

Zechariah 1-14 Unit 17, Lesson 4

what we learned

God was going to help His people and give them a different kind of king. Jesus is the King who came and rode humbly on a donkey, just as Zechariah said. Because Zechariah's prophecy came true in Jesus, we can have hope and forgiveness of sins when we trust in Jesus.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Zechariah's two main messages were to look back at the past to remember God's goodness and to look forward to God making things better. He also warned them to not make the same mistakes as their parents and grandparents so they would not miss out on the coming King.
 - What are the best gifts God ever gave you?
 - Have you ever seen someone not take good care of the gifts God gave them? How did that make you feel?
 - If you see somebody act mean or break something, should you copy them? Why or why not?
- 2. After waiting 70 years to return to Jerusalem, God's people had to wait 400 more years for the Messiah King. Then Jesus arrived on a donkey, not all of the fancy expensive stuff that they expected their King would have. Jesus brings even better than nice things: Jesus gives love, forgiveness and eternal life.
 - It feels hard to wait a long time. Why is it sometimes good to wait?
 - Sometimes we get disappointed. Have you ever received something that was not what you expected but then it turned out much better than you thought?

MEMORY VERSE FOR THIS UNIT

"I know the thoughts that I think towards you, saith the Lord, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end." - Jeremiah 29:11

PRAY TOGETHER

Spend time this week praising God for the ways that He is committed to His people and the ways He has redeemed us. Pray together that God would bring new life and new hope to members of your family, your neighbors, and our city through the Gospel.

Ask each member of your family – adults included – to share one thing they would like prayer for. Have someone to pray for that person's request. Encourage your family to pray for that person for the entire week.

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