Luke 19 Sunday Connection Questions

Welcome

Summary

Alex looked at the story of Psalm Sunday as Jesus enters Jerusalem just a week before he is crucified. Jesus intentionally orchestrates this and fulfils at least three major Old Testament promises. By riding a donkey he declares himself the king of Zechariah's promise. The chanting of the crowds from Psalm 118 shows he is the saviour. The promise of rocks crying out that he is the judge. It is laden with both Old Testament meaning but also immediate relevance as to who Jesus truly is.

Questions that might help stimulate discussion

- 1. Can you imagine being in the crowd or even one of the closer disciples what would have been your first reaction to all that went on?
- 2. What immediately struck you about today's teaching?

The donkey, the crowd's chanting, and the stones all have importance in fulfilling Old Testament predictions in Jesus.

- 3. What is revealing to you about the paradox of Jesus riding a donkey?
- 4. What do you think the crowds expectations of Jesus were?
- 5. The change of tone and focus when we comes to the stones is marked this is now about judgment; and how a refusal to meet Jesus as saviour means you will meet him as a judge. What reflects that stir in you?
- 6. How might you take the teaching of the 'stones crying out' and Jesus' role as Judge and explain it to a non-Christian?