



Palm Sunday

Discussion Questions Branded

1. Have you ever been branded in a way that was true or fair? Untrue or unfair? Explain.
2. In John 12:12-19 the Apostle seems to be emphasizing the various brands the people had put on Jesus. Discuss each group (ie. the crowd, the Pharisees and the disciples) and the various ways they had branded Jesus.
3. How have you branded others? Think of some people that you generally brand as something other than someone either in need of Jesus or washed by Jesus. Is there anyone that you have branded in a particular way that you struggle to see them as either redeemed or in need of redemption?
4. How have you branded yourself? Do you identify yourself with anything that gets in the way of your identity with Jesus?
5. How have you branded Jesus? Who is Jesus? What defining characteristics would you attribute to Jesus?
6. Pick a gospel, or all 4 of the gospels, and read through the whole thing asking yourself, "who is Jesus?" As you go through this exercise remember to remove any previous brands you have placed on Jesus and look at it afresh. How will you respond if you come across something that is inconsistent with your previous brand of Jesus?