

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FROM MARCH 23/24 SERMON

If you missed the sermon, check out <u>biblechapel.org/sermons</u>.

1. Read <u>1 Kings 10:6-24</u>. This passage describes Israel at the height of her power and provides the context for the Triumphal Entry. Why did the Jews long for a military Messiah?

2. Read <u>Isaiah 35:4-6</u> and <u>61:1</u>. Give examples of how Jesus fulfilled these prophecies.

3. Read <u>Matthew 11:1-18</u>. How did Jesus respond to John the Baptist's doubts?

4. Read <u>Isaiah 26:19</u> and the story of Lazarus in <u>John 11:1-43</u>. Discuss how the raising of Lazarus sealed the deal for the Jews that Jesus was the Messiah.

5. Read <u>Zechariah 9:1-9</u>. Most conservative commentators believe that <u>Zechariah 9:1-8</u> speaks to the conquests of Alexander the Great. When the Jews heard about conquering military leaders and compared that with the coming of Jesus in <u>Zechariah 9:9</u>, what kind of Messiah did they expect?

6. Read <u>Deuteronomy 21:22-23</u>. How did the Jews conclude from this passage that Jesus was not the Messiah?

7. Read <u>Galatians 3:13</u>. How did Jesus become a curse for us? How did Jesus "redeem us from the curse of the law"?

8. Discuss the following two theological truths presented in the sermon: Representative Substitution and Imputation.

9. Discuss how Christianity has changed the world.

10. Take some time to pray that God will empower you to change your world—one life at a time.