

Take Away – Your King is Coming

Text: John 12: 12 – 19

Date: 4-10-22



With your group...

Answer each of the following questions prompted by the text and/or today's sermon.

1. This section of Scripture details what we know as the Triumphal Entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. Why did the crowd think it was a triumphal entry? Why did the Pharisees worry that it may be a "triumphal" entry? Why do we call it a triumphal entry?
2. In what ways did the political, social, and physical environment the crowd lived in cloud their ability to truly understand Jesus' mission?
3. Read Leviticus 23:40 and Nehemiah 8:15. In ancient times, palm branches symbolized goodness, well-being, grandeur, steadfastness, and victory. Kings and conquerors were welcomed with palm branches being strewn before them and waved in the air. Victors of Grecian games returned to their homes triumphantly waving palm branches in their hands. How did this apply to Jesus in the minds of the people?
4. What is significant about the word "Hosanna" that the crowd is shouting? What does "Hosanna" mean? Read Psalm 118:25-26.
5. Read Zechariah 9: 9 – 10. What is significant about Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a donkey?
6. "We know something really good is coming, but we complain! 'Ugh! Jesus, we want you to come now! This is taking forever!' Read 2 Peter 3: 8 – 9. How can these verses give us hope and joy despite our yearning and anticipation for Jesus to come back now?