# PALM SUNDAY

## **Worship Jesus!**

Sunday, April 9, 2017 Dr. Paul White, Senior Pastor

The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" (John 12:12-13)

#### WHY WERE THEY REJOICING AT JESUS' ARRIVAL?

# #1 They needed...FREEDOM FROM \_\_\_\_\_\_

As he was drawing near – already on the way down the Mount of Olives – the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" (Luke 19:37-38)

## #2 They hoped he was the...FULFILLMENT OF

This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, "Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden." (Matthew 21:4-5)

#3 Jesus' arrival meant aFUTURE  And those who went before and those who followed  "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of  Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David  the highest!" (Mark 9:9-10)	of the Lord!
#4 They wanted to experience the	OF GOD.

The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. (John 12:17-18)

#### WHY WAS JESUS WEEPING?

And when he drew near and saw the city, he wept over it, saying, "Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes...And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know the time of your visitation." (Luke 19:41-44)

## LET'S WORSHIP JESUS FOR WHO HE TRULY IS

Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this wo	<i>rld"</i> (John 18:36)
Jesus came to set you free and	you.
So if the Son sets you free, you will be free inde	
Jesus is the fulfillment of all God's For all the promises of God find their Yes in hin through him that we utter our Amen to God for Corinthians 1:20)	•
Jesus' forgiveness means your d He who did not spare his own Son but gave him will he not also with him graciously give us all 8:32)	n up for us all, how

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- #1 They needed...FREEDOM FOR OPPRESSION.
- #2 They hoped he was the...FULFILLMENT OF PROMISE.
- #3 Jesus' arrival meant a...FUTURE HOPE.
- #4 They wanted to experience the...FAVOR OF GOD.

Jesus came to set you free and transform you.

Jesus is the fulfillment of all God's promises.

Jesus' forgiveness means your best days can be ahead.