

Beyond Sunday Sermon Study Series

Engage

Describe a time in your life when you felt overwhelming relief because you knew things were going to turn out for your good.

Have someone briefly review what they remembered from the sermon

Learn

Read Matthew 21:1-11

- 1. Why do you think the crowd was so excited that day?
- 2. The people saw Jesus as some sort of king (verse 5). What kind of king were they expecting? What did they think the king would do? Read Zechariah 9:9-10. What does this say about what the king would do?
- 3. What does the word 'Hosannah' mean? What does this say about what the crowd expected Jesus to do? Why do you think the religious leaders took offence to this word attached to Jesus in verse 15.

Deepen

"Sin breaks everything it touches." Discuss this statement. What exactly does sin break in your own life? How about in our world?

"Jesus comes as the King with power and authority to fix everything sin has broken." Discuss this statement. Do you agree or disagree? How do you see King Jesus undoing the effects of sin in your own life? Where is he undoing the effects of sin in our world?

If Jesus comes as King to restore everything that has gone wrong because of sin then why do we still live in such a broken world?

Live

Take a few moments to quietly consider these questions then discuss then with the group: What does it look like to live under a King? Where are you being faithful? What needs to change?

Keith said, "We must follow King Jesus into the brokenness of this world and bear witness in word and deed to the King who has the power to restore." What would that look like in your life (at work, school, in your neighbourhood, in our city)? What can you do to take a step in following Jesus tomorrow?