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It was a wonderful day! Crowds of people were on their way to the Temple in Jerusalem. Jesus was going to the Temple, too. But first, Jesus asked two of His friends to bring Him a donkey. His friends found the donkey just where Jesus told them to go. After they brought the donkey to Jesus, they laid their coats over its back for Jesus to sit on as He rode into the city.

The people in the crowd heard that Jesus was coming. Some people cut branches from trees to welcome Jesus. They laid the branches on the road. Other people took off their coats and laid

them on the road. People welcomed Jesus the way they would welcome a king. They sang to Jesus, "Hosanna! Hosanna! God bless the One who comes in the name of the Lord!" ("Hosanna" means "Save us!")

The people in Jerusalem heard the singing. They saw the great big crowd coming. Even more people ran to see Jesus and shout "Hosanna!" Jesus rode the little donkey up to the Temple. Jesus got off the donkey and went into the Temple. The children danced around Him, singing and shouting "Hosanna!" What an exciting day it was!

Song: Ho, Ho, Ho, Sa-a-nna    Ha, Ha, Ha, He-lu-u-iah    He, He, He, He, Sa-aved me    Now, I've got the joy of the Lord!

Memory Verse: Psalm 47:6 Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.

Hallelujah means Praise the Lord. Hosanna means Lord save us. We should praise God for all He has done for us. Make a list of things that you should thank God for and that you can praise God for. We should be praising God everyday, not just on Sundays.