



### Bible Story:

#### Palm Sunday

Matthew 21:1-11, 15-16; Mark 11:1-10; Luke 19:28-38

### Need to Know:

#### Leaders

(thumbs to chest)

#### Celebrate!

(cheer)

### Materials:

- Small Candy Prizes
- Bear Hunt Guide
- Hand Sanitizer
- Snacks
- God's Story for Me Bible
- Coloring Sheets
- Crayons
- Filler Guide

### Application Activity Summary:

Kids will go on a "bear hunt" in search of ways we can be leaders by celebrating Jesus and others!

## Get Their Attention! (5 minutes)

Materials: Small Candy Prizes

**WELCOME** kids to Camp Wannastay! **EXPLAIN** that we will have so much fun pretending to camp while we learn how to be leaders!

**INTRODUCE** yourself to the group as their leader. Then **SAY**:

(Cheer) *Hooray! I am so excited you campers are here today! Today we are going to celebrate each one of you! You can repeat after me!*

(**SAY** any of the following cheers, inserting child's name. Allow kids to repeat.)

- *Hey, Hey! What do you say? We all say hey to (child's name)!*
- *Howdy (child's name)! Welcome to camp today!*
- *Hip-hip-hooray! (Child's name) is here today!*
- *One, two, three! Who do you see? We see (child's name)!*

**AFTER** all kids have been introduced, **SAY**:

*To celebrate you being here today, I have a tasty treat to share with you! (Give each child one **small candy prize**.)*

*Before you eat your tasty treat, say this after me: (Pause to allow kids to repeat)*

**Leaders** (thumbs to chest)  
**Celebrate!** (cheer)

*Great job! You can eat your tasty treat now! (Kids can eat **small candy prize**.)*

## Application Activity (7 minutes)

Materials: Bear Hunt Guide

1. **EXPLAIN** "Going on a Bear Hunt" game for kids:

- Kids will **REPEAT** each line of the chant as leader **READS** from the **Bear Hunt Guide**.
- Leader and kids will **ACT** out motions and respond to chant.

2. Continue playing until Bear Hunt is complete, or as time allows. Then **SAY**:

*We can celebrate Jesus because He is the **MOST** special person! Jesus thinks we are all special, too, so He also wants us to celebrate each other!*

*This week, don't forget that* (have kids repeat after you):

**Leaders** (thumbs to chest)  
**Celebrate!** (cheer)

**Review Questions:**

Use these questions to review what kids learned today as they color:

- **In the Bible Story today, were the people SCARED to see Jesus or GLAD to see Jesus?** (Glad to see Jesus)
- **Did the children shout MEAN things to Jesus, or did they shout PRAISES to Jesus?** (Shouted praises to Jesus)
- **Can we celebrate Jesus?** (Yes) **Yes!** **We can celebrate Jesus by singing songs and shouting praises to Him!** **We can be happy for others, too!**

**Wrap It Up (3 minutes)**

Materials: Hand Sanitizer, Snacks, *God's Story for Me Bible*, Coloring Sheets, Crayons, Filler Guide

**PRAY** with your group, having them repeat the following after you in short phrases.

**Dear Jesus, I love you! Please help me to be happy and to celebrate others. Thank you for my snack. I love you! In your name I pray. Amen!**

**SANITIZE** hands with **hand sanitizer** and **PASS OUT snacks**.

**SHOW** and **READ** p.409-414 from *God's Story for Me Bible* ("Palm Sunday") as kids **EAT snacks**.

**GIVE** each child a **coloring sheet** and **crayons**. Ask questions, on left, as your group colors.

**EXPLAIN** and **PRACTICE** Remember Verse by saying:

**When we are leaders, we are setting an example for others to follow. Like when your brother has a birthday party, and gets lots of presents, you can celebrate your brother instead of getting mad because he received presents and you did not.**

(**SAY** each Remember Verse phrase and allow kids to repeat.)

**"Set an example** (thumbs to chest)

**For others** (point to others)

**By what you say** (cup hands to mouth)

**And do."** (pound fists)

**1 Timothy 4:12** (show four fingers)

**REMIND** kids that if they can say the verse next week, they will win a special **Prize**!

**USE Filler Guide** to keep kids engaged for the remainder of the small group.