

JESUS VICTORIOUS: In His Coming

John 12:12-16

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- 1. **WHEN it was happening**. This is the only instance where Jesus ever allowed praise & acclamation to be given to Him!
Matt 17:9 NKJV - "Now as they came down from the mountain, Jesus commanded them, saying, "**Tell the vision to no one until the Son of Man is risen from the dead.**"
Matt 8:3-4 NKJV - "Then Jesus put out [His] hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." Immediately his leprosy was cleansed. 4 And Jesus said to him, "**See that you tell no one**; but go your way, show yourself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded, as a testimony to them."
Luke 19:37-40 NKJV - "Then, as He was now drawing near the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works they had seen, saying: " 'Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!' Peace in heaven

and glory in the highest!" And some of the Pharisees called to Him from the crowd, "Teacher, rebuke Your disciples." But He answered and said to them, "*I tell you that if these should keep silent, the stones would immediately cry out.*"

- **2. WHAT was happening.** The crowds were crying out "**Hosanna**" and quoting **Messianic** Scriptures!

Thousands of people meet him and shouted excitedly: "Hosanna! Save Us Now!" from Psalm 118:26 - a Messianic victory song

a.) Psalm 118:25,26 (700 BC) - "*Save now...Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! We have blessed you from the house of the Lord*"

"**Hosanna**" - They are asking Jesus to do for them what religion has not done: bring salvation and deliverance!! People wanted something more than their religion was giving them: more than endless rituals, prescribed prayers, and the same sacraments and ceremonies - 613 Jewish laws and ceremonies!

We can't even keep 10 commandments... or even 2!! Jesus Christ was a breath of fresh air in the midst of dead religion and empty rituals!!

b.) Zech 9:9 NKJV - "*Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.*"

- **In coming this way, Jesus the Great King, came offering **SALVATION** (Ps.118) & **PEACE** (Zech 9:9)!!**

During a time of **WAR**, kings rode on a war stallion...like Alexander the Great on Bucephalus.

During a time of **PEACE**, kings rode on a donkey...like Jesus here as the Prince of Peace!

Jesus came to the earth offering peace through His death on the Cross, and Resurrection! (Romans 5:1)

II. A Special **PROPHECY.** (v.14-15) - "**Then Jesus, when He had found a young donkey, sat on it; as it is written: "Fear not, daughter of Zion; Behold, your King is coming, Sitting on a donkey's colt."**"

- This is the fulfillment of a prophecy that spans **483 years**...to the very day!

Daniel 9:25-26 was written in about **700 BC!!**

Daniel 9:25-26 NCV - "*Learn and understand these things. A command will come to rebuild Jerusalem. The time from this command until the appointed leader comes will be forty-nine years and four hundred thirty-four years. Jerusalem will be*

rebuilt with streets and a trench filled with water around it, but it will be built in times of trouble. After the four hundred thirty-four years the appointed leader will be killed.."

Artaxerxes Longimanus commanded to restore Jerusalem on **March 14, 445 B.C.** as is confirmed by Nehemiah 2 and secular history books as well.

Sir Robert Anderson in his book "**The Coming Prince**" determined: 483 years, based on the 360-day calendar year was **173,880 days**. If this is counted out on the calendar it will bring you to **April 6, 32 A.D.** (the 10th of Nisan)

THIS IS THE PRECISE DAY when Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on a donkey! Amazing!!

- **Luke 19:41-44** - *"Now as He drew near, He saw the city and wept over it, saying, "If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things that make for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. For days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment around you, surround you and close you in on every side, and level you, and your children within you, to the ground; and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not know the time of your visitation."*

III. A Special **PERSON**. (v.16) - **"His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written about Him and that they had done these things to Him."**

- **Jesus Christ is the most unique Person in human history - in REPUTATION!**
 - *"I know men and I tell you that Jesus Christ is no mere man. Between Him and every other person in the world there is no possible term of comparison. Alexander, Caesar, Charlemagne, and myself have founded empires. But on what did we rest the creation of our genius? Upon force. Jesus Christ founded His empire upon love; and at this hour millions of men would die for Him." - **Napoleon Bonaparte***
 - *"I am a historian, not a believer, but I must confess as that this penniless preacher from Nazareth is irrevocably the very center of human history. Jesus Christ is easily the most dominant figure of all time." - **H.G. Wells***
 - *"A man who was completely innocent, offered himself as a sacrifice for the good of others, including his enemies, and became the ransom of the world. It was a perfect act." - **Mahatma Gandhi***

- **Jesus Christ is the most unique Person in human history - in REDEMPTION!**

Only Jesus Christ has offered Himself as a SACRIFICE for the SINS of all of humanity!

John 3:16-18 - *"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved."*

Romans 5:6,8 NLT - *"When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners. ... 8 But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners."*

2 Corinthians 5:21 NLT - *"For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ."*

APPLICATION:

- Just like He offered Himself to Israel on this special day, Jesus Christ, asks YOU to accept Him today!
- Will YOU receive Christ today as YOUR King?? Will YOU allow Him to ride into your heart, and will YOU receive Him as your Savior??
 - **Romans 10:9** NLT - "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. *It is true in REALITY! - Jesus truly is the God-Man.*
 - *It was attached **HISTORICALLY!** - Gnostics, Arians, Marcionites, and other denied it.*

*It is denied **PRESENTLY!** - Mormons, Witnesses, Muslims, Atheists, Buddhists denounce it.*