

REFERENCES: LUKE 19:28-44; *THE DESIRE OF AGES*, PP. 569-579.

# The Great Parade

## *Memory Verse:*

“Sing to the LORD.” PSALM 98:1, NIV.

## *The Message:*

I can sing praises to Jesus.

## *Parents:*

By the end of the month you can help your child

**Know** that it is good to praise God.

**Feel** happy for the things God does for us.

**Respond** by joining in to sing praise songs in Sabbath School, church, and family worship.



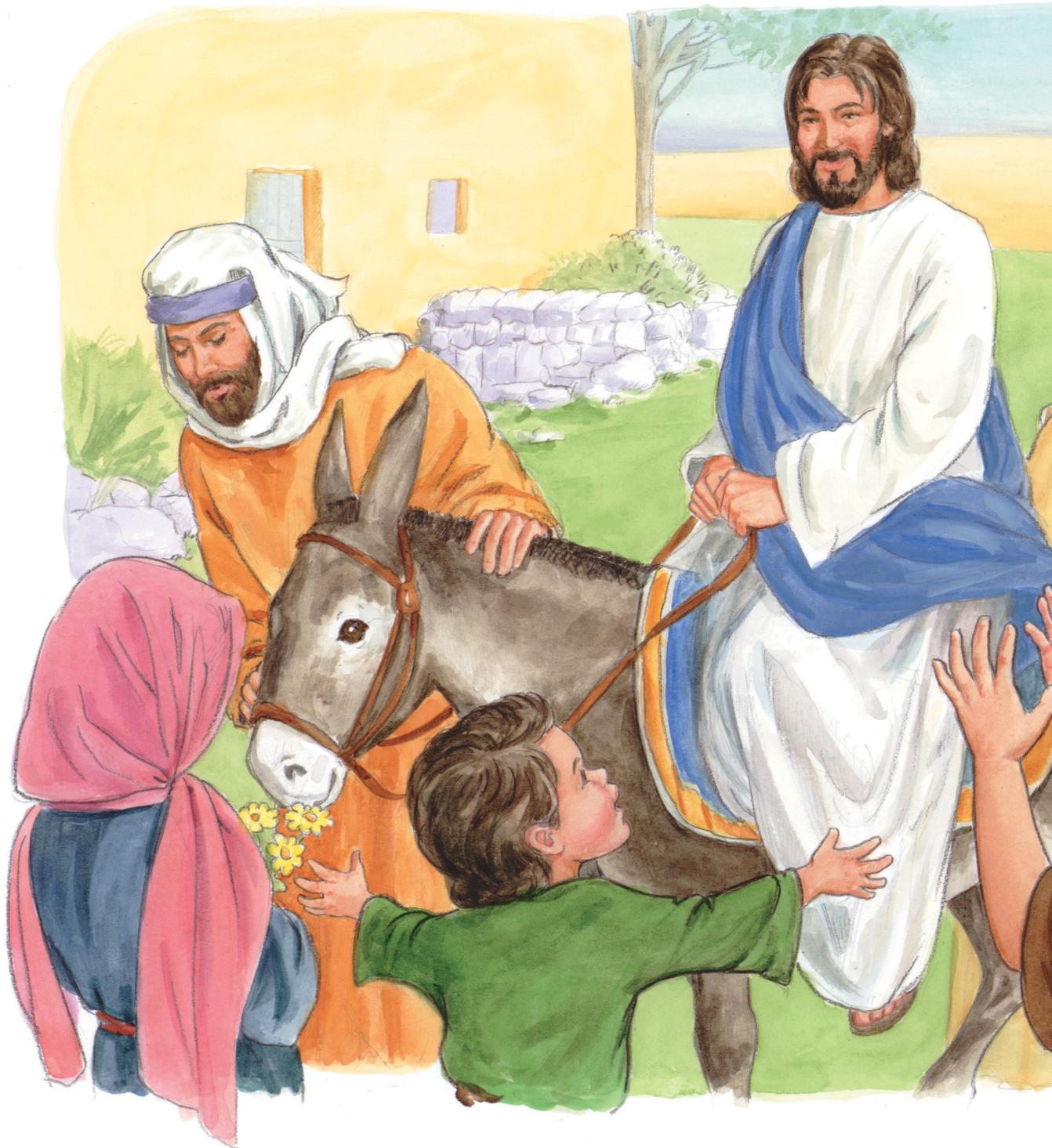
*See the children march in the parade. The doggie marches too. Our Bible story is about a parade.*

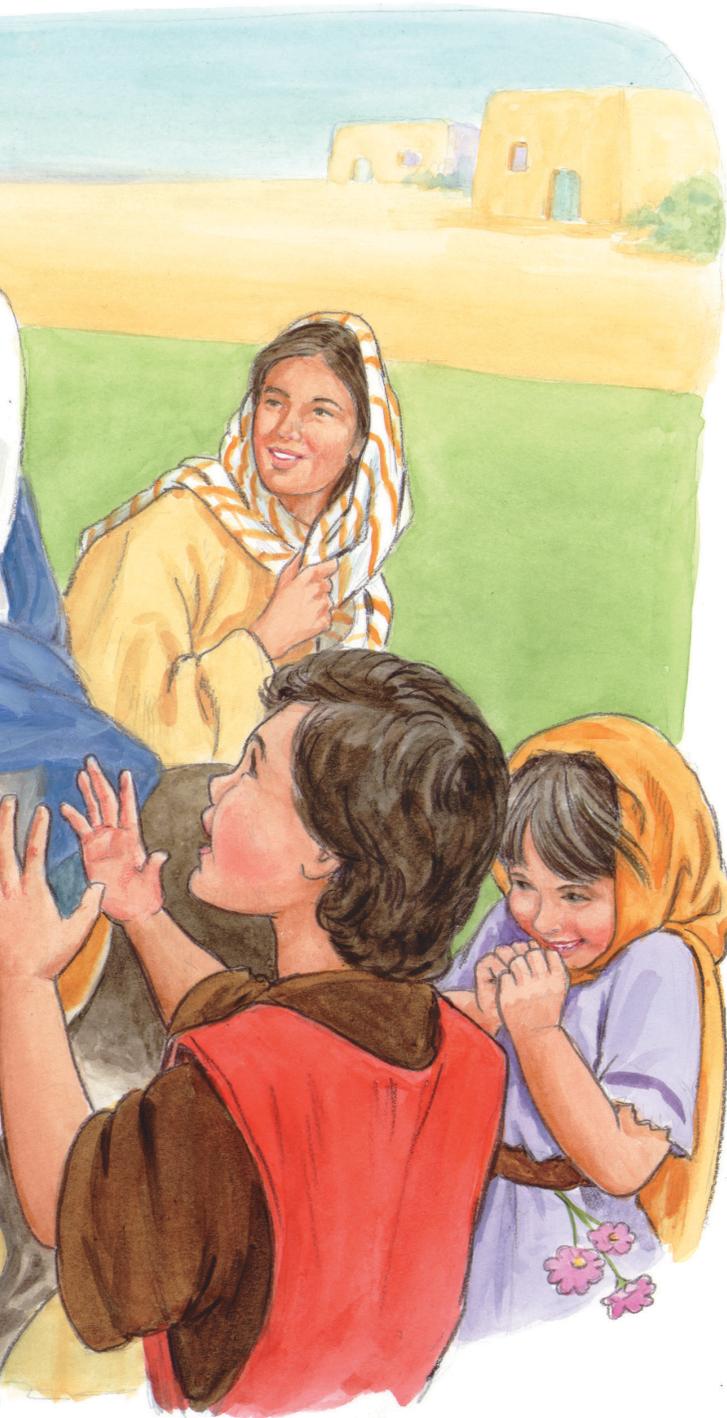
See the donkey.  
[Point to the  
donkey.] Jesus will  
ride on the donkey.  
Jesus and the donkey  
will be in a parade.

The boys and girls  
want to see Jesus.  
[Point to the children.]









See Jesus!” the children shout.

*[Point to Jesus.]*

“Jesus looks like a king!” Jesus sits straight and tall on the little donkey.

*[Give child a cloth to wave or spoons to clap.]* Yea for King Jesus!



**H**osanna!  
Son of  
King David!”

Hear the people  
shout! *[Point to Jesus,  
then the people.]* See  
the children wave.  
*[Wave a cloth or  
scarf.]*

The little donkey  
walks. *[Point to the  
donkey.]* Clip-clop-clip.

The people take  
off their coats and  
cover the road. *[Point  
to the coats.]* Clip-  
clop-clip. The donkey  
walks on the coats.

What a parade!  
*[Wave and clap.]*









See the palm  
branches. *[Give  
child green leaves to  
wave.]* The children  
wave palms.  
“Hosanna!” they shout.  
“Hosanna to our  
King!”

The parade is  
coming closer. *Clip-  
clop-clip.*

Jesus is *our* king.  
We can wave palms  
too. *[Wave green  
leaves.]* We can sing  
praises to Jesus.



See the angry men. *[Point to the Pharisees.]* Count them: 1-2-3. Three angry men say, “Hush the children!”

But the parade goes on.

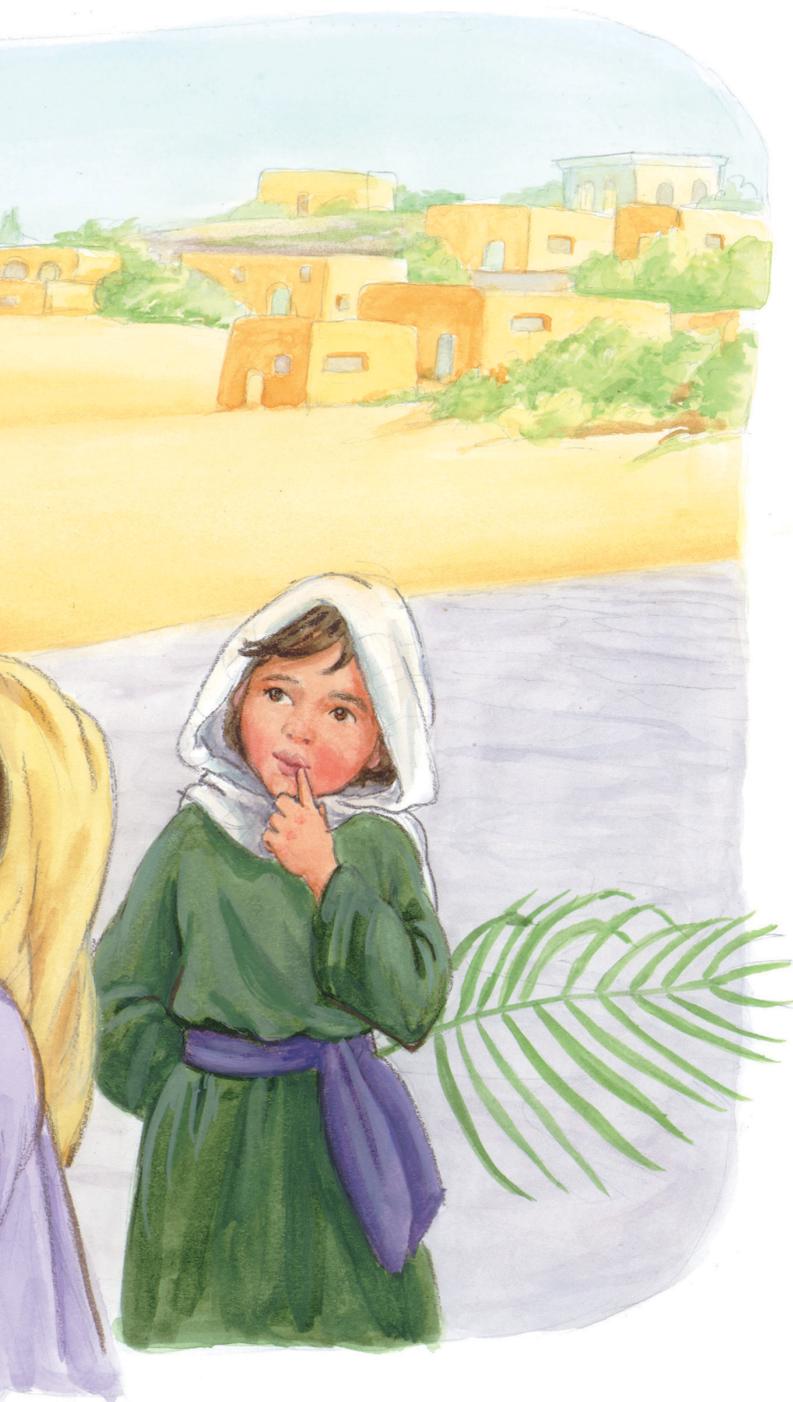
“Don’t stop the children!” Jesus says.

*Clip-clop-clip*, the donkey steps on the coats. Yea! *[Wave the cloth.]*









See Jesus.  
[Point to Jesus.]  
Jesus is looking at the  
great city.

[Softly in a sad  
voice] “Oh, great  
city! Jesus loves your  
people! Jesus loves  
your children—all the  
time! But you do not  
love Him.” See the big  
tears on Jesus’ face.  
Jesus is sad. [Use the  
cloth to dab at your  
eyes.] Don’t cry, Jesus.



We love You,  
Jesus!”

See, Jesus smiles.

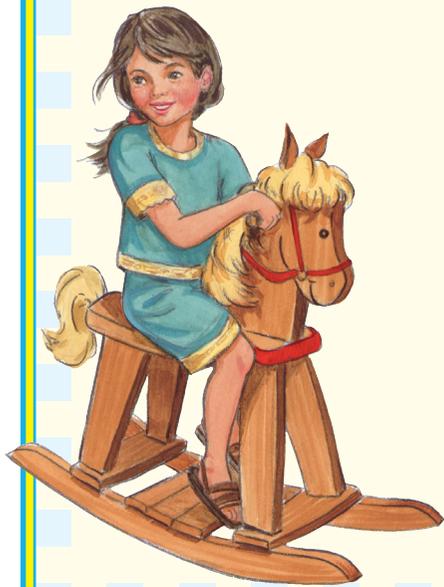
*[Point to Jesus’ smiling  
face.]*

*Clip-clop-clip.* The  
parade moves again.

The donkey steps on  
the coats. The children  
shout “Hosanna!”

*[Shout.]* The palms  
wave! *[Wave green  
leaves.]*

What a parade!





# Do & Say

Record your child's attempt at saying "Praise Him" or singing praises to Jesus. Play it back and listen.

Take a walk with your child, around your neighborhood and praise Jesus for the things you see. Sing the memory verse song as you walk.

Partially fill a toilet paper roll with rice, beans, lentils, or gravel. Seal each end with waxed paper or other material. Let your child shake the instrument as you sing a praise song to Jesus.

Study these suggestions for something to do each day. Select those that are appropriate for your child's developmental stage and repeat them often.

Use your quiet voice to whisper praises into your child's ear. Encourage your child to whisper them to you.

Have a parade. March around your house as you sing praises to Jesus.



Go outside and use your loud voices to shout praises to Jesus. Teach your child to shout "Hosanna!"

Help your child think of three things for which to praise Jesus. Count them on their fingers. Take turns with your child jumping up as you list the items.

Sing "Praise Him, Praise Him" as you praise Jesus today. Use your hands to clap and praise Jesus as you sing.

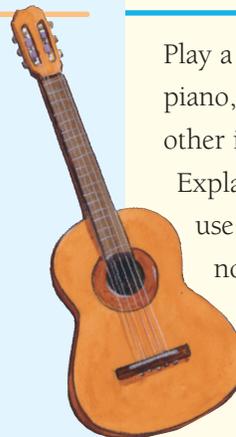
Make some different animal sounds while your child guesses what animal it is. Finish with a donkey sound. Remind your child that Jesus rode on a donkey.

Let your child wave a scarf or strip of cloth while you sing praises to Jesus together.



Hide some objects around your home. Have a treasure hunt and praise Jesus for each object your child discovers.

If possible, take your child to a petting zoo or farm. Ask the caretaker to let your child touch a donkey.



Gather some leaves or make some with paper. Wave them in praise to Jesus as you sing the memory verse song.

Hide a picture of a donkey or a toy stuffed donkey. Help your child find the donkey.

Play a note on a piano, guitar, or other instrument. Explain that we use musical notes to sing praises to Jesus.