

### 03-29-26 FOR THE HOLY WEEK JOURNEY

“The rituals of Holy Week help to bring home the love that Christ has for the world. We can't just talk about love; we must illustrate that love through our daily acts. We are called to do no less.”

*David Wilson*



#### Daily Scripture and Questions for Reflection —

➤ Monday Matthew 21:1-11

How will you journey with Jesus through Holy Week this year? What will enable you to claim space for prayer and reflection? What does it mean for Jesus to reign in your thoughts and actions? How might you embody the humility and gentleness of Jesus? What does it look like in our time to resist the temptations and power of this world?

➤ Tuesday John 12:20-36

What troubles your soul? To what do you need to die in order to live more fully and bear fruit for God's kin-dom? What will enable you to walk in the light of Jesus? What would it mean for you to make God's glory your highest priority?

➤ Wednesday John 12:1-11

What gifts has God given you? How do you share them with others? Is there a gift (time, talent, material assets) that you hold back? What does it look like to love Jesus boldly and extravagantly? How can we as a congregation discern between wasteful extravagance and faithful use of our resources?

➤ Thursday John 13:1-17, 31b-35

How do you live out Jesus' example of radical inclusive love? How do you serve the world around you? What person(s) do you find it challenging to love as Jesus loves? How might you share Jesus' love with them in a tangible way?

➤ Friday John 18:1-19:42

What significance does the cross have for you? How does the cross challenge you to trust God in the face of human suffering—your own and that of others? What does it mean to remain committed to following Jesus when it is inconvenient, unpopular, or perhaps even risky?

➤ Saturday John 19:38-42

In what ways did you grow closer to Jesus this Lent? How have you progressed in the weeks since Ash Wednesday? What new insights about the life of faith have you had through the events of Holy Week? As you take time today to pause and listen, to wait and watch, what else do you need in order to be prepared to fully celebrate the joy of Easter?

#### Daily Household Prayer

Lord Jesus Christ, on the first Palm Sunday You entered the rebellious city where You were to die. Come into our hearts, we pray and make them fully Yours. And as Your disciples blessed Your coming and the crowd spread garments and branches in Your way, make us ready to lay at Your feet all that we have and all that we are, that we too may bless Your coming. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.