

John 12:12–26 “Dying For Life”

Main Point: *Christ establishes His kingdom through His death and resurrection and He says to follow Him.*

I. Christ operates according to biblical revelation, not human expectation (vv. 12–16).

Isaiah 35:5–6; Psalm 118:25–26, “*Save us, we pray, O Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success!*”²⁶ *Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! We bless you from the house of the Lord.*” Zechariah 9:9–10, “*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.*”¹⁰ *I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.*” Acts 1:6, “⁶ *So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?”*” Acts 1:8; Isaiah 40:9–11

II. The world comes to Him as we die to the world (vv. 17–26).

Isaiah 52:13–15, “*Behold, my servant shall act wisely; he shall be high and lifted up, and shall be exalted.*”¹⁴ *As many were astonished at you—his appearance was so marred, beyond human semblance, and his form beyond that of the children of mankind—*¹⁵ *so shall he sprinkle (or startle) many nations.*”