

Small Group Discussion Guide

Series: *Between Two Trees* | Part 4: *Waiting in the Garden*

BIG Idea: Jesus entered Jerusalem as King—but He saves through surrender, not spectacle.

Application: Follow Jesus faithfully—even when His way challenges your expectations.

Discussion Questions

Icebreaker: Have you ever expected something to go one way, only for it to turn out completely different? How did you respond?

1. Why do you think the crowd on Palm Sunday misunderstood Jesus' mission, even while praising Him?
2. What does "Hosanna" reveal about what the people were really longing for?
3. In what ways do people today still create their own version of Jesus?
4. One of the statements from the message was, "A welcomed King is not always a surrendered-to King." What do you think that means, and how does it challenge you?
5. What does the contrast between Eden and Gethsemane teach us about obedience?
6. Why is it significant that Jesus wept over Jerusalem (Luke 19:41–42)?
7. What does it look like in real life to "follow Jesus to the garden"?
8. Where might God be calling you to trust Him beyond your understanding right now?
9. How can we tell the difference between shallow faith and mature faith?
10. What would it look like this week to follow Jesus not just in celebration, but in surrender?

Prayer Prompt: Pray that God would reveal any false expectations you may have placed on Jesus, and ask for the strength to trust Him fully—even when His way is difficult or unclear.

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