EASTER EXPECTATIONS

PALM SUNDAY!

And when he had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this: 'The Lord has need of it.'" _So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" And they said, "The Lord has need of it."

And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

And when he drew near and saw the city, he wept over it, saying, "Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. For the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade around you and surround you and hem you in on every side and tear you down to the ground, you and your children within you. And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know the time of your visitation."

THE STORY...(UP TO THIS POINT)

PASSOVER...

JESUS BEGINS "THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY"

JESUS' PREP

(V.28-34)

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
Behold, your king is coming to you;
righteous and having salvation is he,
humble and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

- Zech.9:9

JESUS BEGINS "THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY"

JESUS' RIDE

(V.35-36)

REACTIONS TO JESUS

(THE CROWDS - V.37)

Save us, we pray, O Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

We bless you from the house of the Lord.

- Ps.118:25-26.

REACTIONS TO JESUS

(THE PHARISEES - V.39)

Then the chief priests and the elders of the people gathered in the palace of the high priest, whose name was Caiaphas, and plotted together in order to arrest Jesus by stealth and kill him. But they said, "Not during the feast, lest there be an uproar among the people.

-Matt.26:3-5

JESUS' RESPONSE (V.40)

"THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY - CONTINUED"

JESUS' REFLECTION

(V.41-44)

JESUS' REFLECTION -SADNESS

"THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY - CONTINUED"

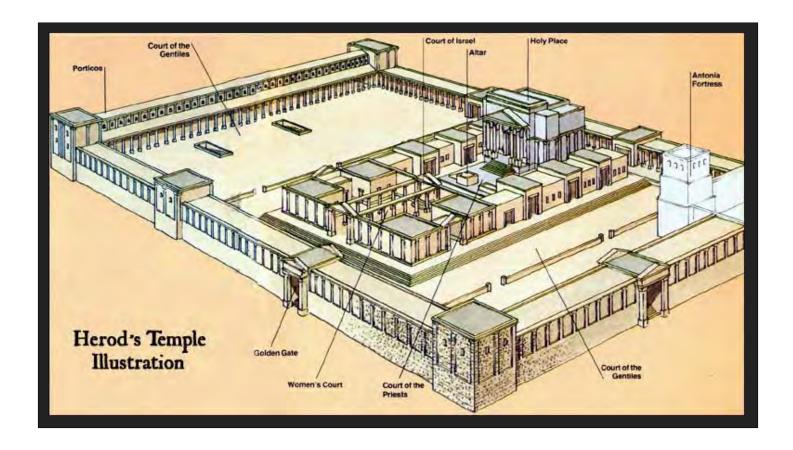
JESUS' REFLECTION -LOVE

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! Behold, your house is forsaken. And I tell you, you will not see me until you say, 'Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'"

-Luke 13:34-35.

"THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY - CONTINUED"

JESUS' REFLECTION -JUDGMENT



DISCIPLESHIP CUES...

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- 2. The Word of God is faithful (seen in His fulfillment of prophecy) are you living in that truth?

"I am sure of this, that He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Christ Jesus" -Phil.1:6

"For I am sure than neither life or death, nor angels or rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord"
-Rom.8:39.

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"and you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of the your flesh, God made alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This He set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in Him - Col.2:13-15

...AND NEXT WEEK....THE REST OF THE STORY!

(BRING A FRIEND - YOU'RE GOING TO LOVE THE ENDING!)