



Passion Week is "the hot burning center of his life. Palm Sunday is the doorway into this week." - Kevin Miller, *Preaching Today*

This is Jesus - a PASSIONATE man!

Passion is the willingness to suffer for what you love.

Jesus passionately loves YOU!

3 Things Jesus is passionate about:

1. Our RECOGNITION of him!

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, 2 saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. 3 If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away." 4 This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: 5 "Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." 6 The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. 7 They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. 8 A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest heaven!" 10 When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" 11 The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee." - Matthew 21:1-11 NIV

"As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it…because you did not recognize the time of God's coming to you." - Luke 19:41-44 NIV

2. Our PURITY!

Jesus entered the temple courts and drove out all who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves. 13 "It is written," he said to them, "My house will be called a house of prayer,' but you are making it 'a den of robbers." - Matthew 21:12-13 NIV

3. Our FRUITFULNESS!

Early in the morning, as Jesus was on his way back to the city, he was hungry. 19 Seeing a fig tree by the road, he went up to it but found nothing on it except leaves. Then he said to it, "May you never bear fruit again!" Immediately the tree withered. - Matthew 21:18-19 NIV

"If you love me, obey my commandments." - John 14:15 NLT

TALK IT OVER

- Have you recognized Jesus as YOUR King? If not, what do you think might be holding you back? If you have, tell someone about the moment you recognized him!
- What have you allowed to mix into your life that might be distracting you or making it hard for others to worship God? Ask Jesus to "drive it out!"
- What's something you will start doing this week to stay connected to Jesus so he can produce fruit in your life?

Suggested Reading Plan: Road to Easter

Announcements:

- Sunday Service @ 10 AM. Nursery is available for children up to age 4, and KidZone for ages 5-11.
- Girl's Ministry for grades K-6 Tuesdays 5:30-6:30 PM. See Sharee Haromontelongo for more info.
- Finish Line Youth for ages 12-12th grade Fridays 7-8:30 PM. See Pastor James for more info.
- **Easter Service** April 9 @ 10 AM! Featuring a special presentation by our KidZone kids, Easter Egg Hunt, new sermon series, and more! Bring a friend!
- **Compassion Sunday** April 30 @ 10 AM! Join us for a special service to learn about the power of child sponsorship through Compassion International, a Christian child development ministry aimed at releasing children from spiritual, economic, social and physical poverty in Jesus' name.

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