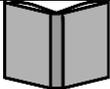




Small Group/ Reflection Notes

	13-04-2025	Calvary Road Procession
 Start	<input type="checkbox"/> What will you do this Easter? How will/ could you mark 'holy week'?	
 Discuss	<input type="checkbox"/> Have you ever been on a procession or demonstration? <input type="checkbox"/> How do world/ State leaders travel? Why is this more than just about their security? <input type="checkbox"/> Are most dictators' men? Why is that? Can you think of a female dictator? <input type="checkbox"/> What's the difference between being 'political' and being 'party political'? <input type="checkbox"/> Can/ should the Church be 'political'? When? How? <input type="checkbox"/> What is Palm Sunday? What are your earlier memories of Palm Sunday?	
 Read	Luke 19:28-44	 Listen again ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Watch ChesterRoadBaptist.org.uk/Talks
 Explore	<input type="checkbox"/> v.28 : Why was Jerusalem so significant? Why had Jesus up until now mostly kept away from Jerusalem? <input type="checkbox"/> v.29-31 : What is a 'colt'? How might a conquering General or Emperor ride into a city they had captured? Why? What is the POTUS' car known as? By riding into the city on a colt or 'wee donkey', what was Jesus communicating.. to His followers? ..to the people of Jerusalem? ..to the Roman invaders? <input type="checkbox"/> v.32-34 : How comfortable would you have been in following this instruction of Jesus? How would you react if someone claimed this reason for taking your car? What difference does it make that 'Old Testament' prophets had predicted details of what Jesus would later do? For example, see Zechariah 9:9 . Why was claiming, 'Jesus is Lord', not just spiritual, but also so <i>political</i> ? <input type="checkbox"/> v.35-36 : How would you feel if your coat was trampled on by a colt/ wee donkey? Why might people have done this for Jesus? <input type="checkbox"/> v.37-38 : Who did the people worship? Why? Why was worship such an instinctive response? If the Romans demanded ' <i>Caesar is Lord</i> ' and claimed <i>pax romana</i> (the violence they called Roman Peace), why was the crowd's worship an act of defiance? <input type="checkbox"/> v.39-40 : Who were the Pharisees? Why were some so opposed to Jesus? Why does religion so often resist authentic faith? Why would 'stones' cry out? <input type="checkbox"/> v.41-44 : What was Jesus weeping over? Why? What will Jesus do about it? Have you ever felt moved over a local community/ city? Ho? Why? What did it lead you to do?	
 Go further	<input type="checkbox"/> Why was the Mount of Olives so important in the Bible? <input type="checkbox"/> What else happened on the Mount of Olives? For example: <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Samuel 15:30 : What was the significance for King David? <input type="checkbox"/> Ezekiel 11:23 : What did Ezekiel see there?	

	<input type="checkbox"/> Zechariah 14:4 What did Zechariah predict would happen to the dead? <input type="checkbox"/> Acts 1:12 : Why did the Disciples continue to gather there?
 Reflect	<input type="checkbox"/> Which one verse stands out to you? Why do you think it grabs your attention? <input type="checkbox"/> Which verse(s) will you need to think more about? Why?
 Do	<input type="checkbox"/> Find a high spot and look out over our city. Why do you see? What do you feel? Read Psalm 122:6-9 and pray for the peace of our city.
 Pray	Say this slowly and repeatedly: <i>Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for evermore. Amen.</i>
 My questions:	

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