





## WEEKLY GROUP GUIDE

	<b>Scripture:</b>	Zechariah 9:9–10
	<b>Week of:</b>	March 29, 2026
	<b>Message Title:</b>	Rejoice Greatly! Your King Is Coming
	<b>Speaker:</b>	Ps. Lenard Tavernelli

### **1. ICEBREAKER (5–10 MINS)**

What is something you have looked forward to so much that it changed how you felt or acted before it even arrived?

### **2. READ TOGETHER**

*Have someone from your group read aloud **ZECHARIAH 9:9–10**.*

**Ask:** As you listen, pay attention to the commands and promises in the passage. What stands out to you most about the kind of King Zechariah describes, and what kind of kingdom He brings?

### **3. Group Discussion (30–40 mins)**

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:** *(Use the most helpful questions for your group.)*

- 1.** God tells His people to rejoice greatly before their circumstances have changed. Why is it hard to rejoice by faith when life still feels discouraging, uncertain, or heavy?
- 2.** Pastor Lenard said the Bible calls us to align our inner life with what is truly real, not with whatever we happen to feel. Where are you most tempted to let your emotions or circumstances define reality instead of letting God's Word define reality and how you should respond and feel?
- 3.** Zechariah says, "Behold, your king is coming to you." What difference does it make that Jesus comes to His people, rather than waiting for them to climb their way up to Him?

4. This King is righteous. How does Christ's righteousness comfort you when you experience shame, have compromised, or are aware of your failures?
5. Pastor Lenard emphasized that this King is delivered and triumphant, even though He goes through the cross. Where do you struggle to believe that God can still be working in victory through what looks weak, delayed, or disappointing?
6. Jesus comes lowly and mounted on a donkey. What does His humility expose about the kind of strength, leadership, or control you instinctively trust in?
7. Verse 10 says this King will speak peace to the nations. Where in your life do you most need the peace of Christ right now, not superficial calm, but true peace that comes from being reconciled to God?
8. The sermon called us not only to receive Christ's peace, but to be peacemakers and proclaimers of peace. Who in your life needs to hear the gospel of peace this week, and what would faithfulness look like toward them?
9. **How does Zechariah 9:9–10 connect to our mission to "Proclaim the truth of Jesus and grow mature disciples for the glory of God"?**

This passage helps us proclaim the truth of Jesus by showing clearly what kind of King He is. He is righteous, triumphant, humble, and He brings peace through His saving work. We proclaim Jesus rightly when we announce not just that He came, but that He reigns and will come again to establish peace to the ends of the earth. Mature disciples are formed as we learn to trust His kingship, rejoice by faith, and live as people who receive and proclaim His peace.

**10. How does this passage reshape our core values as a church?**

- **Worship:** We rejoice because our King has come and is coming again.
- **Bible Knowledge:** Scripture teaches us to see Jesus rightly and to understand His kingdom.
- **Fellowship:** Christ's peace binds us together as one people under one King.
- **Prayer:** We bring our anxieties and unrest to the Prince of Peace.
- **Service:** We follow a lowly King, so we serve others with humility.

- **Giving:** We loosen our grip on self-protection and trust the reign of Christ.
- **Evangelism:** We proclaim peace in Jesus to those who are far off and near.
- **Missions:** We live for the day when His rule extends to all nations.

#### ***4. Prayer (10–15 mins)***

Thank God for sending our righteous and humble King, and ask Him to help us live in His peace and proclaim it to others.

**Prompt:**

Father, thank You that our King has come to us in Jesus Christ. Thank You that He is righteous, victorious, and humble, and that through Him we have peace with You. Forgive us for the ways we doubt, fear, and put our confidence in ourselves or in the powers of this world. Teach us to rejoice by faith, even when life feels heavy or uncertain. Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts, shape our life together, and move us outward to proclaim the good news of peace to others. In Jesus' name, amen.