

## Palm Sunday



**Matthew 21:1-11, ESV** – Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethpage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup> saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. <sup>3</sup> If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” <sup>4</sup> This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, <sup>5</sup> “Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’” <sup>6</sup> The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. <sup>7</sup> They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. <sup>8</sup> Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup> And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” <sup>10</sup> And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” <sup>11</sup> And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

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# SERMON-BASED STUDY

For the week of April 5, 2020  
Matthew 21:1-11

## QUICK REVIEW

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

## ENGAGE WITH THE MESSAGE

1 This weekend we were reminded that Jesus is our king, not just our friend. Furthermore, friends make suggestions while kings make demands. What are some demands that Jesus makes of all who follow Him? Is it difficult or easy to follow these demands? Explain.

2 In what ways did the Israelites place their own expectations and terms on Jesus as king? In what ways have you placed expectations and terms on Jesus?

3 In what ways have you celebrated and proclaimed the coming of Jesus the King?

## DIGGING DEEPER

A **Rev 7:9-10, ESV** – <sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, <sup>10</sup> and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

4 Palm branches symbolize joy and celebration. Why does the multitude celebrate in the passage above? How is this similar to the celebration that happened on Palm Sunday?

5 What does “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne” mean? How is this related to Matthew 21:9?

6 How do you personally celebrate the coming of Jesus and the salvation that comes through Him?

**B** *1 Timothy 6:13-16, ESV – <sup>13</sup>I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, <sup>14</sup>to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>15</sup>which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, <sup>16</sup>who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.*

7 Looking at the passage above, how does Paul describe our Lord Jesus Christ?

8 What commandment does Paul want believers to keep unstained and free from reproach? How long are believers to keep this commandment?

9 How have you personally kept God’s commandments? In what areas do you need to improve when it comes to keeping His commandments? Explain.

## TAKING IT HOME

Your salvation is not just a thing of the past, a decision you made a long time ago. It is something which you need to live out today and every day. We are to give God honor and praise on a daily basis for this great gift. How can you reaffirm your spoken confession and internal commitment to living for Jesus every day? How can you give God honor in your daily life? Share with your group or accountability partner and pray for a life lived in honor and praise of God on a daily basis.

## PRAISES AND PRAYER REQUEST

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## FOR FURTHER STUDY

Mark 11:1-10

Luke 19:29-38

John 12:12-15