

Palm Sunday: The Cloaked Jesus

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Mark 10:46-11:11

Community Group Questions

- 1. ICE BREAKER:** Can you share a time when you went through a life-altering experience that you didn't grasp the full significance of at the time but only realized later how impactful it was.
- 2. Mark structures his Gospel around a common theme of people not understanding that Jesus was the Son of God and how that truth would impact them. (Divide up these verses among your group and read: Mark 1:11, 1:24-25, 3:11, 4:41, 5:7, 6:14-16, 8:27-29, 9:7)**
 1. From these verses, who DID seem to know who Jesus was and His full significance? Why was it easy for them to know?
 2. From these verses, who was confused as to Jesus' real identity? Why was it difficult for them to grasp?
 3. Does this shock you at all? Why/why not?
- 3. Do you think that Jesus made it easier or more difficult for people to know He was God in human flesh? Why did He do that? (Extra credit: Does this have anything to do with how easy it was for those applauding Jesus' entrance on Palm Sunday to demand His death just 5 days later?)**
- 4. What is the significance of a blind man named Bartimaeus declaring Jesus' identity in a large crowd of people?**
- 5. Do you think it is difficult for our world today to appreciate the identity and full significance of Jesus Christ? Why or why not?**
- 6. What is one thing God is asking you to stop doing, start doing, and/or keep doing in order to be a good conduit of God's promises and blessings to you?**
- 7. How did God use this message to teach, train, challenge, encourage, or equip you?**

VCB Prayer Focus: Thank God for our Deacons as they continue to care for the various needs of our body through Share the Care and personally.

VCE Prayer Focus: Pray for our Elders as they continue to do ministry together and shoulder ministry demands and pray for our Deacons in training!