

WEEK 2: Palm Sunday

Big Idea: Jesus rescues us.

HANGOUT

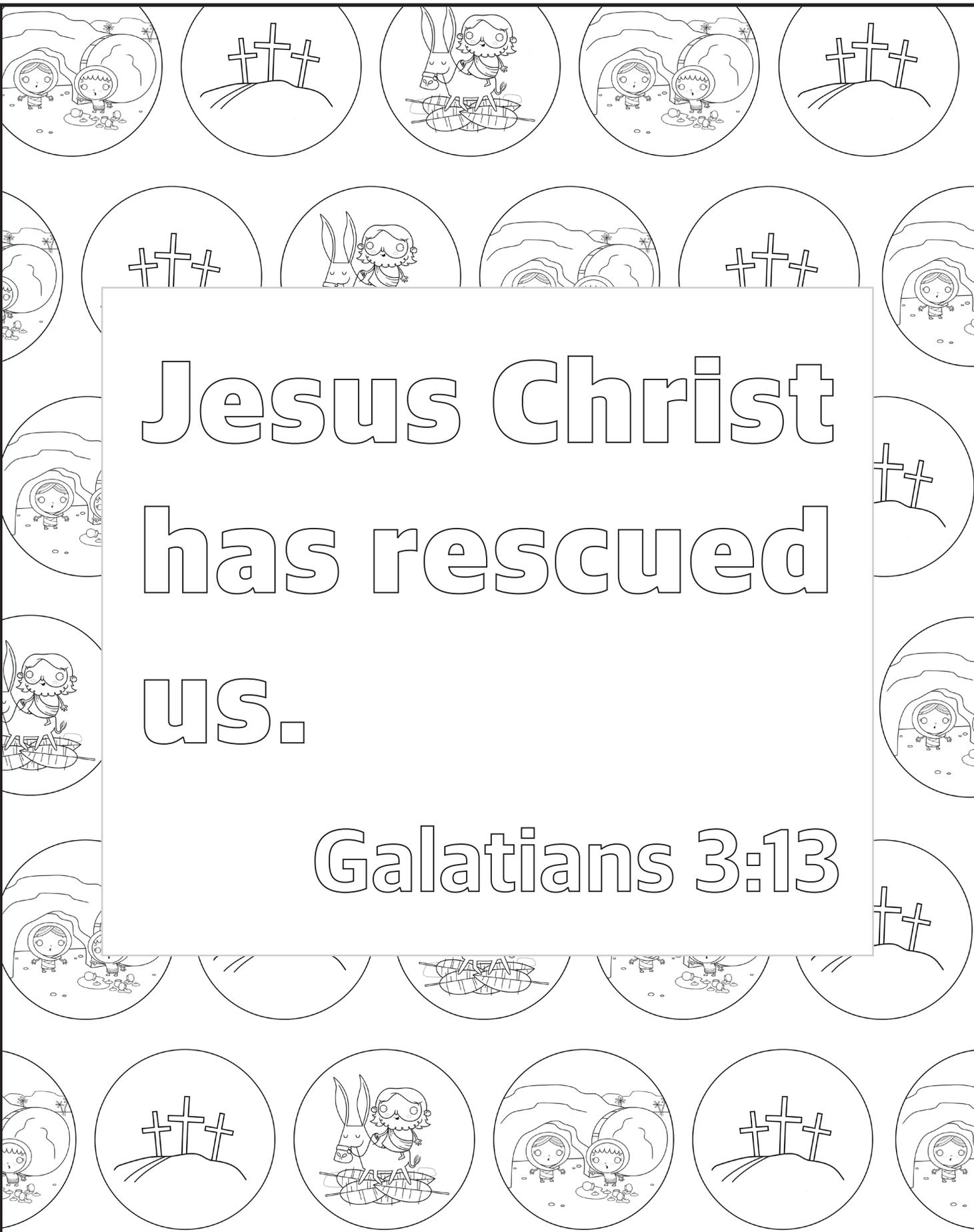
1. Discuss: Have you ever seen a parade? If so, what was it like?
2. Talk about the excitement of a parade and what it's like to see the floats and marching bands go by.
3. Explain that today we're talking about a time when Jesus arrived in a city and it was like a parade. People were waiting and excited to see King Jesus! We call this special day Palm Sunday.
4. Lead the children in a fun parade around your space, waving your hands as you say, "Welcome, King Jesus!" and "Jesus is Lord!"

HEAR

5. Tell the children that in today's God Story, Jesus rode into the city on a special little animal. Ask them to listen carefully to find out what kind of animal it was!
6. Read about Palm Sunday (from Luke 19:28-40) in a children's Bible.
7. Ask:
 - What kind of animal did Jesus ride? (a donkey)
 - What sound does a donkey make? (hee-haw!)
 - What did the people put down on the road to make a path for Jesus? (their coats and palm leaves)
8. Emphasize that the people were welcoming Jesus as Lord. We can welcome Jesus as our Lord, too!

HUDDLE

9. Review this month's Key Verse: "Jesus Christ has rescued us" (Galatians 3:13a).
10. Ask the children to crouch down. Say the verse and direct them to pop up when you get to "us". Repeat and change the action each time (e.g., curl in a ball, wiggle like a worm, make a funny face).
11. Pray, "Thank you, Jesus, for loving each of us (if possible, name each child) SO much! Thank you for rescuing us! We love you!"



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Galatians 3:13