April 8, ch. 11: 17-27, 43, 44), and were eager to tell of it to the people of Jerusalem. Bare record; Rev. Ver., "witness." They told others about the miracle.

18, 19. For this cause also (Rev. Ver.); because they had heard of the raising of Lazarus. The multitude (Rev. Ver.); the second multitude coming out from Jerusalem. Went and met him (Rev. Ver.); so that we have here an account of two crowds, the one coming with Jesus from Bethany and the other meeting him from Jerusalem, full of eager curiosity because of the wonderful story. This miracle; Rev. Ver., "sign." Other miracles had made comparatively little impression, but this one convinced even the adversaries of Jesus, that he was the Messiah. The Pharisees therefore said. These religious leaders saw their power over the people slipping from their grasp, and this made them bitter. Prevail nothing. "So still," says Dr. R. E. Speer, "Christ's foes prevail nothing. He abides." The world is gone after him; "everybody." as we would say.

THE GEOGRAPHY LESSON



One of the roads from Bethany to Jerusalem, on leaving Bethany, passes over a spur of the mountain, which runs out to the southeast; from here a view is obtained of the city, then the road descends into a

hollow, and mounting again by a rugged ascent, it reaches a ledge of smooth rock from which the whole city bursts into view. Nowhere else on the Mount of Olives is there a view like this. It was just the place for the outburst of popular acclamation which greeted Jesus on that memorable day.

LESSON QUESTIONS

12 On what day was Jesus' entry into Jerusalem? What had happened on the previous day? Who were the "much people?" What feast is here referred to?

Where are we told that the "common people" heard Jesus gladly? (Mark 12:37.)

13 Of what were palm branches a symbol? Explain "Kosanna." On what occasions was Ps. 118 sung? Whom did the people recognize Jesus to be?

14-16 On what animal did Jesus ride? What prophecy was thus fulfilled? What sort of king is Jesus? Find a famous passage in Isaiah which describes his gentleness. (Isa. 42:2,3.) How did the disciples of Jesus misunderstand him? When was their misunderstanding removed? Give Paul's description of the kingdom of God. (Rom. 14:17.)

17 Who are "the multitude" (Rev. Ver.) in this verse? What miracle had they seen? What were they eager to do?

18, 19 Who are "the multitude" (Rev Ver) in v. 18? How were they impressed by "this miracle?" How did the Pharisees feel? Why? What did they say? Who were afterwards charged with turning "the world upside down?" (Acts 17:6.)

FOR DISCUSSION

- 1. Should popularity be sought after?
- 2. Would Jesus be received joyfully into any of our cities?

A PRAYER

Father, we thank thee for the story of Jesus' riding in triumph into Jerusalem, and we praise thee that the day is coming when to him every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that he is Lord of all. Teach us to do our part in hastening that glorious day As we join the chorus of praise to thee, let our hearts be pure and our lives he free from sin. Make us glad worshipper of thee, and save us and thy people in all the world. For thy name's sake. Amen.

Prove from Scripture—That Jesus is a king. Shorter Catechism—Review Questions 88-91.

The Question on Missions—5. What are the results of the medical work? Many sick people have been cured, and many lives saved; many friends have been made all over the country, who welcome Christian missionaries and catechists who visit their villages. Many patients and their friends have left their idols to follow Christ.

FOR WRITTEN ANSWERS

	Describe Jesus' entry into Jerusalem.
2.	What led the people to receive him in this way?
3.	What was the effect upon the Pharisees?
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