

Palm Sunday -Lifegroup questions

1. In Matthew 16 Jesus said

24 "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. 25 For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will find it.

What do you think this meant to the disciples at the time?

2. What does this verse mean to us today, in practical terms?
3. Refer to the passage below

The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. 7 They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. 8 A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

"Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

As Jesus progressed towards Jerusalem the crowds called out "Hosanna" which means "O save". Are there times in the recent past when you have called on God to Save you? Share these experiences with the group and let them be used as a time to Praise God for his saving grace.

4. In the account in Luke 19 v28-44 we read

39 Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!"

40 "I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."

What does this tell us about our responsibility to proclaim the gospel?

5. How do we best go about this in practical terms with a world that is relatively oblivious to the life of Jesus and particularly his death and resurrection for their sin?