



April 9 - 10 Sermon

Mark 11:1-10

UNDERSTAND THEIR STORY

1. Read Mark 11:1-10.
 - a. Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem is rich with symbolism about his kingly status. What details in the text make it clear Mark wants his audience to understand that Jesus is King?
 - b. Jesus is not only the king, but He is also powerful. What details in the passage (or in the preceding or following verses) emphasize the sovereignty of Jesus?

CONNECT TO HIS STORY

2. Read Jn. 8:12-20
 - a. Who is Jesus preaching to in chapter 8? Why is this significant?
 - b. What evidence does Jesus offer as proof of His identity as the Son of God?
 - c. Jesus openly challenged the Pharisees, yet they did nothing to stop Him. What explanation does John give for this happenstance?
3. Read Jn. 10:14-18
 - a. How does Jesus talk about Himself? What does He describe Himself as?
 - b. How does Jesus talk about His people? What does He describe them as?
 - c. What is the mission of Jesus described as in this passage?

APPLY TO OUR STORY

The lesson in Mark 11:1-10 is that Jesus is both Lord *and* loving.

4. In both John 8 and Mark 11, we see that the proclamation of the gospel is made to all people without distinction.
 - a. Where in your life do you most consistently spend time with non-Christians?
 - b. What opportunities do you see in your life to have spiritual conversations with those who do not-yet believe?
 - c. What challenges do you anticipate as you seek to share the good news about Jesus?

PRAYER

Close in prayer for the confessions of the people in your smaller groups:

Adoration: What can you praise God for, as a result of studying this text?

Confession: What might you need to confess to God as a result of studying this text?

Supplication: What can you ask God for, as a result of studying this text?