

Palm Leaf

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You will need:

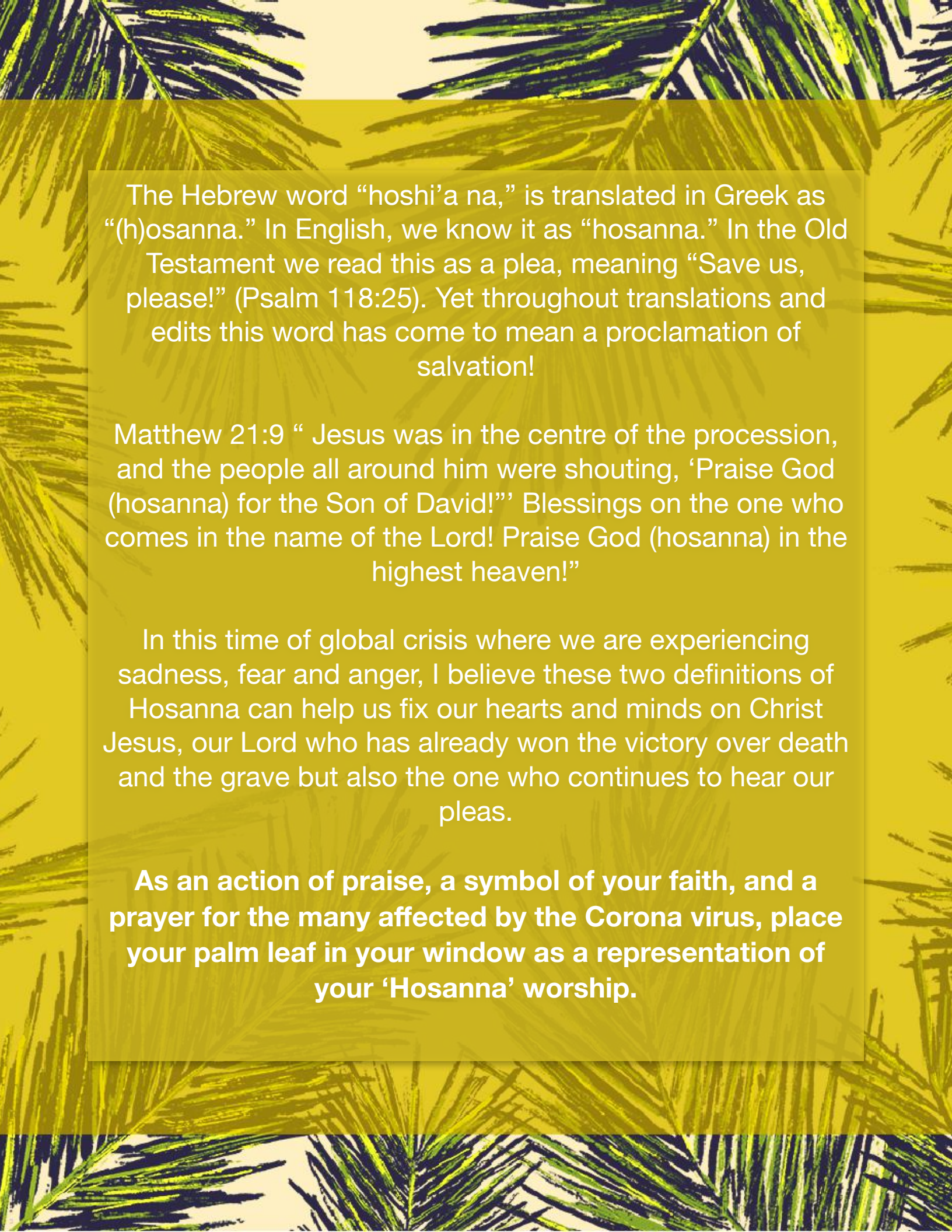
- Square piece of Paper/ card any size (coloured if preferred or you can colour it for personal effect).
- Scissors
- A little glue

How to make:

1. Begin by folding your square piece of paper in half.
2. Take a ruler and draw a line from top left of the rectangle (where the fold is) to the bottom right of the rectangle (where the folded paper opens)
3. Cut along this line and put the “spare triangles to one side”
4. Now open your folded triangle to reveal a “bigger triangle”.
5. Starting at the bottom, start folding a 0.5cm concertina until you get to the very tip.
6. Now fold the concertina in half (the long flat edges meeting, the tip being on the outside).
7. This is your basic leaf shape. You can now glue it down and can finish here..

Or you can...

8. Add a stem, by taking one of the discarded triangles, rolling them into a tube. Flattening it and hooking it over the bottom of your leaf before gluing all in place.



The Hebrew word “hoshi’a na,” is translated in Greek as “(h)osanna.” In English, we know it as “hosanna.” In the Old Testament we read this as a plea, meaning “Save us, please!” (Psalm 118:25). Yet throughout translations and edits this word has come to mean a proclamation of salvation!

Matthew 21:9 “ Jesus was in the centre of the procession, and the people all around him were shouting, ‘Praise God (hosanna) for the Son of David!’” Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Praise God (hosanna) in the highest heaven!”

In this time of global crisis where we are experiencing sadness, fear and anger, I believe these two definitions of Hosanna can help us fix our hearts and minds on Christ Jesus, our Lord who has already won the victory over death and the grave but also the one who continues to hear our pleas.

As an action of praise, a symbol of your faith, and a prayer for the many affected by the Corona virus, place your palm leaf in your window as a representation of your ‘Hosanna’ worship.