



Mark 11:1–11 / Pastor Matthew St. John / February 4, 2018

Discussion Questions

1. There is a huge difference between the local county fair and Disney World—one is clearly the better opportunity. Think of a time you attained something you thought would be meaningful, only to realize you had settled for less than the best. How did you process the tension this created?
2. Carefully read Mark 11:1–11. Pastor Matthew spoke of three ways the crowd could think about Jesus—the popular Jesus, the Jesus of prosperity or the Jesus of politics. Which of these three approaches resonates most with your experience?
3. Read these important prophetic passages: Genesis 49:10–11, Psalm 118:25–27, Daniel 9:25–26 and Zechariah 9:9–11. There are a couple of common threads. One is about the arrival of Jesus in Jerusalem on what became known as “Palm Sunday.” What is the other common thread and why does it have significance for your life? Read Romans 5:8–11 for further insight.
4. The crowd in Mark 11:10 celebrates the coming “kingdom.” Jesus tells us in Matthew 6:33 to “seek first the kingdom of God.” We’re discerning that suffering is a key feature to living in God’s kingdom. What does that mean for you as Jesus’ disciple and how do you process this with friends and family?

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