Jesus the King

Previous items needed: Jesus, Lenten Puzzle, purple underlay, road, children, 2 disciples/adults, & Jerusalem backdrop (“Get Ready to Worship Card”)

Come close to this story of Jesus. The season of Lent is the time when we prepare for Easter. Purple is the color of Lent.

Place purple underlay on the floor.
Place background of Jerusalem in the box and set at the left end of the purple underlay up against back.

Long before airplanes, buses, and trains a donkey was a fast way to get to a place.
Place the donkey on the far right of the underlay away from Jerusalem.

Jesus’ friends had found him a donkey (or maybe it was a colt?)
Do you know the difference?
Place Jesus on the underlay by the donkey.

He had somewhere God needed him to go.
Jesus was always having to go somewhere to share about God. Jesus was becoming pretty popular.

Lots of people came out to see Jesus.
Place a woman, man, and two children on sides of the underlay, lining up one side like a parade.

They were curious about him.
They lined the streets, like a parade.
Lay the palm branches down the center of the underlay.

Instead of pom-poms they waved palm branches.
Place the felt squares down the center of the underlay.

Instead of a street, they put down their clothes and cloaks to make a colorful path.
It became a special ride for Jesus and the families who watched. It was a special ride for the donkey too.

This was just the beginning of a really important journey.
Have everyone repeat “Hosanna! Praise be to God!”

HOSANNA! PRAISE BE TO GOD!
Wondering with God’s Story

I wonder...

how Jesus felt walking in the parade?
how the donkey felt?
why the people wanted to see Jesus?
if you are curious about Jesus?
where God sometimes needs us to go?

Working with God’s Story

1) Have each person retell the story without reading the words. Just use items.

2) Find the story in your Bible and highlight it. You can also look in a Storybook Bible or online.

3) Ask the wondering questions more than once. Dinner? Car? Bedtime?

Check the “Weekly Faith FITness Plan” card.

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Jesus the King

John 12:13
(Common English Version)

They took palm branches and went out to meet him.

They shouted, “Hosanna! Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the king of Israel!”

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Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
**Puzzle Piece**
Take this piece of the puzzle and color and cut it out. Glue, tape or staple it to the matching piece from the first week.

**Family Prayer**
There are so many ways to pray. This week’s prayer challenge is to write a family prayer that shares with God about a time when each person was nervous about something that was about to happen.

I/We was/were nervous...

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Help calm us all. Amen.

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Text someone... Scripture, Faith, Prayer, or FREE video links!
*Skit Guys, Palm Sunday,*
https://youtu.be/0rdrcHLIs5c

Reflect on this image:
https://vibrantfaith.org/visualfaith/

**Faith Word—Hosanna!**