



Walk to Easter: An interactive journey through the life of Jesus Christ **Triumphal Entrance**

Sister Merrill,

Thank you so much for being a part of our primary activity. Here is some information for you as we plan for this special event!

When: March 21st 9:30 am -12 pm

Where: YSA Gathering Place

Who: Believer of Christ at the gates of Jerusalem

Please dress in character- we have costumes for your use as needed, let us know.

As part of this experience please teach them about “Palm Sunday” and why Jesus was coming to Jerusalem and what happened there. Please use the words from the Bible while teaching. Let them see you reading from the physical scriptures (no phones). If you choose to memorize or paraphrase the scriptures they should be quoted/referenced (“you can read about what I’m telling you in Matthew Chapter 21 but here’s what I’ll share with you about what I saw”) or you can read directly from the scriptures, there’s power in that! But we do realize some verses may be difficult for children to interpret/follow. We trust you and that your preparation for this will be spirit led as to how to present this experience. Greet them with “Hosanna blessed be the name of the Lord”, come let me tell you about how we can use songs to worship the Savior, for example. You’ll have the creative liberty in your “character” to add how that person might’ve felt seeing the Lord come to Jerusalem and share why they wanted to be there worshipping and singing praises to Him. Testify of what you “saw and heard!” As part of your message you will extend an invitation to ACT. Invite the children to think of ways they can “welcome” the Lord into their lives or ask them how others might know they are a believer, they may not sing praises in the streets but how do they show they’re disciples. Something they can ponder on and apply this lesson to their own lives. Then, please lead them in a variety of songs to celebrate Jesus. Get them moving and involved in joyful praise, shout Hosanna- we will have palm branches for all. A few reverent songs would be appropriate as they ponder the teachings and experiences. Please plan on 10 minutes for the message and songs. They will make a craft afterward to help them connect with the lesson and take home. We will provide the supplies. Our youth group leaders and one extra adult will be on hand to help during any portion of the experience. You will present this lesson 8 times as the children rotate throughout the activity.