

Sermon Notes

3-24-24 - Palm Sunday - ATONEMENT - Holy Week 2024

Call to Worship

Zion's Coming King A prophecy from Zechariah 9:9

"Rejoice, O people of Zion!

Shout in triumph, O people of Jerusalem!

Look, your king is coming to you.

He is righteous and victorious,

Yet he is humble, riding on a donkey –

Riding on a donkey's colt."

And from Psalm 95:1-2

"Come, let us sing to the Lord!

Let us shout joyfully to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come to him with thanksgiving.

Let us sing psalms of praise to him!

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3 Dark Scenes in last 18 hrs of Jesus' life.

++1.) Gethsemane

++2.) On trial

++3.) On the cross

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Mark 14:32–34

32 They went to a place called Gethsemane, and Jesus said to his disciples, “Sit here while I pray.”

33 He took Peter, James and John along with him, and he began to be deeply distressed and troubled.

34 “My soul is overwhelmed with sorrow to the point of death,” he said to them. “Stay here and keep watch.”

Mark 14:41

41 Returning the third time, he said to them, “Are you still sleeping and resting? Enough! The hour has come. Look, the Son of Man is delivered into the hands of sinners.

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In the Garden, Jesus is... ABANDONED.

Mark 14:50–53

50 Then everyone deserted him and fled.

51 A young man, wearing nothing but a linen garment, was following Jesus. When they seized him,

52 he fled naked, leaving his garment behind.

53 They took Jesus to the high priest, and all the chief priests, the elders and the teachers of the law came together.

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Jesus is on trial -- and REJECTED

Isaiah 53:7

7 He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth.

Mark 14:61–62

61 But Jesus remained silent and gave no answer. Again the high priest asked him, “Are you the Messiah, the Son of the Blessed One?”

62 “I am,” said Jesus. “And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven.”

Daniel 7:13–14

13 “In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence.

14 He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all nations and peoples of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed.

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The Son of Man has Sovereignty - Complete rule and authority!

Mark 14:64–65

64 “You have heard the blasphemy. What do you think?” They all condemned him as worthy of death.

65 Then some began to spit at him; they blindfolded him, struck him with their fists, and said, “Prophecy!” And the guards took him and beat him.

Mark 15:25

25 It was nine in the morning when they crucified him.

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ON THE CROSS - crushed.

Galatians 3:13

13 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us—for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who is hanged on a tree” —

Mark 15:33

33 At noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon.

Mark 15:37–38

37 With a loud cry, Jesus breathed his last.

38 The curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom.

Romans 10:4

4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

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Why would God do all this? Why was it necessary?

John Stott quote:

"The essence of sin is man substituting himself for God.

The essence of salvation is God substituting himself for mankind."

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The cross of Christ is the
self-substitution of God
on our behalf.

Romans 3:23–25

23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

24 and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by
Christ Jesus.

25 God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of
his blood—to be received by faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness,

Isaiah 53:4–6

⁴ Surely he took up **MY** pain and bore **MY** suffering....

⁵ But he was pierced for **MY** transgressions, he was crushed for **MY**
iniquities; the punishment that brought **ME** peace was on him, and by
his wounds **I** am healed.

⁶ ...like a sheep, **I** have gone astray, **I** have turned to **MY** own way;
and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of **ME**.