

How many faces?

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Matthew 21:9

The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

Dear Jesus, our voices join with the voices of the people in Jerusalem some two thousand years ago. Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Amen



Crossword:

**Listen CAREFULLY to the Reading and fill in the blank spaces.
Afterwards you will be able to complete the crossword puzzle below.**

Matthew 21:1-11 (CEV) Palms Liturgy

15 across) When Jesus and his _____ came near Jerusalem, he went to

17 down) Bethpage on the Mount of _____ and sent two of them on ahead.

2 down) He told them, "Go into the next _____, where you will at once

16 across) find a _____ and her colt. Untie the two donkeys and bring them to me.

14 across) If anyone asks why you are doing that, just say, 'The _____ needs them.'

13 down) Right _____ he will let you have the donkeys."

3 across) So God's _____ came true, just as the prophet had said,

8 across) Announce to the people of Jerusalem: 'Your _____ is coming to you!

21 across) He is _____ and rides on a donkey. He comes on the colt of a donkey! "

9 across) The disciples left and did what _____ had told them to do.

18 down) They brought the donkey and its colt and _____ some

5 across) _____ on their backs. Then Jesus got on.

12 down) Many people spread clothes in the _____, while others

1 down) put down _____ which they had cut from trees.

20 across) Some people _____ ahead of Jesus and others followed behind.

19 across) They were all _____, "Hooray for the Son of David!

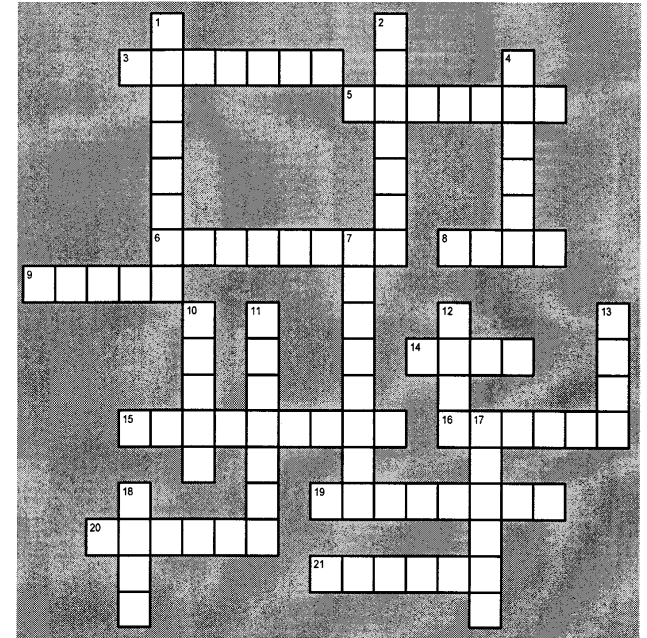
10 down) God _____ the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

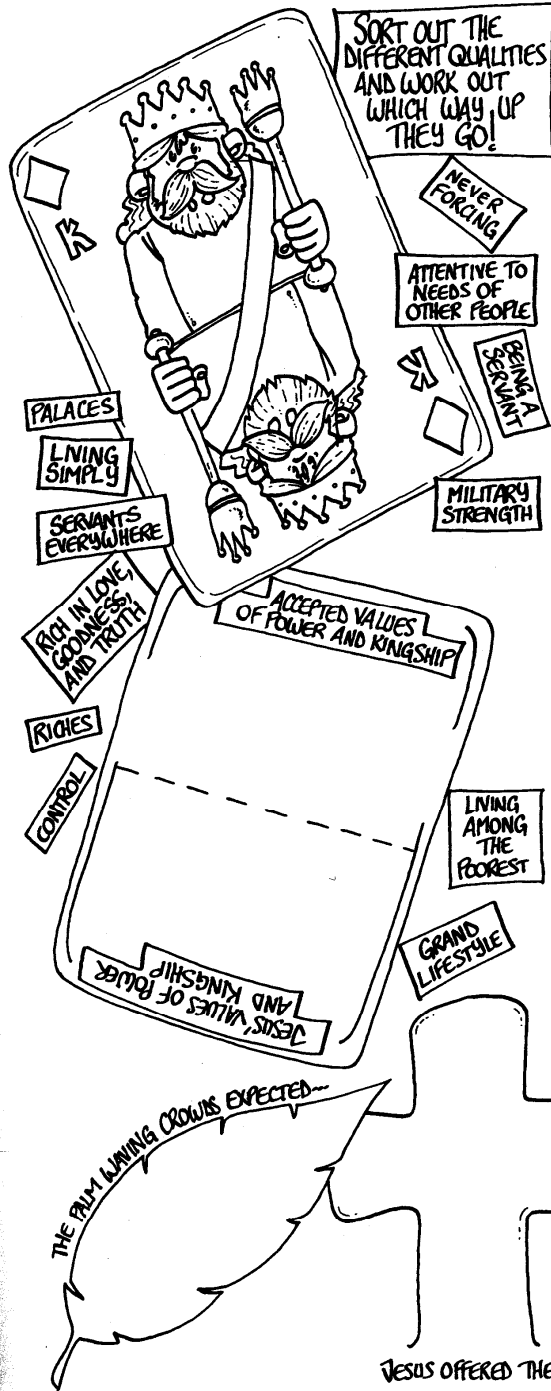
4 down) Hooray for God in _____ above!"

6 across) When Jesus came to Jerusalem, _____ in the city was

11 down) _____ and asked, "Who can this be?"

7 down) The crowd answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from _____ in Galilee."





A HERO OR A FAILURE

DID JESUS HAVE A FAN CLUB?

Yes - crowds of people gathered and shouted for him as he rode into Jerusalem. They wanted to have him as their king.

HE WAS THEIR KING IN A WAY, WASN'T HE?

That's right, he was. But they were excited about him getting an army together and pushing the Romans out.

THAT DOESN'T SOUND LIKE JESUS' STYLE.

No. Love doesn't work that way.

DID THEY TURN AGAINST HIM BECAUSE THEIR IDEAS WERE DIFFERENT FROM HIS?

Partly. Some were disappointed in him, yes. Some of it was crowd control by the leaders who wanted Jesus out of the way.

SO JESUS BECAME A REAL HERO BY BEING A FAILURE?

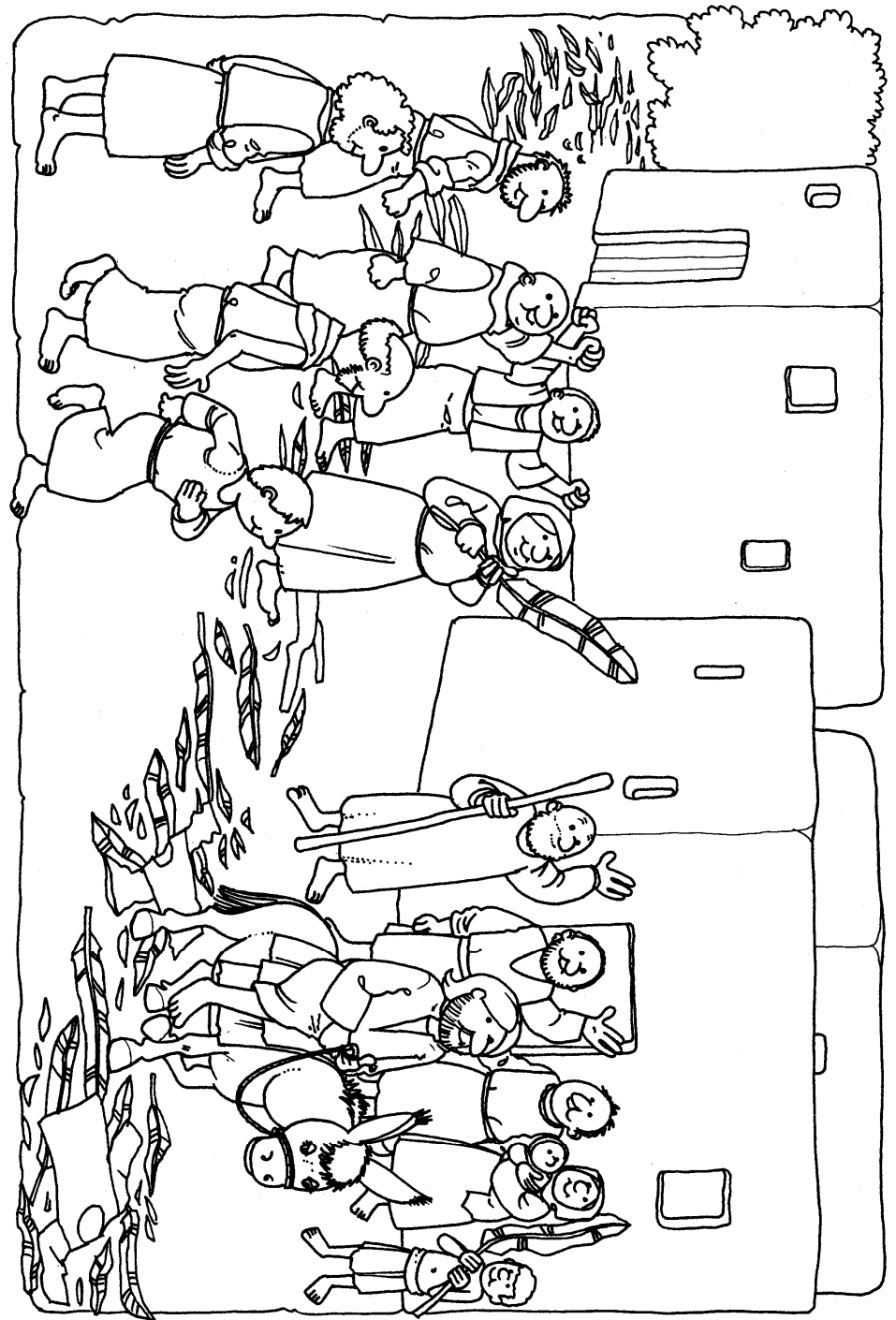
Yes, he did. If he'd tried to be the hero, he'd have failed to save us.

GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD,
FOR HE IS GOOD;
HIS LOVE ENDURES FOR EVER.
IN MY ANGUISH I CRIED
TO THE LORD, AND HE
ANSWERED BY SETTING ME
FREE.

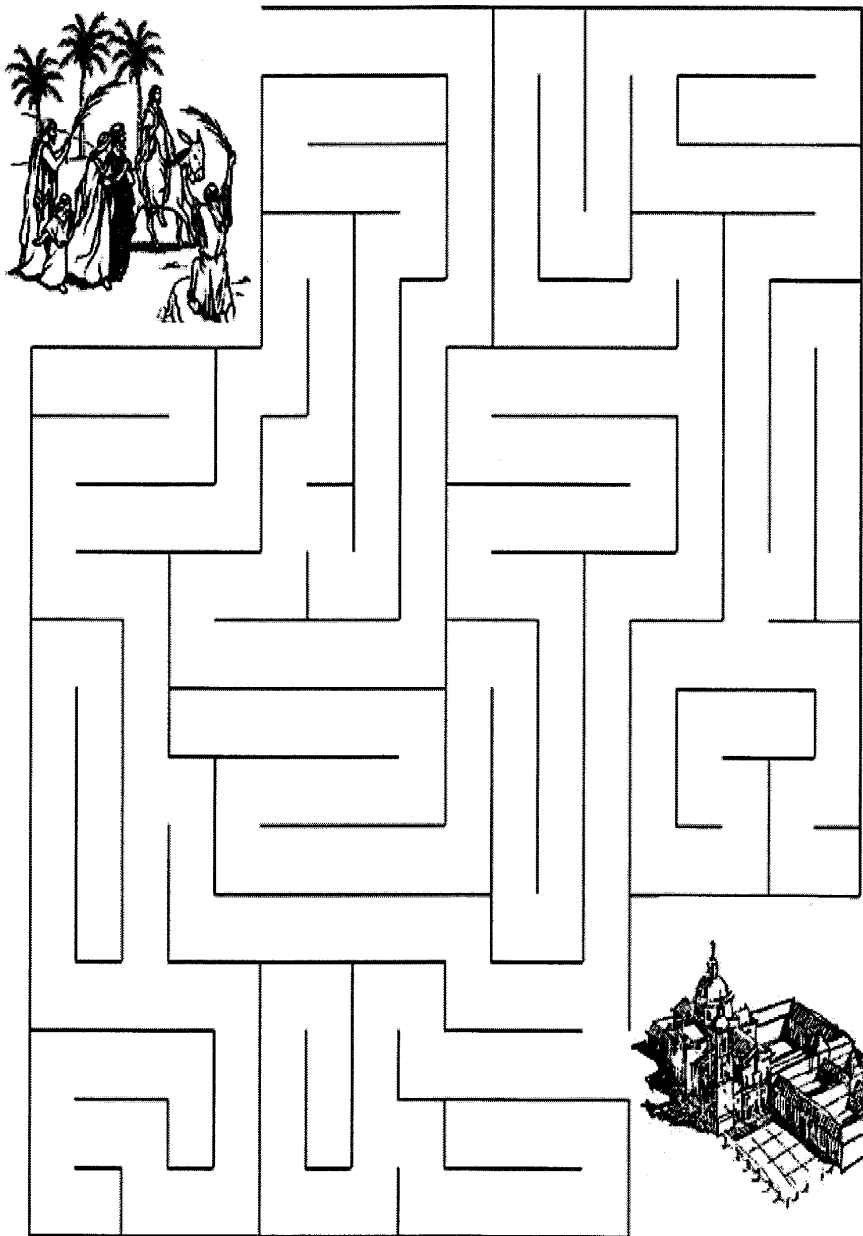
THE LORD IS WITH ME;
I WILL NOT BE AFRAID.
GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD,
FOR HE IS GOOD;
HIS LOVE ENDURES FOR EVER.

-AMEN-

(FROM PSALM 118)



Follow Jesus through the streets of Jerusalem.



 **Word Search: Matthew 21:1-11 (CEV)**

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