

Journey to Jerusalem

Palm Sunday

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John 12:9-16 New Living Translation (NLT)

⁹ When all the people^[a] heard of Jesus' arrival, they flocked to see him and also to see Lazarus, the man Jesus had raised from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the leading priests decided to kill Lazarus, too, ¹¹ for it was because of him that many of the people had deserted them^[b] and believed in Jesus.

Jesus' Triumphant Entry

¹² The next day, the news that Jesus was on the way to Jerusalem swept through the city. A large crowd of Passover visitors ¹³ took palm branches and went down the road to meet him. They shouted,

"Praise God!^[c]

Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the LORD!

Hail to the King of Israel!"^[d]

¹⁴ Jesus found a young donkey and rode on it, fulfilling the prophecy that said:

¹⁵ "Don't be afraid, people of Jerusalem."^[e]

Look, your King is coming,

riding on a donkey's colt."^[f]

¹⁶ His disciples didn't understand at the time that this was a fulfillment of prophecy. But after Jesus entered into his glory, they remembered what had happened and realized that these things had been written about him.

John 11:1-3 & 39-44

¹ A man named Lazarus was sick. He lived in Bethany with his sisters, Mary and Martha. ² This is the Mary who later poured the expensive perfume on the Lord's feet and wiped them with her hair. Her brother, Lazarus, was sick. ³ So the two sisters sent a message to Jesus telling him, "Lord, your dear friend is very sick."

³⁹ But Martha, the dead man's sister, protested, "Lord, he has been dead for four days. The smell will be terrible." ⁴⁰ Jesus responded, "Didn't I tell you that you would see God's glory if you believe?"

⁴¹ So they rolled the stone aside. Then Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, thank you for hearing me. ⁴² You always hear me, but I said it out loud for the sake of all these people standing here, so that they will believe you sent me." ⁴³ Then Jesus shouted, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴ And the dead man came out, his hands and feet bound in graveclothes, his face wrapped in a headcloth. Jesus told them, "Unwrap him and let him go!"

1. Hosanna: Praise God and His Messiah, we are saved. Through the death and resurrection of Jesus, death no longer has a hold on us.

I Corinthians 15:55-57

O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting? For sin is the sting that results in death, and the law gives sin its power. But thank God. He give us victory over sin and death through our Lord Jesus Christ.

2. Hosanna: Praise God and His Messiah, he is worthy of our praise.

Psalm 118:26

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD. From the house of the LORD we bless you.