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Talk title: The Coming Unexpected King

Bible verses: Mark 11:1-11

What are the main points?

- Ever crowd is made up of individuals.
- There would have been very different characters in the crowd, with different responses to the coming King.
- It's important that we look up towards the coming King and hear what he says to us.
- The crowd turned very quickly from shouting Hosannas to "crucify him!, crucify him!". They were easily persuaded to change their mind by the people of the day.

Questions to prompt conversation...

- What are the main points that jump out to you from this passage?
- Whose voices speak loudly into your life, from your past and today?
- How can we lift people's chins when they are overwhelmed by their circumstances and encourage them to look up to Jesus?
- How can we encourage people to be thankful for what they have rather than being consumed by what they are lacking?
- How easily are you persuaded & influenced?
- How to we combat the toxic influences that our young people are subjected to on a daily basis?
- How might we develop a 'resilient faith' in our young people and encourage them not to put down their palm branches when the going gets tough?
- Do you need to 'plant a garden' where you are at the moment? What's stopping you?