RELIGION PROJECTS
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Text: John 12: 12-50
Subject: Palm Sunday
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Age Group: Beginners, 3-5

Basic supplies: 
- glue
- markers
- paper
- paint

Materials: 
- One sharp knife
- Potatoes, leaves
- Kitchen knives (not sharp)
- Paint, brushes
- Newspaper, smocks
- Large piece of paper
- Pieces of old sponges

Teacher preparation: 
- Cut potatoes sharply in half
- Cut sponge pieces into cubes about 1-2"
- Spread newspapers

Procedure: 
- Cut potatoes into simple garment shapes (only 2-3 of the children need to do this)
- (Optional) Cut potatoes into palm shape (2-3 children)
- Print garments, leaves and palms all along the bottom half of the paper (paint potato surface with brush)
- Teacher or a child cuts a potato into a donkey shape
- Wash garment shaped potato and paint with white to print the LORD and print the donkey riding into Jerusalem
- Print stone gate with sponges (2-3 children do this)
- Use a round scrap of potato for the LORD's head
- (Optional) Print people in background

Notes: Could also be done as an individual project, with children sharing their potato prints etc.
- If desired, have an ink stamp lettering set and print "HOSANNA" (from dime store)

Music: First songs:
- Lori's tape: Hosanna!
- He rode on a donkey (tape III)
- Liturgy: 554 555