

— THE GOSPEL OF —
JOHN

“Jesus the King”
John 12:12-19

3 Dynamics within the multitude around Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem

1. The Crowd's Cry:
Hosanna with hope for an earthly king.
(v.12-13)

**“And some of the Pharisees called to Him from the crowd,
“Teacher, rebuke Your disciples.”**

**But He answered and said to them, “I tell you that if these should keep silent,
the stones would immediately cry out.”**

**Now as He drew near, He saw the city and wept over it, saying,
“If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things
that make for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes.
For days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment
around you, surround you and close you in on every side, and level you,
and your children within you, to the ground; and they will not leave in you
one stone upon another, because you did not know the time of your
visitation.” Luke 19:39-44**

When Jesus is baptized into politics a lot of things can go wrong:

- **The message of Jesus can be diluted or distorted.**
- **Playing politics with Jesus can tempt believers to place their hope in earthly power rather than in Christ.**
 - **It can distract believers from their Focus:
To seek first the kingdom of God.**

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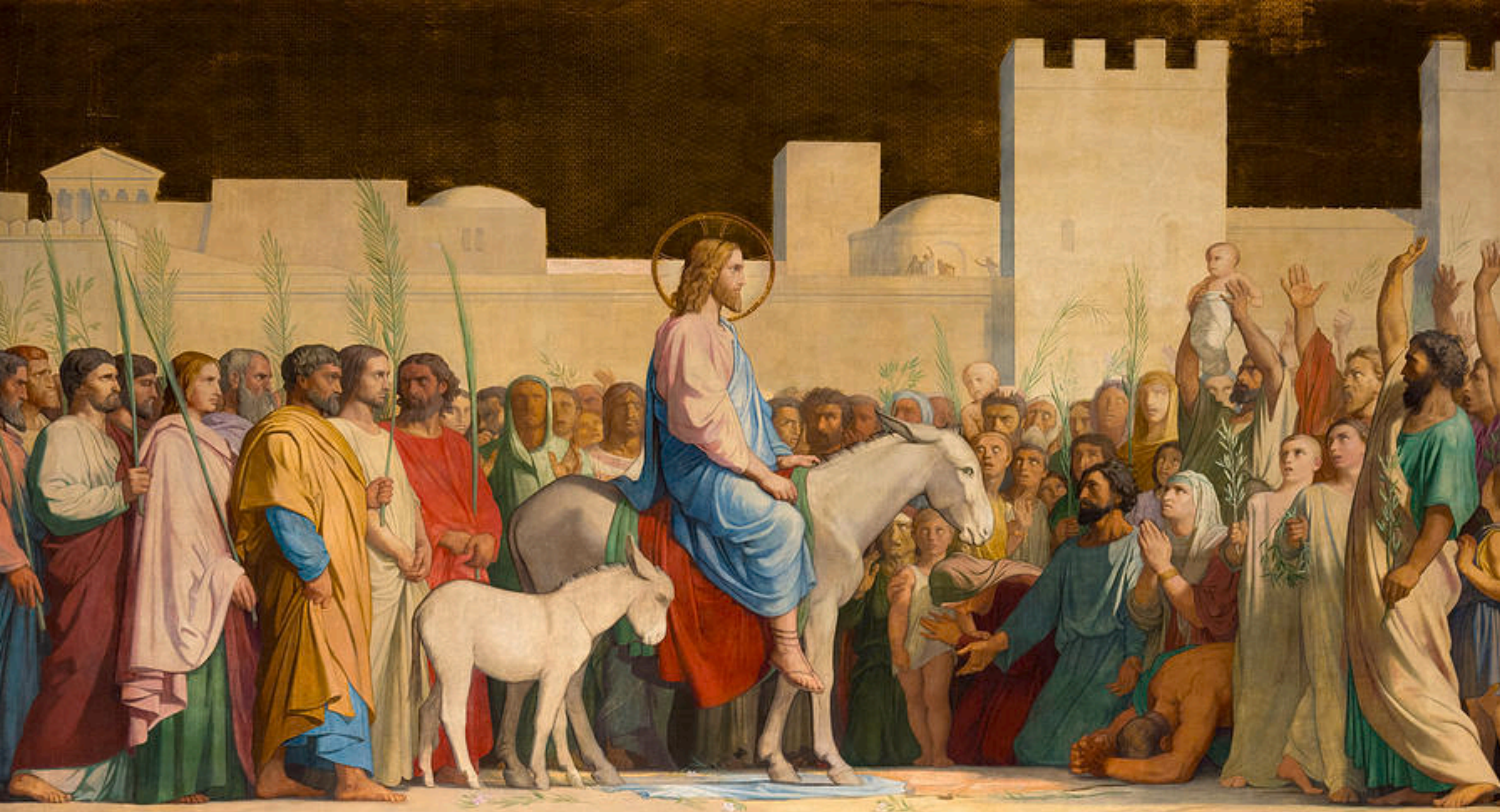
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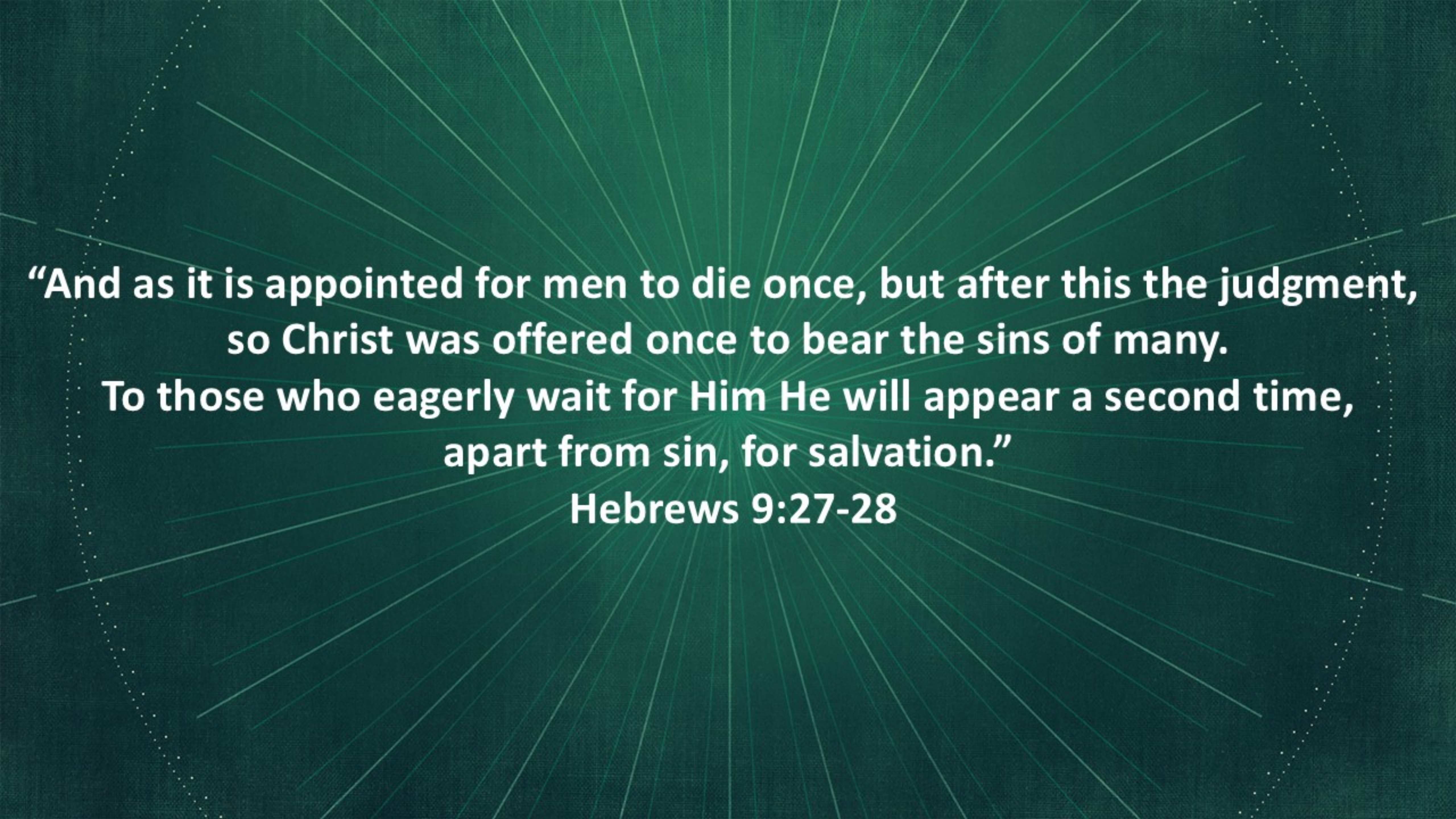
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**“And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment,
so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many.
To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time,
apart from sin, for salvation.”**

Hebrews 9:27-28

“Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse.

And He who sat on him *was* called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes *were* like a flame of fire, and on His head *were* many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He *was* clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He has on *His* robe and on His thigh a name written: King of King and Lord of Lords.”

Revelation 19:11-16

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3. The Pharisees' Crisis:

The Religious leaders admit failure in attempting to eliminate Jesus.
(v.17-19)