Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Servant's Humiliation and Vindication

- The Lord GoD has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word.
 Morning by morning he wakens— wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.
 The Lord GoD has opened my ear,
- ⁵ The Lord GoD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backwards.
- ⁶ I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard;
- I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.
- ⁷ The Lord GoD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame;
- he who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.

9 It is the Lord GoD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

All of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.

Philippians 2:5-11

⁵Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,

- ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
- ⁷ but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form,
- he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death even death on a cross.
- ⁹ Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
- ¹¹ and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Matthew 21:1-11

Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, 'Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them." And he will send them immediately.' ⁴This took place to fulfil what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

⁵ 'Tell the daughter of Zion,

Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

'Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!'

 10 When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, 'Who is this?' 11 The crowds were saying, 'This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.'