OTHER WORDS TO RECALL THIS WEEK

During this Holy Week as you journey with Jesus, you could take time to recall the second reading of this week and use this to keep a close connection with Jesus as you work and pray.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.



LIVING WORD

WEEK 6:

Blessing on Him who comes



READ OUT LOUD

FROM THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW 21: 1—11

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.'

This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

'Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them.

A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, 'Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!'

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.

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REFLECT

- What words or phrases strike you in this passage?
- In what way is your relationship with Jesus a blessing for you ?
- Has there been moments in your faith journey when it was clear Jesus was walking with you ?

RESPOND

As we journey into the holiest week of the year we give thanks for the blessings of Christ presence with us, as we say:

Blessed are you Lord

We bless you O God for sending your Son Jesus Blessed are you Lord

We bless you O God for his life giving message Blessed are you Lord

We bless you O God for his teaching and healing **Blessed** are you Lord

We bless you O God for his death and resurrection **Blessed are you Lord**



REST

Now take time to rest with a phrase, repeating it in your heart or out loud. Choose one you are most drawn to:

- Look, your king is coming to you
- Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord
- Who is this?

