided to go to Jerusalem, even though He knew what would happen there.
- **Jesus Rode on a Young Colt**
  - On His way, Jesus sent His Disciples to a village to find a certain young colt
    - A donkey’s colt that had never been ridden before
  - The Disciples found the colt, just as Jesus had said
  - They brought it to Jesus
  - He rode the young colt of a donkey into Jerusalem
  - This was in fulfillment of the prophecy in Zechariah 9:9 *Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.* (NIV)
- **The People Welcomed Him as their King**
  - When Jesus rode into Jerusalem the people gathered and cheered for Him
  - They welcomed Him as their promised King!
  - His Disciples shouted, *“Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!”*
  - The leaders told Jesus to make His disciples be quiet!
  - Jesus replied *“if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”*
  - The people also cheered for Jesus!
- **Jesus Prophesied About Jerusalem**
  - Despite all the cheering, Jesus knew what was going to happen
  - In just a few days the leaders and people would want to kill Him
    - He would die on the cross for our sins
  - Jesus wept for the people because He knew that they would reject Him
  - He wished that they realized what would have brought them peace
  - Jesus prophesied that Jerusalem would be destroyed by its enemies
  - He said this would all happen *“...because you did not recognize the time of God’s coming to you.”*
    - The things that Jesus prophesied about Jerusalem happened about 40 years after His death, burial and resurrection. (In the year 70 AD)

Pray with the children, thanking God that Jesus came to die for our sins. Amen.