



**SMALL GROUP CURRICULUM**  
**FOR THE SERMON PREACHED: Sept 24, 2017**  
**"The Right Way to Respond to the King"**  
**PASSAGE: Mark 11:1-11**

1. Read Mark 11:1-11 out loud in your group.
  - a. To help us understand the significance this passage, read Psalm 118:20-26. In what ways do we see this being fulfilled in Mark 11:1-11; in what ways is this yet to be fulfilled? The people were expecting Jesus to reign on earth as the messianic King, and instead he was crucified a week later, how would we expect many of them to respond? Where do you currently feel God is not responding to your plea for help (ie. to save you from impure thoughts, behaviours, habits, difficult circumstances), and how can an understanding of the sacrifice of Jesus help you know how to respond?
  
  - b. Hosanna literally means 'save now.' This could be taken as both a shout of thanks and a plea for rescue. We have the privilege of knowing what Christ did to rescue us after the triumphal entry by His death, and resurrection. Consider then will you shout "Hosanna" to Jesus now... what are 2 ways you can thank Christ for saving you and 2 things you need Him to save you from now? What makes you sure He will save you?
  
  - c. Pastor Kevin listed several differences between the triumphal entry of Jesus and His second coming. Read Revelation 19:11-16 and compare to Mark 11:1-11, what differences do you see in this passage? If your courage to obey is never relative to the size of your circumstances but your courage to obey is always relative to the size of your God... How does Revelation 19 relate to and bring courage to your circumstances (ie. relationships, work, sickness, children, finances)?

d. Read John 12:16 to get insight as to what the disciples understood as the triumphal entry was taking place. In light of John 12:16, imagine yourself as one of the disciples. List some of the significant events that took place following the triumphal entry, what kind of emotions and questions would the disciples have? What eventually brought clarity to the disciples? What must bring clarity to your circumstances and what are you doing to seek that clarity?

e. BREAKOUT

In Mark 11:11 we read that Jesus “looked around at everything”. Based on what Jesus saw, He later cleansed the temple. This phrase is used 4 other times in the book of Mark, in chapter 3:5, 3:34, 5:32, and 10:23. In light of these references, and Mark 11:11, what do we learn about the meaning and significance of this phrase? What is your honest, initial response to knowing Jesus sees everything in your life now? What does it look like to respond in the way Jesus commanded in Matthew 11:28? What is one specific way you need to respond wholehearted and rest in the King?

Memory Verse

Genesis 49:10 “The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor the ruler’s staff from between his feet, until tribute comes to him; and to him shall be the obedience of the peoples.”