

## DISCUSSION IDEAS

# HUMBLE KING

Mark 11:1-10

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**THOUGHT:** How often have you suspected that someone's arrogance or need to be considered important was just a cover-up for personal insecurity?

Add to this Jesus' statement: *Calling them to Himself, Jesus says to them, "You know that those who are recognized as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them; and their great men exercise authority over them. But it is not this way among you, but whoever wishes to become great among you shall be your servant; and whoever wishes to be first among you shall be slave of all, for even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many." (Mark 10:42-45 NASB)*

♦ **DISCUSSION POINT ONE: JESUS' CERTAINTY OF HIS PLACE AND HIS MISSION.**

Compare Mark 10:1-10 with Zechariah 9:9-10.

*(Note: To keep perspective on word use, Mark just mentions a "foal" but Matthew 21:2 and John 12:14 do clarify that it was a donkey's foal, as stated in Zechariah.)*

What was Zechariah predicting? (about 520 years before Jesus was born!)

How does the wording in Zech. 9:10 make clear that the coming of the ruling Messiah is being foretold?

Discuss Jesus' intentional plan to arrive in Jerusalem clearly claiming to be Messiah.

How did this trigger the events to come?

Consider the planned timing of Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem, and His statements in Mark 9 about what was to happen.

Discuss Jesus' awareness that He was to be our "Passover" sacrifice for sin.

♦ **DISCUSSION POINT TWO: JESUS' HUMILITY.**

Look again at Zech. 9:9. Yes, Jesus was leading the parade, but with what attitude? (Again, what did He know would ultimately result?)

How was fulfilling Zech. 9:9 a sign to the Jewish people?

Look at Exodus 12:3-6. Discuss the Passover Lamb selection and how that also related to Jesus' presentation before the people.

Now discuss Philippians 2:5-11.

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♦ **DISCUSSION POINT THREE: THE RETURN OF THE MESSIAH.**

We just looked at Zech. 9:9 as a sign of Jesus Messiahship.

What sign is given in Mark 13:24-26?

What is the purpose of this sign?

Compare this to Revelation 19:11-16.

What will be Israel's response (as a nation), as described in Zech. 12:10?

As an additional study, consider this:

According to Hosea 5:15, plus Lev. 26:40-42, Jer. 3:11-18, Zech. 12:10 and Matt. 23:37-39, Jesus will not return until invited by Israel!

♦ **CHALLENGE:**

Study through Isa. 53 to absorb what is said about the loving kindness of God.

How is this truth, and the command to us in Philippians 2:5-8 intended to influence our attitudes?

When someone demeans me or treats me unkindly, I tend to get angry.

What does God want me to do? Look at Matt. 5:43-48 and Luke 6:27-36.

How can I achieve that? or can that only happen through submitting to Him?

♦ **PRAYER:**

Pray for our individual relationships and our witness to those in our lives.

In what ways will my life influence them?

How significant are my prayers for them?

Let's continue to pray for the Lord's love and power to be continually shown in Barangonan Island, as well as at Shelter Valley.

Pray for Eddie, as he grows in Christ and takes on greater responsibilities on Barangonan Island.