



# **LifeGroup Discussion Packet**

**Don't Miss What God is Doing**

**Palm Sunday**

**Luke 19:28-44**

**March 28-29, 2026**

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## Main Idea:

God may be doing something right in front of us, but if our expectations, praise, priorities, or spiritual sensitivity are off, we can miss His work. Palm Sunday reminds us to recognize Jesus for who He truly is and respond when He draws near.

## Key Verse:

“...you did not recognize it when God visited you.” Luke 19:44 (NLT)

## Warm-Up Question:

When have you completely missed something important that was right in front of you? What happened when you finally realized it?

## Discussion Questions

### 1. Wrong Expectations

Read Luke 19:28-35. According to the text, the people were looking for a king, but many were looking for the wrong kind of king. They wanted immediate relief and outward change, while Jesus came to bring deeper salvation and peace with God.

- Where are people today tempted to expect God to work only in the ways they prefer?
  
- Where have you experienced that personally?

### 2. Empty Praise

Read Luke 19:36-38. The crowd praised Jesus loudly, but many still did not understand His mission. Pastor mentioned, “They wanted Jesus to impress them, not rule them.”

- What is the difference between emotional praise and surrendered praise?
  
- How can someone look spiritually engaged on the outside while still keeping Jesus at distance in real life?

### **3. Earthly Priorities**

Read Luke 19:39-40. The Pharisees wanted the praise to stop because what Jesus was doing threatened their priorities.

- What kinds of earthly priorities most often distract people today from recognizing God's activity?
- Of these... schedules, comfort, plans, pressure, and politics, which of those tends to compete most for your attention and why?

### **4. Holy Moments**

Read Luke 19:41-44. Jesus wept over Jerusalem because they missed the moment of God's visitation.

- What do you think makes people slow to respond when God is clearly speaking or drawing near?
- What are some "holy moments" people often brush past in church, in relationships, or in personal conviction?

### **5. The Palm Sunday Tension**

In the message, Pastor mentioned, "They wanted a crown without a cross, but Jesus came to bring salvation through surrender."

- Why is that such an important truth for Palm Sunday?
- How does that statement challenge the way people often think about following Jesus today?

## **Application**

The message highlighted how God is moving in the church and community, with people stepping across the line of faith, being baptized, and reprioritizing their lives around Jesus.

- Why is it important for a church family to recognize and respond to what God is doing in their own congregation, not just in the Bible or in the past?

- How can your LifeGroup help fuel that mission?

## Personal Response

In the message, we were challenged to ask, “Am I missing what God is doing because it doesn’t look like what I expected?” In light of that...

- What area of your life right now most needs that question?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- Is there a place where God may be doing a deeper work than the one you were asking for?

## Going Deeper

It was mentioned in the message that “Just because God is not doing what you expected does not mean God is not doing anything.”

- Take a few minutes as a group to talk honestly about where that truth feels most needed right now.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- How might God be building trust, endurance, surrender, or deeper faith in a situation where you were hoping for quicker answers?

## Next Step

this week, ask God to show you one place where you may be missing what He is doing. It may be through wrong expectations, empty praise, earthly priorities, or a holy moment you have been slow to respond to.

Pray each day, “**Lord Jesus, open my eyes. Soften my heart. Help me not to miss what You are doing.**”

Then take one concrete step of response... whether that means surrender, obedience, repentance, encouragement, or sharing Christ with someone else.