# Space for God What the Lord Needs

## PREPARATION

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord from the heavens!

Praise him from the skies! Psalms 148:1

#### CONFESSION

The high and lofty one who lives in eternity, the Holy One, says this:

"I live in the high and holy place

with those whose spirits are contrite and humble.

I restore the crushed spirit of the humble

and revive the courage of those with repentant hearts. Isaiah 57:15

## WORSHIP

Praise the Lord!
Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good!
His faithful love endures forever.

Who can list the glorious miracles of the Lord? Who can ever praise him enough? Psalm 106:1-2

### MEDITATION & CONTEMPLATION - Luke 19:29-40\*

As he came to the towns of Bethphage and Bethany on the Mount of Olives, he sent two disciples ahead. "Go into that village over there," he told them. "As you enter it, you will see a young donkey tied there that no

#### IN SOLITUDE AND/OR COMMUNITY

Read Slowly, several times.

Reflect What does the text say?

Respond How does it relate to my life?

Rest I welcome God's healing and renewal.

one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks, 'Why are you untying that colt?' just say, 'The Lord needs it."

So they went and found the colt, just as Jesus had said. And sure enough, as they were untying it, the owners asked them, "Why are you untying that colt?"

And the disciples simply replied, "The Lord needs it." So they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their garments over it for him to ride on.

As he rode along, the crowds spread out their garments on the road ahead of him. When he reached the place where the road started down the

Mount of Olives, all of his followers began to shout and sing as they walked along, praising God for all the wonderful miracles they had seen.

"Blessings on the King who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven, and glory in highest heaven!"

But some of the Pharisees among the crowd said, "Teacher, rebuke your followers for saying things like that!"

He replied, "If they kept quiet, the stones along the road would burst into cheers!"

## ANCHORING PRAYER

"Blessings on the King who comes in the name of the Lord!"

REVIEW OF THE HEART (previous 24 hours)

What wonderful miracles have I seen recently and praised God for?

What does the Lord need from me today?

## WISDOM

And you are living stones that God is building into his spiritual temple. What's more, you are his holy priests. Through the mediation of Jesus Christ, you offer spiritual sacrifices that please God. 1 Peter 2:5

The humble will see their God at work and be glad. Let all who seek God's help be encouraged. Psalm 69:32

TESTIMONY What is God saying to me?

INTERCESSION Prayers for the Church, for others, and for me.

## BENEDICTION

# Sovereign God,

You have established your rule over the human heart, Not by force but by the servant example of Jesus Christ. Move us by your Spirit to join the joyful procession Of those who confess Christ Jesus with their tongues and praise him with their lives.

Amen.

-The Revised Common Lectionary

SPACE FOR GOD DAILY

Be still and quiet before God.

Seek the Holy Spirit's filling and

Speak and act from a listening heart.

Actively serve in community with others.

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