

Expositional Preaching from the Authorized Version of the Holy Bible

Current Book: John – verse by verse

**Scriptures for Today: John 12:12-19 – The Triumphal Entry of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem.**

Today's Message:

**"The King is Coming"**



## INTRODUCTION

Last week, we had our final meeting in the place where God planted our church. We saw Mary give Jesus something very costly, and Jesus said she had chosen well. Today, we have arrived at the grand opening of our new building. What an amazing journey! God truly is the same – *yesterday, today, and forever*. Our passage today is often called *the Triumphal Entry*. It is the only time Jesus planned for and presented Himself as the **KING** of Israel the first time. And He came on the exact day Daniel had prophesied. For those who are saved, we know that He is also coming **AGAIN!** This is God's message...

## LEARNING TOGETHER

### A. The Text John 12:12-19

#### #1. The Triumphal Entry (12-15) – Jesus was **COMING** as prophets had prophesied!

1. The context was passover and feast of unleavened bread – the **LAMBS** were coming.
  - **John 12:12** – *On the next day much people that were come to the feast... (Passover)*
  - **Exodus 12:1-13** – *... In the tenth day of this month... take to them every man a lamb...*
  - **Leviticus 23:5** – *In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's passover.*
  - **2Chron 35:1** – *... Josiah kept a passover... killed the passover on the fourteenth day...*
  - Whether Jesus came on a Saturday or Sunday, it was still a big day for Israel!
2. Until this time, Jesus had intentionally avoided **PUBLIC** worship as Israel's King.
  - **John 2:24; 6:15** – *When Jesus therefore perceived... to make him a king, he departed...*
  - **John 7:6, 8** – *Then Jesus said unto them, My time is not yet come...*
  - There is no doubt Jesus took every opportunity to delay His revelation to Israel.
3. The people came with palm branches and cried, "*Hosanna – Blessed is the KING!*"
  - **Psalms 118:25-26** – *Save now, I beseech thee, O LORD: O LORD, I beseech thee...*
  - **Psalms 113-118** were Passover songs sung by the children of Israel and kids.
4. On this day in history, Jesus intentionally set up the fulfillment of Bible **PROPHECY!**
  - **John 12:14** – *And Jesus, when he had found a young ass, sat thereon; as it is written...*
  - **John 12:15** – *Fear not... behold, thy King cometh, sitting on an ass's colt.*
  - **Zech 9:9** – *Rejoice greatly... behold, thy King cometh unto thee... riding upon an ass...*
  - It was now time for Jesus Christ to be presented as King – He fulfilled His Word!

#### Important Note

*If Jesus was crucified on Wednesday (the 14<sup>th</sup> day of Nissan), then this could have been a Saturday (10<sup>th</sup> day) or Sunday (11<sup>th</sup> day).*

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*The word "Hosanna" means SAVE NOW... SAVE US! Amen.*

**"The world is gone after him."**

*It was obvious to the religious leaders that the common people would all follow Jesus Christ unless they intervened to stop it. And that is exactly what they tried to do...*

## #2. The Day of Visitation (16-19) – a day for which God held them ACCOUNTABLE.

5. The prophet Daniel had predicted THIS DAY approximately **600** years in advance!

- **Daniel 9:24** – *Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and TO ANOINT THE MOST HOLY.*
- **Daniel 9:25** – *Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.*
- **Daniel 9:26** – *And AFTER THREESCORE AND TWO WEEKS shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and until the end of the war desolations are determined.*
- **Daniel 9:27** – *And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upone the desolate.*
- 69 weeks of prophetic years of 360 days (69 X 7 X 360) = **173,880 days!**

6. Jesus Christ cried over Jerusalem and said this was their DAY to receive their King!

- **Lk 19:28-40** – *And when he had thus spoken, he went before, ascending... to Jerusalem.*
- **Luke 19:41** – *And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and WEPT OVER IT.*
- **Luke 19:42** – *Saying, **If thou hadst known, even thou, at least IN THIS THY DAY, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes.***
- The Jews MISSED the coming of their King! They would bare the consequences.

## #3. The Imminent Return – the Bible says the Jesus the King is COMING again!

7. The holy Bible predicts the soon RETURN of the King of all kings and Lord of all lords!

- **Acts 1:9** – *And when he had spoken these things... he was taken up; and a cloud...*
- **Acts 1:11** – *... why stand ye gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.*
- **2Thess 1:7-10** – *And to you who are troubled REST WITH US, when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels, In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that*  
 1) know not God, and that  
 2) obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:  
*Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;*  
*When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe*  
**(because our testimony among you was believed) IN THAT DAY.**
- The Bible has a **100%** track record for predicting the future! *The Rapture is next...*

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*Paul was confident in his message because he got it from Jesus directly! And they got it too! They repented and trusted Christ alone for their eternal salvation. This message was the same one preached by Enoch – the seventh from Adam – Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints...*

### Important Note

*“The edict in question was the decree issued by Artaxerxes Longimanus in the twentieth year of his reign, authorizing Nehemiah to rebuild the fortifications of Jerusalem. The date of Artaxerxes’s reign can be definitely ascertained... The date of it can be thus fixed as between August A.D. 28 and April A.D. 29. The Passover of the crucifixion therefore was in A.D. 32, when Christ was betrayed the night of the Paschal Supper, and put to death on the day of the Paschal Feast.”*  
 – Sir Robert Anderson, (“The Coming Prince”)

### Questions

*What is your life like?  
 Are you saved?  
 If you were to die today,  
 are you 100% sure you  
 would be in heaven?  
 You can KNOW for  
 certain. Repent and trust  
 Jesus Christ today.*