

The Rock, Sunday 5th April 2020

Psalm 104 Praise the LORD! Palm Sunday

Warm up

Dance to, join in with the actions (if you can remember them) and sing our Rock song.

This video has the words:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dcAG4PbNXaA>

This video has the actions: <https://youtu.be/8dbOgbRxC1M>



Story - Jesus Enters Jerusalem



John 12 v 12-16

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+12%3A12-16&version=ICB>

Think about verse 15 and how God doesn't want us to be afraid, "Don't be afraid". Discuss how we can praise God because he is always with us, and make a list of what else we can thank and praise God for.

Song

Use the song in the link below. Join in!

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NSBR-r9B_94

The Point: To encourage the young people to be more free and confident in their praise of God.



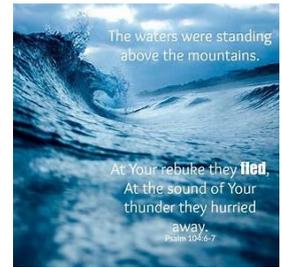
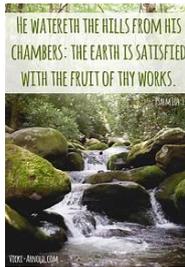
Bible passage and craft ideas

1. Read Psalm 104- see the link below

<https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm+104&version=NIV>

A beautiful Psalm praising God for His creation. The challenge is for the children to make a large montage or picture depicting these verses using furniture, cushions, materials, drapes and anything else they can find or choose one section of the Psalm to create a collage of.

The Point: A creative meditation on Psalm 104.



2. This creative prayer activity gives any adults time to reflect on what they would have thought and called out if they had been present as Jesus rode by on the way to Jerusalem.

It also gives children an opportunity to write or draw what they would have cried out to Jesus if they had seen Him. It might be a good time to remember that one of the names of Jesus is Healer and we could call out to Him to heal our world

Cut out a palm leaf shape and encourage the children to Imagine you were standing by the road when Jesus walked by, riding a donkey. What would you have called out as you waved your palm branch? Write your thoughts out on the palm leaf.

The Point: To encourage adults and children to respond and reflect personally on the story.

(Material taken from Energize by Urban Saints - <https://www.energize.uk.net/>)