

Holy Week Meditations - Journeying to Jerusalem

Palm Sunday – Entry into Jerusalem

Matthew 21 v 1-11

Turning point

Imagine the, the surprise for Jesus and his disciples, crowded streets, the excitement, the cheering. Now let's reverse that for today clapping for our NHS workers and volunteers, the social isolation and the utter amazement that it can be happening to us now on this Palm Sunday. For Jesus on his triumphant entry facing the humiliation of death on Good Friday but God was in control as He is now.

Let us pray

Lord we are a pilgrim people. Standing still is not something we like to do. We like to keep moving both physically and spiritually. Going with the crowd isn't an option and we need strength to keep on. Cheering with the crowd takes some imagination and yet we have shared in whatever means we can, on the phone, video, email, silent prayer and standing two meters away from our neighbours.

Today we can shout 'Hosanna' and if we shout loud enough our neighbours will hear. Help us to sing and shout your praise today knowing too well how things will change not just for us but in the world around remembering Jesus, the Servant King as we journey on. **Amen**

Meditation

Am I at a turning point?
Which road do I choose Lord?
Uphill to Jerusalem -
Right, to I don't know where –
The easy or the tough way?

*'But you are always close to me
following all my ways,
May I always be close to you
following all your ways Lord'
Amen*



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