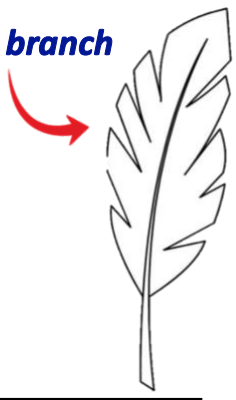


Tonight's

Today is Palm Sunday! So look for a palm branch like this on every page of the worksheet!



passage – Mark 11.¹⁻¹⁸

theme – Spring Clean!

Colour in the front of the worksheet: make it as colourful as you can!



Palm Sunday

Read
Mark 11
verses 1-10

welcoming Jesus

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of His disciples, ²saying to them, 'Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³If anyone asks you, "Why are you doing this?" say, "The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly."

⁴They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, ⁵some people standing there asked, 'What are you doing, untying that colt?' ⁶They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. ⁷When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, He sat on it. ⁸Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. ⁹Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, 'Hosanna!'

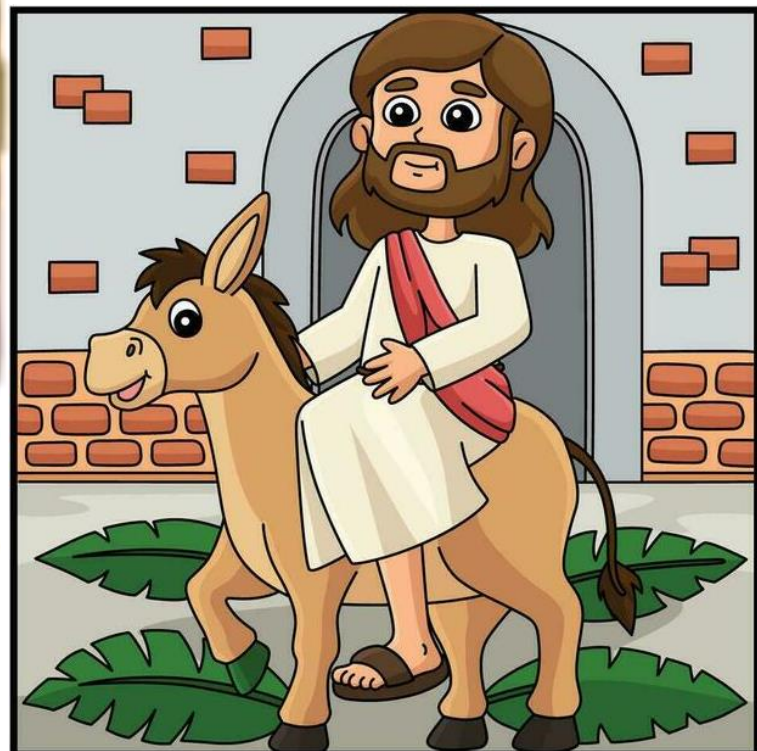
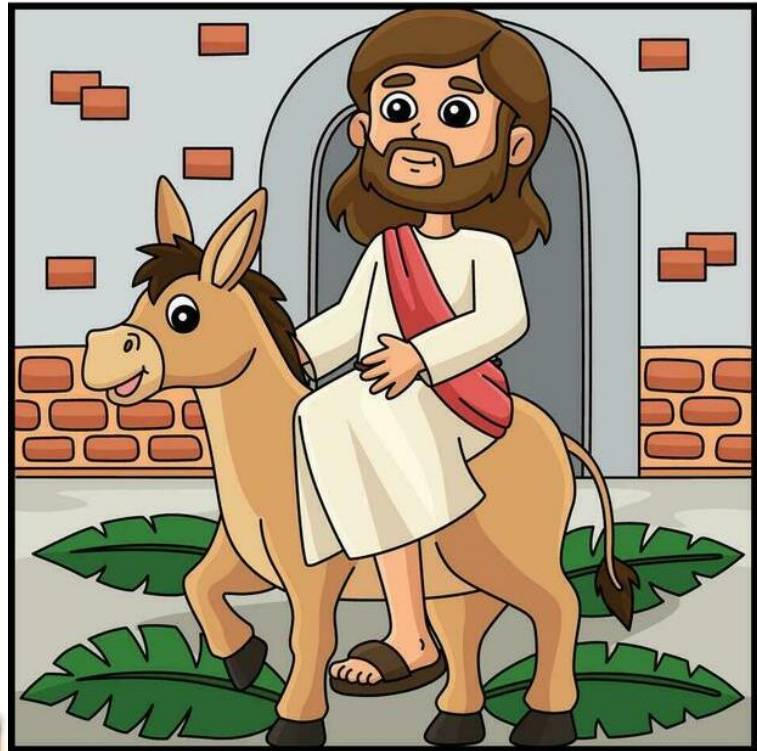
'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!'

¹⁰ 'Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!'

'Hosanna in the highest heaven!'

Jesus was welcomed as King

Can you spot the 6 differences in the pictures?

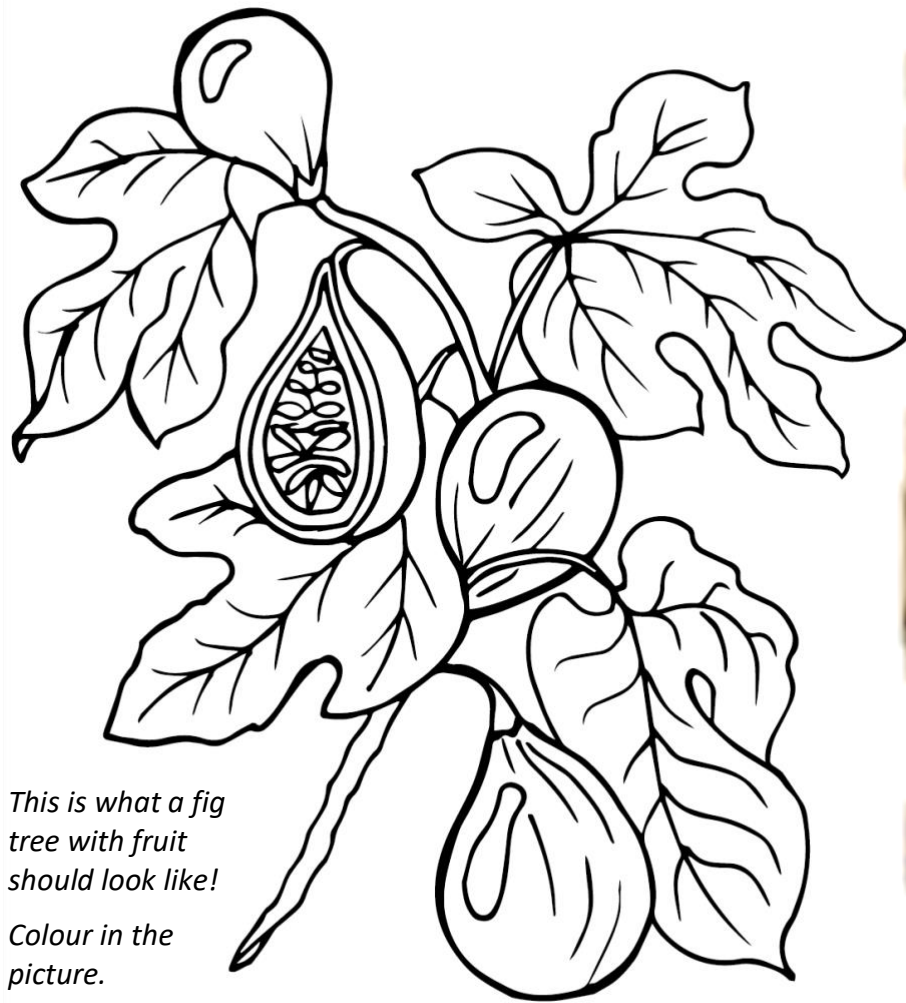


Hundreds of year earlier God had promised that His King would come riding into Jerusalem on a donkey and now that's how Jesus was arriving! The crowd welcomed Him gladly: the promised King had come!

Task # 1 – welcome Jesus as King into your life!

figs but no fruit¹¹

When Jesus got to Jerusalem He had a good look round. He didn't like what He saw!



This is what a fig tree with fruit should look like!

Colour in the picture.

God likened His people to a fig tree: they were meant to bear 'fruit', showing the nations around them how full life was when lived under His rule and through His power.

But what Jesus saw in the temple showed that His people had forgotten or ignored what they were called to be.

They'd become like a fig tree that was all leaves and no fruit!

All 'outward show', nothing else!

Read Mark 11 verses 15-16

Jesus entered Jerusalem and went into the temple courts.

He looked around at everything, but since it was already late, He went out to Bethany with the Twelve.

¹²The next day as they were leaving Bethany, Jesus was hungry.

¹³Seeing in the distance a fig-tree in leaf, He went to find out if it had any fruit. When He reached it, he found nothing but leaves, because it was not the season for figs. ¹⁴Then He said to the tree, 'May no one ever eat fruit from you again.' And His disciples heard Him say it.

Task # 2 – ensure you have a *real* relationship with Jesus!

Read
Mark 11
verse 15-18

¹⁵ On reaching Jerusalem, Jesus entered the temple courts and began driving out those who were buying and selling there.

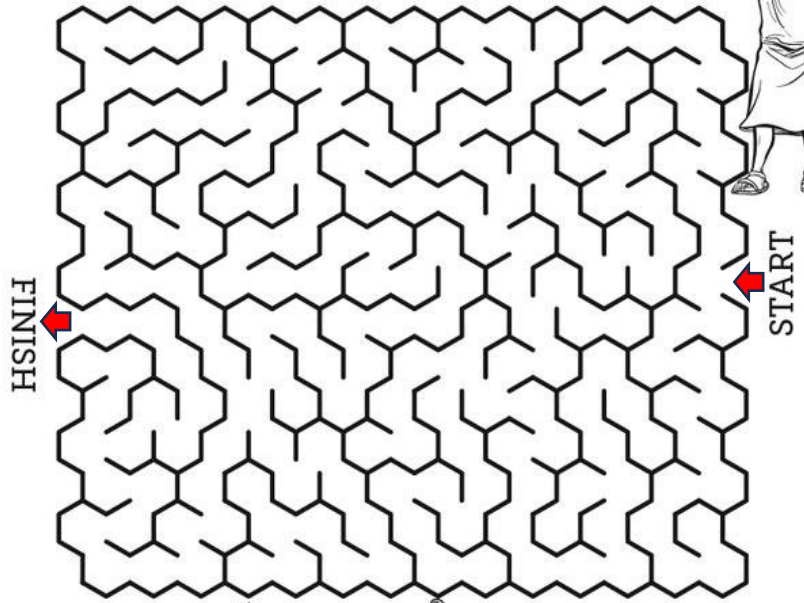
He overturned the tables of the money-changers and the benches of those selling doves, ¹⁶ and would not allow anyone to carry merchandise through the temple courts.

¹⁷ And as He taught them, He said, 'Is it not written: "My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations"? But you have made it "a den of robbers".'

¹⁸ The chief priests and the teachers of the law heard this and began looking for a way to kill Him, for they feared Him, because the whole crowd was amazed at His teaching.

spring clean

Help Jesus cleanse the temple.



The temple was the place where people could meet with God. But it was full of things which had made it like Union Square on a busy day!

YOU are God's temple!

Paul wrote to the believers at Corinth and said –

Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit lives among you?

What would Jesus make of *your* life, when He 'looked around at everything' (v.11)?

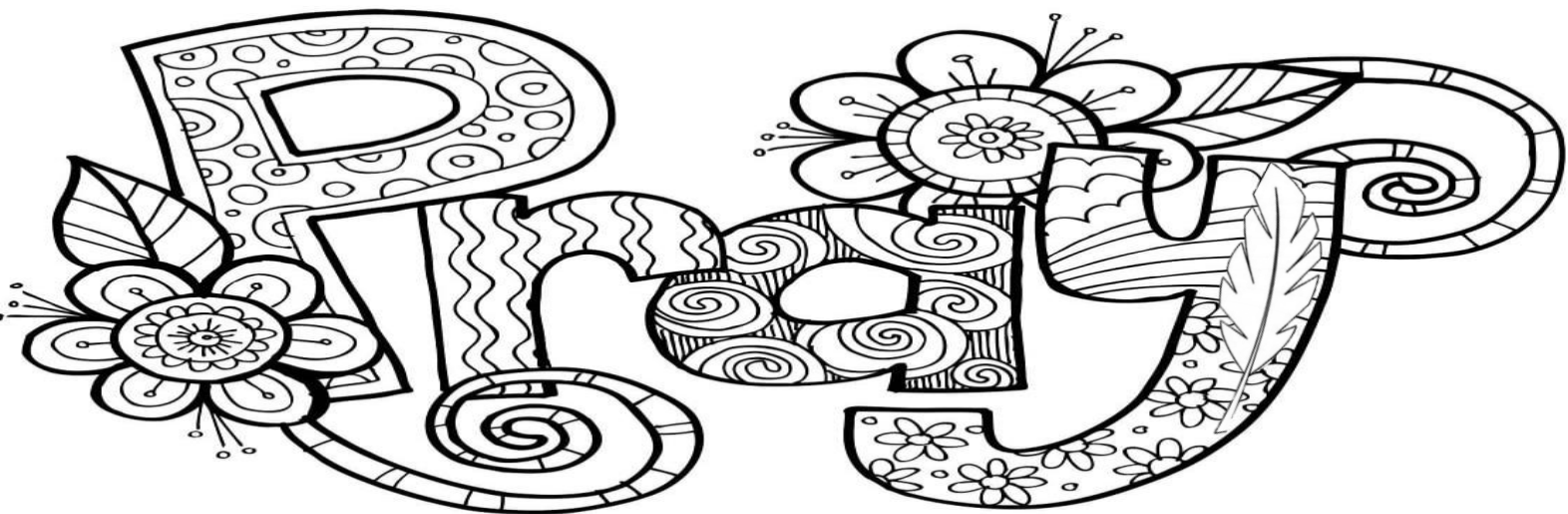
Are there too many things going on in your life that are getting in the way of God?

Task # 3 – have a proper clear out!

think . . .

Do you make time for God – time to listen to Him as you read a bit from the Bible, time to speak with Him in prayer, time to be at worship? What might Jesus throw out?





Think about what you've been learning in this worksheet.

Speak to God about what you've learned: if you want, use this prayer to help you

Wow, Lord Jesus!

**It must have been a pretty special day, Your coming into Jerusalem like that.
And all the people coming out, shouting and singing.
And throwing their coats on the ground!**

And what followed was pretty special too!

**I think it must have been quite scary
seeing you come into the temple
and having a look at everything!**

**I want people to be able to
have a sense that they meet
with You when they meet me.**

**But maybe there are things in my life
which need to be removed. Show me,
Lord Jesus, what shouldn't be there,
and help me to remove it.**

I need *You* to do that for me!



Today's verse for you to try and remember!

Blessed is He who
comes in the
Name of the Lord

(Mark 11.9)



Wordsearch

The Wordsearch is from the story of Jesus entering Jerusalem. See if you can find all the

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PALM SUNDAY

You are the King of glory

