

A large, circular marbled Easter egg graphic with swirling patterns of pink, red, and blue. A thin, multi-colored ribbon is wrapped around it, extending from the top left towards the center.

EASTER
WITH CENTER CITY

**THE
REAL
&
RISEN
KING**



Matthew 21:1-11

The Real King

1 The **Context** (*Matthew chapters 1 - 20*)

2 The **King** (*Matthew 21:1-9*)

3 The **Question** (*21:10-11*)

1 The Context

Who wrote the book of Matthew?

Matthew; former tax collector & eye witness disciple

Who was the book written to?

Jewish christians and skeptics in the 1st century

Why was this book written?

To show Jesus is the real King bringing God's Kingdom

1 The Context

Matthew 1:1-2

1 The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. **2** Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers...

1 The **Context**

Matthew 1:16-17

...and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called Christ. **17** So all the generations from Abraham to David were fourteen generations, and from David to the deportation to Babylon fourteen generations, and from the deportation to Babylon to the Christ fourteen generations.

2 The King

Matthew 21:1

1 Now when they drew near to Jerusalem...

Setting: Passover week

Passover: The Jewish holiday remembering their rescue from Egypt and anticipating God's future Messiah King and future Kingdom

2 The King

Matthew 21:2

2 saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me.

2 The King

Matthew 21:3

3 If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.”

2 The King

Matthew 21:4-5

4 This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,”

5 “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.’”

2 The King

Zechariah 9:9

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,



“lawful or legitimate”

*Jesus is saying
“I am the REAL KING”*

2 The King

Matthew 21:7-9

7 They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. 8 Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting,

2 The King

Matthew 21:9

9 “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna **in the highest!**”

The Jews believe...

1 He's going to save now

*2 He's King David's heir
praise*

3 He's from God

*4 He's worthy of
praise*

3 The Question

Matthew 21:10

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3 The Question

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The crowds got some facts about Jesus, but not His most fundamental purpose.

3 The Question

Matthew 21:10

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Jesus rode into Jerusalem, not as a lion king coming to overthrow the Romans, but as a lamb King coming to be sacrificed for our sin.

3 The Question

Ephesians 2:1-2

1 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins
2 in which you once walked, following the course
of this world, following the prince of the power of
the air...

3 The Question

Ephesians 2:4-5

4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ – by grace you have been saved –

3 The Question

Ephesians 2:6-7

6 and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, 7 so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

3 The Question

Matthew 11:28-30

28 Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. **29** Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. **30** For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

3 The Question

Is Jesus calling you to do something you don't understand?

Is there something Jesus wants you to lay down today?

Is there someone you can share the real Jesus with?

Do you believe He is the real King? ... Let's sing loudly!

Still skeptical about this Jesus? ... Please join us next week!