

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Prayer

- Church-wide prayer emphasis, pray, “For families to begin to pray and read God’s word together at home.”

Introduction

- As we enter Holy Week, we are reflecting on the humility and kingship of Jesus.
- *What is your favorite Easter memory?*

Read John 12:12-16

- *What do you think it would have felt like to be in the crowd that day?*
- *What does the crowd get right about Jesus?*
- *What does this crowd misunderstand?*
- *What are common views of Jesus in popular culture today?*
- *What can we learn from the reality that the crowd shifted from “Hosanna!” to “Crucify him!” in one week?*
- *How can we avoid living for the praise of men?*
- *What is the danger of forgetting Jesus’ identity as King?*
- *How might his Kingship influence your daily life?*
- *What does the donkey teach us about Jesus’ type of leadership?*
- The character of the King teaches us to “fear not.” *What is causing fear in your life?*
- *When has Jesus helped you to overcome a fear?*
- It took time for the disciples to understand Jesus more fully. *How has your understanding of Jesus matured?*

“One-Another Ing”

- Each discussion guide this year will feature one of the scriptures’ “one another” statements. These instructions guide us on how to love one another.
- *Be at peace with one another. (Mark 9:50, ESV)*