



## MAKE A BANNER

# KINDERGARTEN

## THE CROWD WELCOMES JESUS

—Based on Matthew 21:1-11

- Jesus and His disciples were returning to Jerusalem. Jesus sent two disciples to the village to get a donkey and its colt. Jesus told the disciples what to say if anyone wondered why they were taking the animals.
- “Say, ‘The Lord needs them, and the person will send them at once,’” Jesus told His disciples.
- The two disciples obeyed Jesus and brought the donkey and colt to Him. The disciples laid their robes on the animals and Jesus sat on the robes.
- Jesus rode the donkey and colt into Jerusalem where many people were gathered. The crowd of people laid down their robes, and they cut and laid down palm branches for Jesus and the donkeys to walk on.
- They praised Jesus and shouted, “Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest heaven!” Many people were happy to see Jesus.
- Other people heard what was happening. “Who is this?” the people asked.
- The crowd kept saying, “This is Jesus, from Nazareth.”
- **Pray. Thank God for loving us and sending His Son, Jesus. Offer boys and girls opportunities to pray, too.**

### WHAT YOU WILL NEED:

- KIDS ACTIVITY PAGE
- LONG PIECE OF CRAFT PAPER
- MARKER
- CRAYONS
- STICKERS
- TEMPERA PAINTS
- PAINTING SHIRT
- *On a long piece of craft paper, print the word Hosanna. Guide children to wear smocks if using paint.*
- **Guide children to complete the Kids Activity Pages.**
- **Point to the word spelled out on the banner and invite children to say it with you. Remind children that when people welcomed Jesus, they shouted Hosanna!**
- **Invite children to decorate the banner using the provided art supplies. They may want to print other welcome words or draw pictures and designs. Say the Life Point: “God sent Jesus because He loves us.” Open the Bible to 1 John 4:10 and read “God loved us and sent His Son.”**
- **Hang the completed banner in your room and email a picture of it to [shannon.porter@rslcs.org](mailto:shannon.porter@rslcs.org)**

God loved us  
and sent His Son.  
—1 JOHN 4:10

COMPLETE THE VERSE

Use the code below to fill in  
the missing letters to find out  
the Unit Verse.

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□ o □      1 John 4:10  
6      5

1-D    2-G    3-H    4-L    5-N    6-S    7-T    8-V

WHAT DID PEOPLE USE TO WELCOME JESUS?

Circle the items that people used to welcome Jesus  
in today's Bible story.



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## CONVERSATION

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#### THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

Parents, today your child learned that God sent Jesus because He loves us. When the people saw Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a donkey, they welcomed Him as a king and called Him blessed by God.

#### LIVE IT OUT

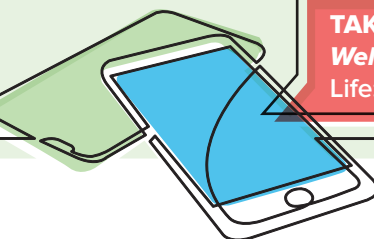
Review the Bible story with your preschooler. Use the tune of “London Bridge” to sing the words to the verse: *God loved us and sent His Son, sent His Son, sent His Son. God loved us and sent His Son. 1 John 4:10.*

#### LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

God sent Jesus to help people because He loves them.

#### DAILY BIBLE READING

**Sunday:** John 14:6  
**Monday:** Zechariah 9:9  
**Tuesday:** Isaiah 61:1  
**Wednesday:** Isaiah 11:1  
**Thursday:** Jeremiah 23:5  
**Friday:** Isaiah 53:3  
**Saturday:** Malachi 3:1



**TAKE IT FURTHER:** Check out the *The Crowd Welcomed Jesus* section of the Bible Studies for Life: Kids Family App.