

# lifegroups

DISCIPLESHIP TRAINING

## Session #1— July 5, 2026

**Title:** Rejoice! The King is Here!

**Theme:** Praise

**Scripture:** Zechariah 9:9-12 (NIV)

**Objective:** During this session, the learner will gain more insight on how faith in Jesus Christ allows us to enjoy the same hope, peace and salvation that the Israelites experienced.

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### Outreach from Previous Week:

What is one specific, actionable step you can take this week to show love to a person who tests your patience?

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### Training Text: Zechariah 9:9-12 (NIV)

<sup>9</sup>*Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion!*

*Shout, Daughter Jerusalem!*

*See, your king comes to you,  
righteous and victorious,  
lowly and riding on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.*

<sup>10</sup>*I will take away the chariots from Ephraim  
and the warhorses from Jerusalem,  
and the battle bow will be broken.*

*He will proclaim peace to the nations.  
His rule will extend from sea to sea  
and from the River to the ends of the earth.*

<sup>11</sup>*As for you, because of the blood of my covenant  
with you,*

*I will free your prisoners from the waterless pit.*

<sup>12</sup>*Return to your fortress, you prisoners of hope;  
even now I announce that I will restore twice as  
much to you.*

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**Scripture Discussion | Zechariah 9:9**

- Name the metaphorical “daughters” used to announce the arrival of the “king.”
- Who is the “king” implied in this verse? Describe the king’s entry.

**Scripture Discussion | Zechariah 9:10**

- What’s taken from Ephraim and Jerusalem?
- What will the “king” proclaim and how far will his rule extend?

**Scripture Discussion | Zechariah 9:11-12**

- Why will prisoners be freed “from the waterless pit?”
- What directive and announcement do the prisoners receive?

**Discussion Questions:**

- What does it mean to be a “prisoner of hope?”

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- How can our faith in Jesus Christ and the promise of deliverance be a source of comfort when facing personal struggles?

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- If we really have faith in the Lord’s saving grace and mercy, how should this belief shape our attitudes, actions and outlook in the midst of contemporary societal and global issues?

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*Next Week’s Scripture: Matthew 13:18-23 (NIV)*

**Outreach:**

*Ask two people the following question: How can our faith in Jesus Christ and the promise of deliverance be a source of comfort when facing personal struggles?*

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Report your results in the group next week.