

Jesus Is My King! Notes03242024am

John 12:12-16

At the end of the video, Eddie shouts, “Jesus is my king!” This statement is worthy of shouting at the top of your lungs. The truth about the original Palm Sunday is that there was a lot of shouting going on, so much so that the religious people got put out about it. Let’s take a look at how the gospel of John describes it:

The next day the great crowd that had come for the Festival heard that Jesus was on His way to Jerusalem. They took palm branches and went out to meet Him, shouting, “Hosanna!” “Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Blessed is the king of Israel!” Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written: “Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey’s colt.” At first His disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about Him and that these things had been done to Him. John 12:12–16

1. Jesus Is A _____ King

Make no mistake: Jesus is mighty; he is the most noble. Jesus is worthy of all praise and honor and glory. However, King Jesus projected humility on that day. You see, Jesus valued humility over every other characteristic someone can display. In fact, on the last night he was with his followers, Jesus said these words:

For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. Luke 22:27

2. Jesus Is A King Of _____

If you’re like me, you want to say that Jesus is a “peaceful king.” It just rolls off the tongue easier. It sounds better than “Jesus is a king of peace.” However, Jesus let us know that he was not a peaceful king. He would tell his followers, *“For I have come to turn ‘a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law— your enemies will be the members of your own household.’ (Matthew 10:35–36)* So, we don’t really get to say Jesus is a peaceful king.

However, Jesus is a king who provides peace to his followers. Again, during that very first holy week, on his last night with his disciples, Jesus told them:

Peace I leave with you; My peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. John 14:27

3. Jesus Is A _____ King

As He approached Jerusalem and saw the city, He wept over it and said, *“If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace—but now it is hidden from your eyes.”*
Luke 19:41–42

4. _____ This World, Not _____ This World

Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, “Are you the king of the Jews?” “Is that your own idea,” Jesus asked, “or did others talk to you about me?” “Am I a Jew?” Pilate replied. “Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?” Jesus said, “My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place.” “You are a king, then!” said Pilate. Jesus answered, *“You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.”* *John 18:33–37*

I have given them your word and the world has hated them, for they are not of the world any more than I am of the world. My prayer is not that you take them out of the world but that you protect them from the evil one. *John 17:14–15*

Did you catch that? Jesus says we are not of this world. Why? Because we are citizens of heaven. We are subjects to King Jesus.

If you want others to know that Jesus is your king, there is no need to find a cliff to shout from. Choosing to live out humility, peace, and compassion will be heard much louder.