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# PALM SUNDAY

#### REJOICE!

#### INTRO

Jesus had been travelling from Galilee to Jerusalem and teaching people about the Kingdom of God. Many people were recognising that Jesus was the King that God had promised them and were excited that He was coming towards Jerusalem.

Why do you think they might have been excited about Him coming to Jerusalem? What was special about Jerusalem?

#### STORY

Act out Luke 19:28-40

#### DISCUSSION

Who was happy in the story and why?

Who was angry and why?

What do you think Jesus meant by "if these were silent, even the rocks would cry out"?

#### OLDER CHILDREN

The prophet Zechariah prophesied that a King would come to Jerusalem and bring peace. Read Zechariah's description of the coming King in Zechariah 9:9-10

How does that remind you of Jesus coming into Jerusalem? Who is rejoicing as Jesus rides into Jerusalem and who is not?

GAME - Musical statues or other party games (The people were rejoicing when Jesus entered Jerusalem, so feel free to have a bit of a party!)

CRAFT - Palm branches and/or rock painting

#### (WORSHIP

We want to see Jesus lifted high)

#### PRAYER - Thanksgiving

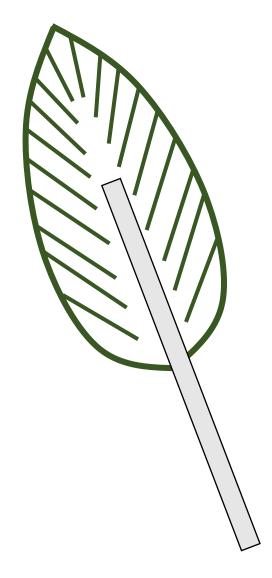
Thank Jesus for loving us and being our Prince of Peace

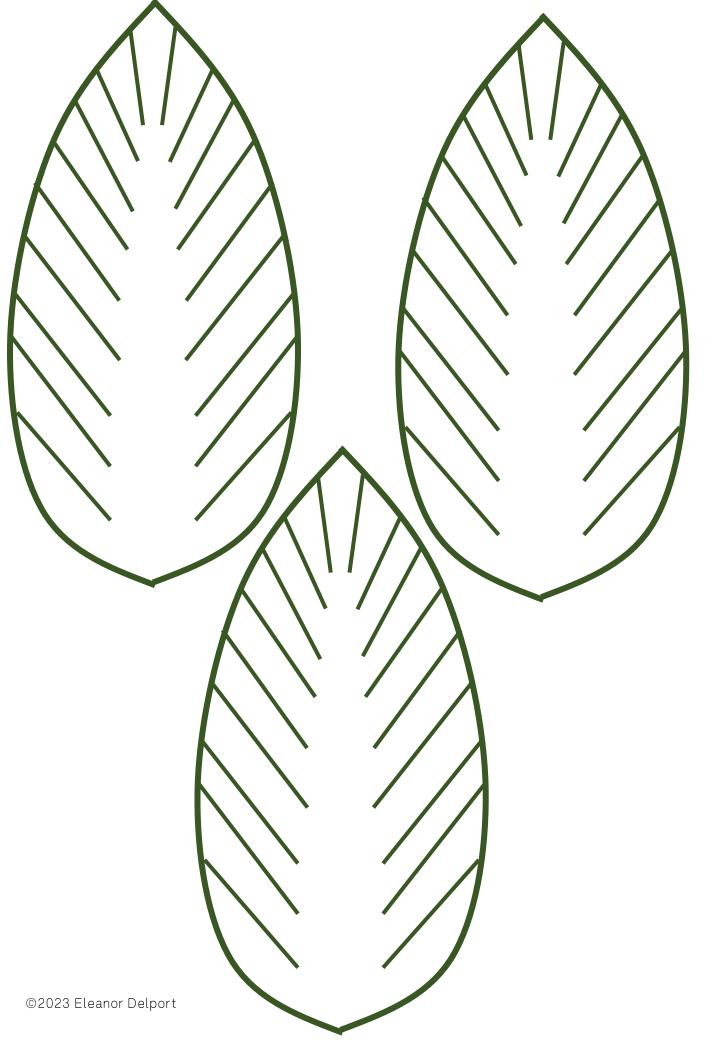
### PALM BRANCHES

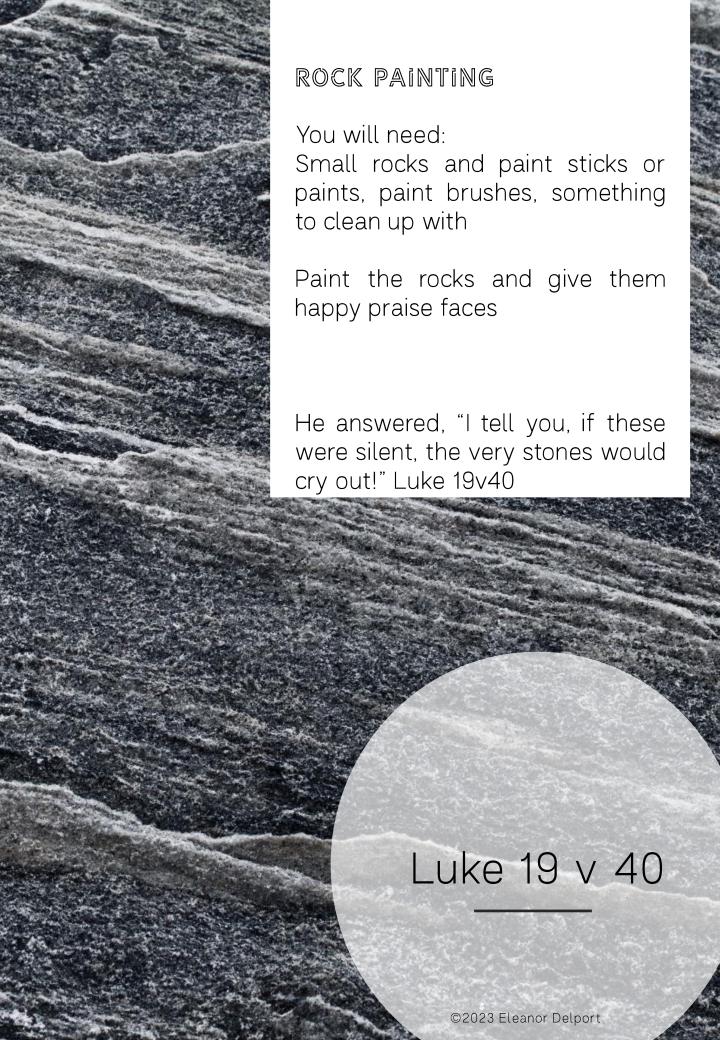
You will need:

One palm printed out per child, pens, tape, lollipop sticks or straws, scissors

- Colour in and cut out the palm leaf
- 2. Tape a straw or lollipop stick down the middle of the palm







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bethany palm
branches peace
donkey pharisees
hosanna praise
jerusalem rejoice
jesus rocks

king worship