

April 9th 2017 – The King is coming Pastor Shannon Chapman

<u>Beginning of Holy Week</u>

- Begins on Palm Sunday
- Week of Somber Reflection on the events that are to come:
 - Triumphal entry into Jerusalem
 - The betrayal by Judas
 - Last Supper with the 12 disciples
 - His arrest in the Garden
 - His crucifixion and death
 - \circ Buried in a tomb

Our king comes riding on a donkey

- Matthew 21:1-3, As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away."
- The donkey shows significant things about the nature of Jesus.
- A horse stood for war, a donkey stood for peace.

Jesus, our king is a different kind of king.

- Ultimately he would change the world through His death.
- *Matthew 21:4-11*, This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'" The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest heaven!" When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

Righteousness of Jesus

- Zechariah 9:9-10, Rejoice, O people of Zion! Shout in triumph, O people of Jerusalem Look, your king is coming to you. He is <u>righteous</u> and victorious, yet he is humble, riding on a donkey—riding on a donkey's colt.
- 1. Through His righteousness and holiness, Jesus gave the ultimate sacrifice.
 - Romans. 5:8, but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.
- 2. Through His righteousness, He is our advocate
 - 1 John 2:1, My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.
- 3. Through His righteousness, we are righteous
 - 2 Corinthians 5:21, For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Who is your king?

• Jesus is coming in peace today, receive it and let your life be forever changed!