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SERMON NOTES

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Jesus Christ:

The King We've Always Wanted and Always Needed

Holy Week refers to:

- The Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem
- The cleansing of the Temple
- Several days of teaching and the rising tension with religious leaders
- The Last Supper
- The prayer in the garden of Gethsemane
- The betrayal, arrest, trials, and torture of Jesus
- The death of Jesus by Roman crucifixion
- The burial of Jesus in the tomb of Joseph
- The bodily resurrection of Jesus

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- 1. The religious leaders remind us that acting religious is not the same as being righteous.
- 2. Pilate reminds us that when we fail to acknowledge truth, we become vulnerable to the deception of lies.
- 3. Barabbas reminds us that through the death of Jesus Christ on the cross, God has made His offer of salvation immensely personal.
- 4. The Roman soldiers remind us that Jesus is the God with wounds and God of the abused.
- 5. The crowd reminds us we have the opportunity to choose our king.
- 6. Jesus reminds us that He's the king we've always wanted and always needed.

"In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us."

- Ephesians 1:7-8

"God alone satisfies the passion for justice, the longing for spirituality, the hunger for relationship, the yearning for beauty."

- N.T. Wright

The church is a worshiping community that follows in the way of King Jesus, by living out the gospel in both word and deed, out of a heart of sacrificial love, passionately seeking the glory of God.

"For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation.

He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken."

- Psalm 62:1-2