



**“The Unexpected King”**  
**Small Group Questions**  
**Week of April 2, 2023**

**Icebreaker:**

*What is your favorite type of transportation? Why? Or what is the strangest type of transportation you have ever traveled on?*

*How does the type of transportation we take or car we drive reveal things about our personalities?*

**Discussion Questions:**

1. Read Matthew 21: 1-11. As you picture the scene, what emotions do you think the people were feeling? What might they have been thinking?

Are there any aspects of this story that strike you as being significant or connected to other parts of Scripture?

2. Read Zechariah 9: 9-10. What is the significance of Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a colt?

How could verse 10 have impacted the messianic expectations of Jesus' day?

3. The people had ill-conceived or mistaken views about Jesus' messianic responsibilities. They believed he was coming as a conquering military leader instead of a humble suffering servant. What are ways we might protect ourselves from having incorrect views of Jesus?

What false expectations of Jesus exist in our culture today?

4. What wrong views about God/Jesus do you struggle with? Why?

5. Read Matthew 20: 25-28. How is Jesus different from the worldly leaders?

How does this knowledge empower us to approach him for help?

6. What are the things that hinder you from coming to Jesus for help?

What steps can you take this week to be mindful of seeking Him for help?