

“The Follow Jesus Project”

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Friday, Oct. 2
Scriptures to read: Luke 19:36-40, John 12:17-19

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Saturday, Oct. 3
Scriptures to read:
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