

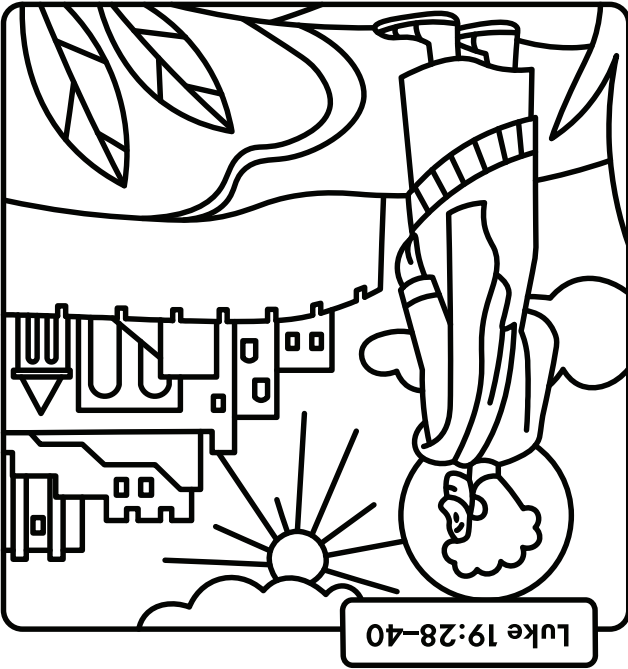
4. Crowds of people ran to the city gates. Some were curious, some were furious, and some exploded with excitement as they threw down their cloaks and danced with palm branches, crying out, "Blessed is this king who was sent by God!"



3. When the disciples came back with the baby donkey, Jesus sat down and rode it up to Jerusalem. News traveled fast that the man on the colt was Jesus from Nazareth, the rabbi who performed many miracles and said he was the "Son of God."



1. Every year, Jesus and the disciples traveled to Jerusalem to celebrate Passover. But this year was different. Instead of celebration, Jesus knew he was stepping into sorrow. So, he wanted to use this opportunity to show people God's realm of peace.



2. Before entering the city, Jesus told two of the disciples to walk to a nearby village and bring back a baby donkey. "If anyone tries to stop you," Jesus said, "just tell them God needs to borrow it."

