
The Crowd

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The crowd was amazed when they saw the mute speaking, the crippled restored, the lame walking, and the blind seeing. And they glorified the God of Israel.

Matthew 15:31 BSB

See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Zechariah 9:9b NIV

Welcoming the King Means I . . .

1. Join the *celebration*.

When the large crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they took palm branches and went out to meet Him. They kept shouting: “Hosanna! He who comes in the name of the Lord is the blessed One—the King of Israel!”

John 12:12b-13 HCSB

But some of the Pharisees among the crowd said, “Teacher, rebuke your followers for saying things like that!” He replied, “If they kept quiet, the stones along the road would burst into cheers!”

Luke 19:39-40 NLT

2. Reject *accusation*.

The chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas to them instead.

Mark 15:11 BSB

“What shall I do, then, with Jesus who is called the Messiah?” Pilate asked. They all answered, “Crucify him!”... they shouted all the louder, “Crucify him!”

Matthew 27:22-23 NIV

3. Believe during *suffering*.

People passing by shook their heads and hurled insults at Jesus: “He saved others, but he cannot save himself! Isn't he the king of Israel? If he will come down off the cross now, we will believe in him!”

Matthew 27:39, 42 GNT

Then he said to Jesus, “Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.”

Luke 23:42 NKJV

Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. In a loud voice they were saying: “Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!”

Revelation 5:11-12 NIV

Weekend Music:

You Are Good (Brian Johnson) • Great Are You Lord (David Leonard)
All Hail King Jesus (Jeremy Riddle) • Hosanna (Brooke Ligertwood)