

St. John's EBCs, Everyday Bible Conversations!

EBC 3, 2, 1! – On Location in 2024! Leading to Worship Sunday, March 24, 2024

Reading: Mark 11:1-11

EBC focuses on bringing the Bible into our Everyday Lives, emphasizing God's Everyday presence by finding connections in our physical world! EBC also has a video component on the St. John's website and St. John's You Tube channel. This week's video finds us among the splendor of the University of Washington Cherry Blossom festival. Click here:

<https://youtu.be/EI4KLoYP0sc> Welcome to this week's EBC 3,2,1! Three points, two questions, and one action step!

Three Points

- In Mark 11:1-11, Jesus enters triumphantly into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday! On his way to Jerusalem from Bethany, his disciples borrow a colt for Jesus to ride on (they tell the owner they will bring it back!).
- Jesus enters Jerusalem to great crowds and cheers, with people laying their cloaks and leafy branches on the road. But Mark includes almost no other detail, other than that Jesus looked around at everything at the Temple.
- Then, "as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve." (Mark 11:11)

Two Questions

- What do you think about the story of the disciples borrowing the colt? If Jesus told you he had need of your car, how would you feel about also asking Jesus if he was going to bring it back? So why do you think Jesus tells his disciples to offer that Jesus is going to return the colt?
- Why did Jesus enter Jerusalem, including with the deliberate pageantry of riding in on a colt? He had started these events in Bethany, and ended them in Bethany, so what was the purpose of his triumphant entry? Can you think of instances where God simply gives you opportunities to rejoice and praise him for your own joy?

Action Step

- This week, there will be times when God is simply giving you a moment to see him and give thanks and praise! See at least one . . . and give him thanks and praise!

Don't like these questions? Do these verses say something different to you? Great! What it is?

And as always, you are encouraged to find a friend (or two or many) and take an EBC coffee break! Find 15-25 minutes somewhere in the week and share your faith. Have fun finding God this week in your Everyday Life!