

Pictures of Palm Sunday

Matthew 21:1-11

Introduction: The Triumphal Entry - Jesus Comes to Jerusalem as King

This Palm Sunday, as we begin this Holy Week, may we constantly be reminded of its significance and value for our lives today. That very important day in history, when Jesus began His journey towards the cross. Yet maybe amid busy lives, on the heels of Spring Break, or in all of the upcoming thoughts about Easter, the real meaning of it may, even unintentionally, get missed. His Word reveals such great truths in every part of this story. Truths that draw us closer towards Christ, reminding us that He alone is King...

1. JESUS RIDING ON A _____.

"Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey." Zech. 9:9

2. PALM _____.

As Jesus entered Jerusalem, a people put palm branches on the road and shouted quotations from three Old Testament books:

"Hosanna! Blessed if he comes in the name of the Lord!" (Psalm 118:25-26)

"Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!" (Isaiah 56:7)

"Hosanna in the highest!" (Jeremiah 7:11)

3. THE SHOUT OF “ _____ ”.

That word actually means "save now,"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!" Ps. 118:26

"If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." Rom. 10:9

4. JESUS _____ OVER JERUSALEM.

"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

5. THE _____ OF JESUS AS KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS!

Palm Sunday reminds us that the reign of Christ is far greater than any man's mind could ever conceive or plan. Man looked for someone to fight their battles in the present day world. Yet God had the ultimate plan of sending His Son to fight the final battle over death.

"Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies,'" John 11:25

Conclusion:

All four Gospels include an account of the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-11; Mark 11:1-11; Luke 19:28-40; John 12:12-19). They incorporate the Messianic promises in the Old Testament and record details of Jesus' earthly ministry. Three themes emerge from these Scriptures offering instruction to Christians today:

- _____ *for the Savior*
- _____ *the gospel message of salvation.*

- _____ *the King of Kings and Lord of Lords - King Jesus*

What will you do this Easter season to praise the Lord? Encourage your family to select a favorite Easter song.

In this Holy Week, may God direct our thoughts and attention towards what matters most, Jesus Christ our King...

Let's choose to focus on worshiping our Lord and King, Jesus:

- **Thanking Him for the _____ of His sacrifice**
- **Celebrating the _____ of the Resurrection**
- **Celebrating _____ found in Him alone. Grace.**

"Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" 2 Cor. 9:15