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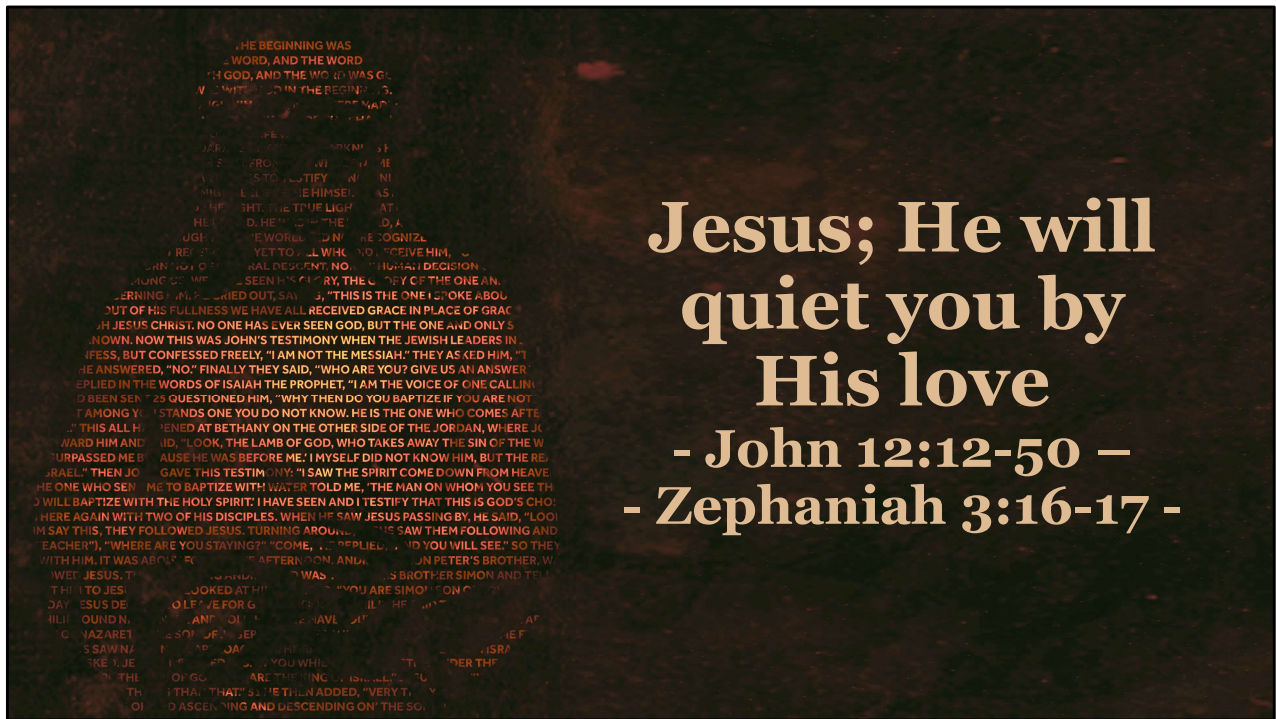
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## Why Palms?

### Feast of Tabernacles

**Lev 23:34, 39-41 NASB20] 34 "Speak to the sons of Israel, saying, 'On the fifteenth of this seventh month is the Feast of Booths for seven days to the LORD. ... 39 'On exactly the fifteenth day of the seventh month, when you have gathered in the crops of the land, you shall celebrate the feast of the LORD for seven days, with a rest on the first day and a rest on the eighth day. 40 'Now on the first day you shall take for yourselves the foliage of beautiful trees, palm branches and branches of trees with thick branches and willows of the brook, and you shall rejoice before the LORD your God for seven days. 41 'So you shall celebrate it [as] a feast to the LORD for seven days in the year. [It shall be] a permanent statute throughout your generations; you shall celebrate it in the seventh month.**

**[Rev 7:9 NASB20] 9 After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could count, from every nation and [all the] tribes, peoples, and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, and palm branches [were] in their hands;**

## Triumphant entry?

- † All 4 Gospels; Mt 21, Mk 11, Lk 19, Jn 12
- † Lk 19:41 – When He approached [Jerusalem],  
He saw the city and wept over it, (troubled)

**Johns account records the least amount of info about the triumphant Entry.  
Was it really triumphant? Is "Good Friday really Good? For whom? Jesus wept and  
was crucified!**

**Jerusalem is the center of the world and That gate and path is the focus of  
Jerusalem!  
Long live the King....at least until next week!**

**Jesus, Son of David! Not the Hammer Maccabee, and the Lamb slain who comes  
again as the lion of Judah!**

Luk 19:37-45 And as soon as He was approaching, near the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the miracles which they had seen, 38 shouting: "BLESSED IS the King, THE ONE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD; Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" 39 And [yet] some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Him, "Teacher, rebuke Your disciples!" 40 Jesus replied, "I tell you, if these stop speaking, the stones will cry out!" 41 When He approached [Jerusalem,] He saw the city and wept over it, 42 saying, "If you had known on this day, even you, the [conditions] for peace! But now they have been hidden from your eyes. 43 "For the days will come upon you when your



enemies will put up a barricade against you, and surround you and hem you in on every side, 44 and they will level you to the ground, and [throw down] your children within you, and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not recognize the time of your visitation." 45 And Jesus entered the temple [grounds] and began to drive out those who were selling,

It is now frequently observed by scholars that **the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, with its procession of palms and laudatory praise, echoes the entry of the Maccabees into Jerusalem following their triumph over the Seleucids.** (See, for example, Witherington's summary of the material in *John's Wisdom*, p. 221.) **Simon entered Jerusalem "with a chorus of praise and the waving of palm branches" (1 Macc 13.51). All of this, of course, in the context of a grand temple cleansing - just as Jesus' entry will be followed by a temple cleansing of His own.**

this procession of the nations to Jerusalem in 12.20 also fits squarely within the context of Zechariah:

Peoples shall yet come, inhabitants of many cities; the inhabitants of one city shall go to another, saying, "Let us continue to go and pray before Yahweh, and seek Yahweh of armies.... Yes, many peoples and strong nations shall come to seek Yahweh of armies in Jerusalem and to pray before Yahweh. (NKJV; for accuracy's sake, I have substituted *LORD* with *Yahweh*, and *hosts* with *armies*.)

**2Sa 15:13, 22-24, 30, 32** Then a messenger came to David, saying, "The hearts of the people of Israel are with Absalom." ... 22 Then **David said to Ittai, "Go and cross over [the brook Kidron.]"** So Ittai the Gittite crossed over with all his men and all the little ones who [were] with him. 23 While all the country was weeping with a loud voice, all the people were crossing over. **The king was also crossing over the brook Kidron**, and all the people were crossing over toward the way of the wilderness. 24 Now behold, Zadok also [came,] and all the Levites with him, carrying the ark of the covenant of God. And they set down the ark of God, and Abiathar came up until all the people had finished crossing over from the city. ... 30 And **David was going up the ascent of the [Mount of] Olives, weeping as he went**, and his head was covered, and he was walking barefoot. Then all the people who were with him each covered his own head, and they were going up, weeping as they went. ... 32 **It happened as David was coming to the summit, where God was worshiped**, that behold, Hushai the Archite met him with his coat torn, and dust on his head.

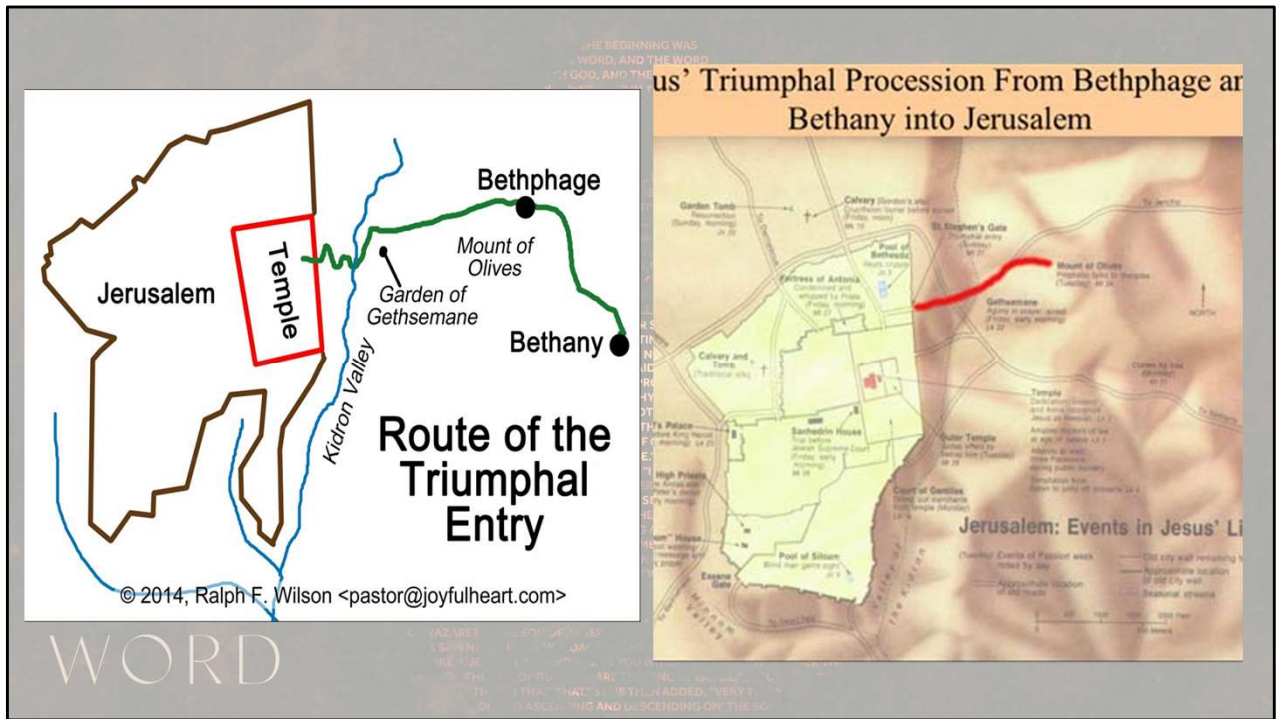
[2Sa 16:1 NASB20] 1 Now **when David had gone on a little beyond the summit,**

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## Triumphant entry?

### † What was His path and why its important?

- Same as King David driven from his throne, Jesus is son of David
- Like Judas Maccabee! Less than 200 years earlier, Temple cleansing!
- It is the path of the Azazel (scapegoat) and Red Heifer
- Similar path as when Jesus returns, Mt of Olives to Eastern gate . . .



Notice Kidron valley on right, Valley Hinnom on bottom left, Gehenna  
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**all nations "will go up year after year to worship the King, the LORD Almighty, and to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles" (Zechariah 14:16 NIV)**

but more commonly refer to it by its Hebrew name: Sukkot.  
Sukkot is one of the three major pilgrimage festivals of Israel

**It is a commemoration of the exodus from Egypt.**

In the Gospel of John, Jesus taught in the Temple during Sukkot (John 7:2-14). It was on

the seventh day, *Hoshana Rabbah*, when he said, “If anyone thirsts, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, ‘Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water’” (John 7:37-38 ESV).

**It depicts the messianic future of peace and God’s provision.**

The observance of the Feast of Tabernacles is recorded in Exodus 23:16, 34:22; Leviticus 23:34-43; Numbers 29:12-40; Deuteronomy 16:13-15; Ezra 3:4; and Nehemiah 8:13-18.

4 Holy Species from left to right: Lulav (palm frond), Hadass (myrtle), Aravah (willow branch), Etrog (citron) carrier, Etrog (citron) outside its carrier

**From temporary dwellings like nomads wandering the wilderness to the permanent home in the promised land! Promise fulfilled!**

He (Solomon) offered the sacrifices for the Sabbaths, the new moon festivals, and the three annual festivals—the Passover celebration, the Festival of Harvest, and the Festival of Shelters—as Moses had commanded. (2 Chronicles 8:13, NLT)



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Jhn 12:27 "Now My soul has become **troubled**; and what am I to say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose I came to this hour.

1.to agitate, trouble (a thing, by the movement of its parts to and fro)

1. to cause one inward commotion, take away his calmness of mind, disturb his equanimity
2. to disquiet, make restless
3. to stir up
4. to trouble
  1. to strike one's spirit with fear and dread
5. to render anxious or distressed
6. to perplex the mind of one by suggesting scruples or doubts

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[Mat 14:26 NASB20] 26 When the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were terrified[G5015], and said, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear.

[Mar 6:50 NASB20] 50 for they all saw Him and were terrified[G5015]. But immediately He spoke with them and said to them, "Take courage; it is I, do not be

afraid."

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[Luk 24:38 NASB20] 38 And He said to them, "Why are you frightened[G5015], and why are doubts arising in your hearts?"

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**[Jhn 11:33 NASB20] 33 Therefore when Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her [also] weeping, He was deeply moved in spirit and was troubled[G5015], [Jhn 11:35 NASB20] 35 Jesus wept.**

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**[Jhn 14:1, 27 NASB20] 1 "Do not let your heart be troubled[G5015]; believe in God, believe also in Me. ... 27 "Peace I leave you, My peace I give you; not as the world gives, do I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled[G5015], nor fearful.**

[Act 15:24 NASB20] 24 Since we have heard that some of our number to whom we gave no instruction have confused[G5015] you by [their] teaching, upsetting your souls,

[Act 17:8, 13 NASB20] 8 They stirred[G5015] up the crowd and the city authorities who heard these things. ... 13 But when the Jews of Thessalonica found out that the word of God had been proclaimed by Paul in Berea also, they came there as well, agitating and stirring[G5015] up the crowds.

[Gal 1:7 NASB20] 7 which is not [just] another [account;] but there are some who are disturbing[G5015] you and want to distort the gospel of Christ.

[Gal 5:10 NASB20] 10 I have confidence in you in the Lord, that you will adopt no other view; but the one who is disturbing[G5015] you will bear the punishment, whoever he is.

[1Pe 3:14 NASB20] 14 But even if you should suffer for the sake of righteousness, you are blessed. AND DO NOT FEAR THEIR INTIMIDATION, AND DO NOT BE IN DREAD[G5015],



# Here comes the King!

## † Gospel according to John

- Hosanna . . . The King of Israel – 12:13, 1:49, 19:19
- Jesus (Joshua, Savior, Jehovah is salvation) – 12:21
- The Son of Man – 12:23
- The Christ (anointed one, Messiah) – 12:34
- The Light – 12:35, 36, 38, 46
- THE ARM OF THE LORD – 12:38

### Titles and Descriptors

#### Hosanna “oh save!”

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[Jhn 12:23 NASB20] 23 But Jesus answered them by saying, "The hour has come for **the Son of Man** to be glorified.

[Jhn 12:34 NASB20] 34 The crowd then answered Him, "We have heard from the Law that **the Christ** is to remain forever; and how [is it that] You say, 'The Son of Man must be lifted up'? Who is this Son of Man?"

[Jhn 12:35 NASB20] 35 So Jesus said to them, "For a little while longer **the Light** is among you. Walk while you have the Light, so that darkness will not overtake you; also, the one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going.

[Jhn 12:36 NASB20] 36 "While you have the Light, believe in the Light, so that you may become sons of Light." These things Jesus proclaimed, and He went away and hid Himself from them.

[Jhn 12:38 NASB20] 38 [This happened] so that the word of Isaiah the prophet which he spoke would be fulfilled: "LORD, WHO HAS BELIEVED OUR REPORT? AND TO WHOM HAS THE ARM OF THE LORD BEEN REVEALED?"

[Jhn 12:46 NASB20] 46 "I have come [as] Light into the world, so that no one who believes in Me will remain in darkness.

[Jhn 1:49 NASB20] 49 Nathanael answered Him, "**Rabbi**, You are **the Son of God**; You are **the King of Israel!**"

[Jhn 6:15 NASB20] 15 So Jesus, aware that they intended to come and take Him by force **to make Him king**, withdrew again to the mountain by Himself, alone.

[Jhn 12:13, 15 NASB20] 13 they took the branches of the palm trees and went out to meet Him, and [began] shouting, "Hosanna! BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD, indeed, the King of Israel!" ... 15 "DO NOT FEAR, DAUGHTER OF ZION; BEHOLD, **YOUR KING IS COMING, SEATED ON A DONKEY'S COLT.**"

[Jhn 18:33, 37, 39 NASB20] 33 Therefore Pilate entered the Praetorium again, and summoned Jesus and said to Him, "You are the King of the Jews?" ... 37 Therefore Pilate said to Him, "So You are a king?" **Jesus answered, "You say [correctly] that I am a king. For this [purpose] I have been born, and for this I have come into the world:** to testify to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to My voice." ... 39 "However, you have a custom that I release one [prisoner] for you at the Passover; therefore do you wish that I release for you the King of the Jews?"

[Jhn 19:3, 12, 14-15, 19, 21 NASB20] 3 and they [repeatedly] came up to Him and said, "**Hail, King of the Jews!**" and slapped Him in the face [again and again.] ... 12 As a result of this, Pilate made efforts to release Him; but the Jews shouted, saying, "If you release this Man, you are not a friend of Caesar; everyone who makes himself [out to be] a king opposes Caesar!" ... 14 Now it was the day of preparation for the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. And he said to the Jews, "Look, your King!" 15 So they shouted, "Away with [Him,] away with [Him,] crucify Him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king except Caesar." ... 19 Now **Pilate also wrote an inscription and put it on the cross. It was written: "JESUS THE NAZARENE, THE KING OF THE JEWS."** ... 21 So the chief priests of the Jews were saying to Pilate, "Do not write, 'The King of the Jews'; rather, [write] that He said, 'I am King of the Jews.'"

[Mat 2:2 NASB20] 2 "Where is He who has been born **King of the Jews**? For we saw His star in the east and have come to worship Him."

[Mat 21:9-11 NASB20] 9 Now the crowds going ahead of Him, and those who followed, were shouting, "**Hosanna to the Son of David**; BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD; Hosanna in the highest!" 10 When He had entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, "Who is this?" 11 And the crowds were saying, "This is Jesus **the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee.**"

[Mat 27:37, 42 NASB20] 37 And above His head they put up the charge against Him which read, "THIS IS JESUS **THE KING OF THE JEWS.**" ... 42 "He saved others; He cannot save Himself! He is the King of Israel; let Him now come down from the cross, and we will believe in Him.

## Son of David

[Mat 1:1, 20 NASB20] 1 The record of the genealogy of Jesus the Messiah, the son of David, the son of Abraham: ... 20 But when he had thought this over, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary as your wife; for the Child who has been conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit.

[Mat 9:27 NASB20] 27 As Jesus went on from there, two men who were blind followed Him, crying out, "Have mercy on us, Son of David!"

[Mat 12:23 NASB20] 23 And all the crowds were amazed and were saying, "This man cannot be the Son of David, can he?"

[Mat 15:22 NASB20] 22 And a Canaanite woman from that region came out and [began] to cry out, saying, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely demon-possessed."

[Mat 20:30-31 NASB20] 30 And two people who were blind, sitting by the road, hearing that Jesus was passing by, cried out, "Lord, have mercy on us, Son of David!" 31 But the crowd sternly warned them to be quiet; yet they cried out all the more, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!"

[Mat 21:9, 15 NASB20] 9 Now the crowds going ahead of Him, and those who followed, were shouting, "Hosanna to **the Son of David**; BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD; Hosanna in the highest!" ... 15 But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that He had done, and the children who were shouting in the temple [area,] "Hosanna to **the Son of David**," they became indignant,

[Mat 22:42 NASB20] 42 **"What do you think about the Christ? Whose son is He?" They said to Him, "[The son] of David."**

John never uses this phrase

## Son of God

[Jhn 1:34, 49 NASB20] 34 "And I myself have seen, and have testified that this is **the Son of God**." ... 49 Nathanael answered Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God; You are the King of Israel!"

[Jhn 3:18 NASB20] 18 "The one who believes in Him is not judged; the one who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

[Jhn 5:25 NASB20] 25 "Truly, truly, I say to you, a time is coming and even now has arrived, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live.

[Jhn 10:36 NASB20] 36 are you saying of Him whom the Father sanctified and sent into the world, 'You are blaspheming,' because I said, 'I am the Son of God'?

[Jhn 11:4, 27 NASB20] 4 But when Jesus heard [this,] He said, "This sickness is not meant for death, but [is] for the glory of God, **so that the Son of God may be glorified** by it." ... 27 She said to Him, "Yes, Lord; I have come to believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, [and] He who comes into the world."

[Jhn 19:7 NASB20] 7 The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and by that law He ought to die, because **He made Himself [out to be] the Son of God!**"

[Jhn 20:31 NASB20] 31 but these have been written **so that you may believe that Jesus**

**is the Christ, the Son of God; and that by believing you may have life in His name.**

## Here comes the King!

† Matthew 21:9 – Hosanna to the Son of David; BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD . . . 11 the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee



Why a Donkey?

[Gen 16:12 NASB20] 12 "But **he will be a wild donkey of a man**; His hand [will be] against everyone, And everyone's hand [will be] against him; And he will live in defiance of all his brothers."

Gen 22:3 So **Abraham got up early in the morning and saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him and his son Isaac**; and he split wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place of which God had told him.

[Num 22:21, 23, 25, 27-30, 32-33 NASB20] 21 So **Balaam arose in the morning, saddled his donkey**, and went with the leaders of Moab. ... 23 When the donkey saw the angel of the LORD standing in the road with his sword drawn in his hand, the donkey turned off from the road and went into the field; and Balaam struck the donkey to guide her back onto the road. ... 25 When the donkey saw the angel of the LORD, she pressed herself against the wall and pressed Balaam's foot against the wall, so he struck her again. ... 27 When the donkey saw the angel of the LORD, she lay down under Balaam; so Balaam was angry and struck the donkey with his staff. 28 Then the LORD opened the mouth of the donkey, and she said to Balaam, "What have I done to you, that you have struck me these three times?" 29 And Balaam said to the donkey, "[It is] because you have made a mockery of me! If only there had been a sword in my hand! For I would have killed you by now!" 30 But the donkey said to Balaam, "Am I not your

donkey on which you have ridden all your life to this day? Have I ever been in the habit of doing such a thing to you?" And he said, "No." ... 32 Then the angel of the LORD said to him, "Why have you struck your donkey these three times? Behold, I have come out as an adversary, because your way was reckless [and] contrary to me. 33 **"But the donkey saw me and turned away from me these three times. If she had not turned away from me, I certainly would have killed you just now, and let her live."**

[Jdg 15:15-16 NASB20] 15 Then he found a fresh jawbone of a donkey, so he reached out with his hand and took it, and killed a thousand men with it. 16 And Samson said, "With the jawbone of a donkey, Heaps upon heaps, With the jawbone of a donkey I have killed a thousand men."

[Job 11:12 NASB20] 12 **"An idiot will become intelligent When a wild donkey is born a human.**

[Pro 26:3 NASB20] 3 **A whip is for the horse, a bridle for the donkey, And a rod for the back of fools.**

[Isa 1:3 NASB20] 3 **"An ox knows its owner, And a donkey its master's manger, [But] Israel does not know, My people do not understand."**

[Jer 2:24 NASB20] 24 **A wild donkey accustomed to the wilderness, That sniffs the wind in her passion. Who can turn her away [in] her mating season? None who seek her will grow weary; In her month they will find her.**

[Hos 8:9 NASB20] 9 For they have gone up to Assyria, [Like] a wild donkey all alone; Ephraim has paid fees for lovers.

[Zec 9:9 NASB20] 9 Rejoice greatly, daughter of Zion! Shout [in triumph,] daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; He is righteous and endowed with salvation, Humble, and mounted on a donkey, Even on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

# Open the gates!

## † Zechariah

- Humble on a donkey, even a colt, shout! – 9:9-11, 16
- 30 pieces of silver, potter's field – 11:12-13
- They will look at Me whom they pierced – 12:10
- What are these wounds . . . By my friends . . . Strike shepherd, sheep scatter – 13:6-
- His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives – 14:4

**This fulfills Prophecy and welcomes a new Age/Kingdom!**

[Psa 24:7, 9 **Lift up your heads, you gates, And be lifted up, you ancient doors, That the King of glory may come in!** ... 9 Lift up your heads, you gates, And lift [them] up, you ancient doors, That the King of glory may come in!

[Psa 87:2 NASB20] 2 **The LORD loves the gates of Zion More than all the [other] dwelling places of Jacob.**

People began to spread their cloaks on the road for Jesus to ride over like a red carpet, an action reminiscent of the way the crowds spread their cloaks on the ground in **2 Kings 9.13 when Jehu was anointed King** of Israel

1Ki 1:33 NASB20] 33 And the king said to them, "Take with you the servants of your lord, and have my son Solomon ride on my own mule, and bring him down to Gihon.

[Zec 9:9-10 NASB20] 9 **Rejoice greatly, daughter of Zion! Shout [in triumph,] daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; He is righteous and endowed with salvation, Humble, and mounted on a donkey, Even on a colt, the foal of a donkey. 10 And I will eliminate the chariot from Ephraim And the horse from Jerusalem; And the bow of war will be eliminated. And He will speak peace to the nations; And His dominion will be from sea to sea, And from the**



**[Euphrates] River to the ends of the earth.**

[Zec 11:12-14 And I said to them, "If it is good in your sight, give [me] my wages; but if not, never mind!" So they weighed out **thirty [shekels] of silver** as my wages. 13 Then the LORD said to me, "**Throw it to the potter, [that] magnificent price at which I was valued by them.**" So I took the thirty [shekels] of silver and threw them to the potter [in] the house of the LORD. 14 Then I cut in pieces my second staff Union, to break the brotherhood between Judah and Israel. **Matthew 27:9-10**

[Zec 12:10 NASB20] 10 "And I will pour out on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem the Spirit of grace and of pleading, **so that they will look at Me whom they pierced;** and they will mourn for Him, like one mourning for an only son, and they will weep bitterly over Him like the bitter weeping over a firstborn. Rev.1:7, Jn.19:34

[Zec 13:6-9 NASB20] 6 "And [someone] will say to him, '**What are these wounds between your arms?**' Then he will say, '[Those] with which **I was wounded at the house of my friends.**' 7 "**Awake, sword, against My Shepherd,** And against the Man, My Associate," Declares the LORD of armies. "**Strike the Shepherd and the sheep will be scattered;** And I will turn My hand against the little ones. 8 "And it will come about in all the land," Declares the LORD, "That two parts in it will be cut off [and] perish; But the third will be left in it. 9 "And I will bring the third part through the fire, Refine them as silver is refined, And test them as gold is tested. They will call on My name, And I will answer them; I will say, 'They are My people,' And they will say, 'The LORD is my God.'" Mk.14:27-30

[Zec 14:4 NASB20] 4 On that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, which is in front of Jerusalem on the east; and the Mount of Olives will be split in its middle from east to west [forming] a very large valley. Half of the mountain will move toward the north, and the other half toward the south.

Psa 118:1-29 Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; For His mercy is everlasting. 2 Let Israel say, "His mercy is everlasting." 3 Oh let the house of Aaron say, "His mercy is everlasting." 4 Let those who fear the LORD say, "His mercy is everlasting." 5 From [my] distress I called upon the LORD; The LORD answered me [and] [put me] in an open space. 6 The LORD is for me; I will not fear; What can man do to me? 7 The LORD is for me among those who help me; Therefore I will look [with satisfaction] on those who hate me. 8 It is better to take refuge in the LORD Than to trust in people. 9 It is better to take refuge in the LORD Than to trust in noblemen. 10 **All nations surrounded me;** In the name of the LORD I will certainly fend them off. 11 They surrounded me, yes, they surrounded me; In the name of the LORD I will certainly fend them off. 12 They surrounded me like bees; They were extinguished like a fire of thorn bushes; In the name of the LORD I will certainly fend them off. 13 You pushed me violently so that I was falling, But the LORD helped me. 14 **The LORD is my strength and song, And He has become my salvation.** 15 **The sound of joyful shouting and salvation is in the tents of the righteous; The right hand of the LORD performs valiantly.** 16 The right hand of the LORD is exalted; The right hand of the LORD performs valiantly. 17 I will not die, but live, And tell of the works of the LORD. 18 The LORD has disciplined me severely, But He has not turned me over to death. 19 **Open the gates of righteousness to me; I will**

enter through them, I will give thanks to the LORD. 20 This is the gate of the LORD; The righteous will enter through it. 21 I will give thanks to You, for You have answered me, And You have become my salvation. 22 A stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. 23 This came about from the LORD; It is marvelous in our eyes. 24 This is the day which the LORD has made; Let's rejoice and be glad in it. 25 Please, O LORD, do save [us;] Please, O LORD, do send prosperity! 26 Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the LORD; We have blessed you from the house of the LORD. 27 The LORD is God, and He has given us light; Bind the festival sacrifice to the horns of the altar with cords. 28 You are my God, and I give thanks to You; [You are] my God, I exalt You. 29 Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good; For His mercy is everlasting.

[Mat 21:9-11 NASB20] 9 Now the crowds going ahead of Him, and those who followed, were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David; **BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD; Hosanna in the highest!**" 10 When He had entered Jerusalem, all the city was stirred, saying, "Who is this?" 11 And the crowds were saying, "This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee."

[Mat 23:39 NASB20] 39 "For I say to you, from now on you will not see Me until you say, '**BLESSED IS THE ONE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!**'"

[Mar 11:8-10 NASB20] 8 And many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others [spread] leafy branches which they had cut from the fields. 9 And those who went in front and those who followed were shouting: "**Hosanna! BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD; 10 Blessed [is] the coming kingdom of our father David; Hosanna in the highest!**"

[Luk 19:35-38 NASB20] 35 And they brought it to Jesus, and they threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus [on it.] 36 Now as He was going, they were spreading their cloaks on the road. 37 And as soon as He was approaching, near the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the miracles which they had seen, 38 shouting: "**BLESSED IS the King, THE ONE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD; Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!**"

[Jhn 12:15 NASB20] 15 "DO NOT FEAR, DAUGHTER OF ZION; **BEHOLD, YOUR KING IS COMING, SEATED ON A DONKEY'S COLT.**"

[Isa 26:2 NASB20] 2 "Open the gates, that the righteous nation may enter, The one that remains faithful.

[Rev 22:14 NASB20] 14 Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life, and may enter the city by the gates.

[Psa 9:14 NASB20] 14 So that I may tell of all Your praises, That in the gates of the daughter of Zion I may rejoice in Your salvation.

[Psa 100:4 NASB20] 4 Enter His gates with thanksgiving, [And] His courtyards with

praise. Give thanks to Him, bless His name.

### **Jesus Opens Gates and Holds the Keys!!**

**Matthew 16:18** ESV And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and **the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.** Rev.1:18

**Matthew 16:19** ESV I will give you the **keys of the kingdom of heaven**, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”

**Isaiah 22:22** ESV And I will place on his shoulder **the key of the house of David.** He shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open.

**Revelation 1:18** ESV And the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and **I have the keys of Death and Hades.**

**Revelation 3:7** ESV “And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: ‘The words of the holy one, the true one, **who has the key of David, who opens and no one will shut, who shuts and no one opens.**

**Revelation 20:1** ESV Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding in his hand **the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain.**

**Revelation 9:1** ESV And the fifth angel blew his trumpet, and I saw a star fallen from heaven to earth, and **he was given the key to the shaft of the bottomless pit.**

[Col 2:15 NASB20] 15 When **He had disarmed the rulers and authorities, He made a public display [of them,] having triumphed over them through Him.**

# Open the gates!

## † Psalm 118

- Open the gates! – 19-20
- Lord save us! – 25
- Blessed is the one who comes - 26

**Golden Gate (Jerusalem) is the oldest of the current gates in Jerusalem's Old City Walls.**

Jesus passed through this gate on Palm Sunday. Remains of a much older gate dating to the times of the Second Jewish Temple were found. The present one was probably built in the 520s AD, as part of Justinian I's building program in Jerusalem

Jesus appear again when the Messiah comes (Ezekiel 44:1-3) and a new gate replaces the present one.

**Muslims Blocking Future Jesus from Entering the Gate**

This is the gate through which the Messiah will enter Jerusalem, and it is suggested that Suleiman the Magnificent sealed off the Golden Gate to prevent the Messiah's entrance.

Islamic teaching Elijah is a descendant of Aaron, making him a priest or kohen. Second, that a Jewish Rabbi or Kohen is Not permitted to Enter a Cemetery.

The Ottomans also built a Cemetery in front of the gate, in the belief that the precursor to the Messiah, Elijah, would not be able to pass through the Golden Gate and thus the Messiah would not come.

**Muslim Cemetery**

And the LORD said to me, **“This gate shall be shut; it shall not be opened, and no one shall enter by it, for the LORD God of Israel has entered by it; therefore it shall be shut.**  
Ezekiel 44:2

- The Beautiful Gate? Acts 3:2
- The Gate of Mercy
- The Eastern Gate
- The Temple Gate
- The Golden Gate

**On that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, which is in front of Jerusalem on the east; ant the Mount of Olives**  
Zechariah 14:4

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Mt.21:12 And Jesus entered the temple

It is currently the oldest gate in the Old City, having been constructed in the 6th or 7th century AD. Also, it is the gate that gives the most direct access to the temple mount—if a person could pass through the arches of the Eastern Gate, he would be very close to where the Jewish temple used to stand. When Jesus entered Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives in Matthew 21, He used a gate in the same location as the current Eastern or Golden Gate.

**The Eastern Gate was sealed shut in AD 1540–41 by order of Suleiman the Magnificent, a sultan of the Ottoman Empire. It’s believed that the reason for the closing of the Eastern Gate was to prevent the Jewish Messiah from gaining entrance to Jerusalem. Jewish tradition states that the Messiah will pass through the Eastern Gate when He comes to rule. The Muslim Suleiman was attempting to thwart the Messiah’s plans with sixteen feet of cement. The Eastern Gate has remained sealed for nearly the past 500 years.**

<https://www.gotquestions.org/eastern-gate-Jerusalem.html>

[Eze 10:18-19 NASB20] 18 Then the glory of the LORD departed from the threshold of the temple and stood over the cherubim. 19 When the cherubim departed, they lifted their wings and rose up from the ground in my sight with the wheels beside them; and

they stood still at the entrance of the east gate of the LORD'S house, and the glory of the God of Israel hovered over them.

[Eze 11:23 NASB20] 23 **The glory of the LORD went up from the midst of the city and stood over the mountain which is east of the city.**

[Eze 46:12 NASB20] 12 "And **when the prince provides a voluntary offering**, a burnt offering, or peace offerings [as] a voluntary offering to the LORD, **the gate facing east shall be opened for him**. And he shall provide his burnt offering and his peace offerings as he does on the Sabbath day. Then he shall go out, and the gate shall be shut after he goes out.

[Zec 14:4 NASB20] 4 **On that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, which is in front of Jerusalem on the east; and the Mount of Olives will be split in its middle from east to west [forming] a very large valley. Half of the mountain will move toward the north, and the other half toward the south.**

[Zec 14:12 NASB20] 12 Now this will be the plague with which the LORD will strike all the peoples who have gone to war against Jerusalem; their flesh will rot while they stand on their feet, and their eyes will rot in their sockets, and their tongue will rot in their mouth.

Model of the Eastern gate or the possible **Shushan Gate** in the Holyland Model of Jerusalem. Evidently the name of this gate was the "Eastern Gate," and that it had on it a shape signifying Shushan. If the Golden Gate does preserve the location of the Shushan Gate, which is only a presumption with no archaeological proof, this would make it the oldest of the current gates in Jerusalem's Old City Walls.

Additionally, the gate is significant for Jews because according to tradition, on the holiday of Yom Kippor (Day of Atonement), a Temple messenger was sent through this gate with a sacrificial lamb to the desert. Therefore, the gate holds historical and traditional significance for the Jews, as well as remaining an indicator of the Messiah who is meant to come.



Notice different kinds of people including a Roman Soldier, dark skinned, child, lamb,

## 2 Messiahs? Or 2 Comings!

† Messiah ben Joseph, Messiah ben David

† “We have heard from the Law that the Christ is to **remain forever**; and how is it that You say, ‘the Son of Man must be lifted up’?”

– Jn 12:34

† Not who we expected, yet far greater than our wildest imaginations and hopes!

[Jhn 12:16 NASB20] 16 These things His disciples did not understand at the first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written of Him, and that they had done these things for Him.

[Jhn 12:33-34 NASB20] 33 Now He was saying this to indicate what kind of death He was going to die. 34 The crowd then answered Him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ is to remain forever; and how [is it that] You say, 'The Son of Man must be lifted up'? Who is this Son of Man?"

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# FIRST & SECOND COMING OF CHRIST CONTRASTED

FIRST COMING	SECOND COMING
Christ comes to save sinners (John 3:17; I Tim. 1:15)	Christ comes to condemn sinners (II Ths. 1:7-9; Rev. 14:18-21)
Christ shed His blood	Christ sheds His enemies' blood (Rev. 14:18-21; Isa. 63:1-6)
Christ rides a humble donkey (Mat. 21:4-9)	Christ rides a glorious white horse (Rev. 19:11)
The devil has Jesus bound (Mat. 27:2)	Jesus has the devil bound (Rev. 20:2)
Jerusalem destroyed (70 A.D.)	Babylon destroyed (Rev. 17)
Jesus is a servant	Jesus is a king
Jesus is a lamb (John 1:29)	Jesus is a Lion (Rev. 5:5)
Jesus is rejected by the Jews, but received by the Gentiles (John 1:11-12)	Rejected by Gentiles, received by Jews (Isa. 66:7-8; Rom. 11:25-28; Rev. 7)
Jesus turned down the kingdoms of this world (Luke 4:5-8)	Jesus rules the kingdoms of this world (Rev. 11:15-17)
Jesus established a spiritual kingdom (Rom. 14:17; Col. 1:13)	Jesus establishes a physical kingdom (Rev. 20:1-7; Dan. 2:44)
The "king of the Jews" crucified (Mat. 27:37)	The "KING OF KINGS" reigns (Rev. 19:16)
Receives a crown of thorns (Mat. 27:29)	Receives many crowns (Rev. 19:12)
Jesus lies in a manger (Luke 2:7)	Jesus sits on a throne (Luke 1:32; Rev. 6:16-17)

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Unrighteousness is the Norm, Righteousness rules!  
 Tempted by Satan, Defeated Satan for good  
 Armies and splendor vs. Lowliness and servanthood  
 Conquers nations vs hearts and minds  
 Temporal peace vs peace with God



His 2<sup>nd</sup> coming will be very different!

[Rev 14:14 NASB20] 14 Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and sitting on the cloud [was] one like a son of man, with a golden crown on His head and a sharp sickle in His hand.

[Rev 19:11-16 NASB20] 11 **And I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse, and He who sat on it [is] called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and wages war. 12 His eyes [are] a flame of fire, and on His head [are] many crowns; and He has a name written [on Him] which no one knows except Himself. 13 [He is] clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. 14 And the armies which are in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white [and] clean, were following Him on white horses. 15 From His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He may strike down the nations, and He will rule them with a rod of iron; and He treads the wine press of the fierce wrath of God, the Almighty. 16 And on His robe and on His thigh He has a name written: "KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS."**

[Rev 20:11 NASB20] 11 Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it, from whose presence earth and heaven fled, and no place was found for them.

## “Now My soul has become troubled”

- † A grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies
- † What am I to say? ‘Father, save Me from this hour’? **But for this purpose I came to this hour.**
- † Now the ruler of this world will be cast out.
- † If I am **lifted up** from the earth (the Cross!)

Death was dealt a death blow in Jn.11, Next up: **Sin and Satan**

[Jhn 12:16 NASB20] 16 These things His disciples did not understand at the first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written of Him, and that they had done these things for Him.

[Jhn 12:24 NASB20] 24 "**Truly, truly I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.**

[Jhn 12:27 NASB20] 27 "**Now My soul has become troubled; and what am I to say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose I came to this hour.**

[Jhn 12:31 NASB20] 31 "**Now judgment is [upon] this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out.**

[Jhn 12:32-33 NASB20] 32 "And I, **if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all [people] to Myself.**" 33 Now He was saying this **to indicate what kind of death He was going to die.**

[Jhn 12:34 NASB20] 34 The crowd then answered Him, "We have heard from the Law that **the Christ is to remain forever**; and how [is it that] You say, 'The Son of Man must be lifted up'? Who is this Son of Man?"

[Jhn 12:47 NASB20] 47 "If anyone hears My teachings and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for **I did not come to judge the world, but to save the world.**

[Luk 12:49-50 NASB20] 49 "I have come to cast fire upon the earth; and how I wish it were already kindled! 50 "But I have a baptism to undergo, and how distressed I am until it is accomplished!

[Luk 19:10 NASB20] 10 "For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost."

[Mat 26:53-54 "Or do you think that I cannot appeal to My Father, and He will at once put at My disposal more than twelve legions of angels? 54 "How then would the Scriptures be fulfilled, [which say] that it must happen this way?"

[Jhn 18:37 NASB20] 37 Therefore Pilate said to Him, "So You are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say [correctly] that I am a king. For this [purpose] I have been born, and for this I have come into the world: to testify to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to My voice."

[1Ti 1:15 NASB20] 15 It is a trustworthy statement, deserving full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom I am foremost.

[Heb 2:14 NASB20] 14 Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, so that through death He might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil,

[Heb 10:5-9 NASB20] 5 Therefore, when He comes into the world, He says, "YOU HAVE NOT DESIRED SACRIFICE AND OFFERING, BUT YOU HAVE PREPARED A BODY FOR ME; 6 YOU HAVE NOT TAKEN PLEASURE IN WHOLE BURNT OFFERINGS AND [OFFERINGS] FOR SIN. 7 "THEN I SAID, 'BEHOLD, I HAVE COME (IT IS WRITTEN OF ME IN THE SCROLL OF THE BOOK) TO DO YOUR WILL, O GOD.'" 8 After saying above, "SACRIFICES AND OFFERINGS AND WHOLE BURNT OFFERINGS AND [OFFERINGS] FOR SIN YOU HAVE NOT DESIRED, NOR HAVE YOU TAKEN PLEASURE [IN THEM]" (which are offered according to the Law), 9 then He said, "BEHOLD, I HAVE COME TO DO YOUR WILL." He takes away the first in order to establish the second.

[Jhn 14:30 NASB20] 30 "I will not speak much more with you, for **the ruler of the world is coming, and he has nothing in [regard to] Me,**

[Jhn 16:11 NASB20] 11 and regarding judgment, because **the ruler of this world has been judged.**

[Luk 10:18-19 And He said to them, "**I watched Satan fall from heaven like lightning.** 19 "**Behold, I have given you authority to walk on snakes and scorpions, and [authority] over all the power of the enemy,** and nothing will injure you.

[Act 26:18 to open their eyes so **that they may turn from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God,** that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who have been sanctified by faith in Me.'

[2Co 4:4 NASB20] 4 in whose case **the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelieving** so that they will not see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.

[Eph 2:1-2 And you were dead in your offenses and sins, 2 in which you previously walked according to the course of this world, according to **the prince of the power of the air,** of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience.

[Eph 6:12 NASB20] 12 For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the

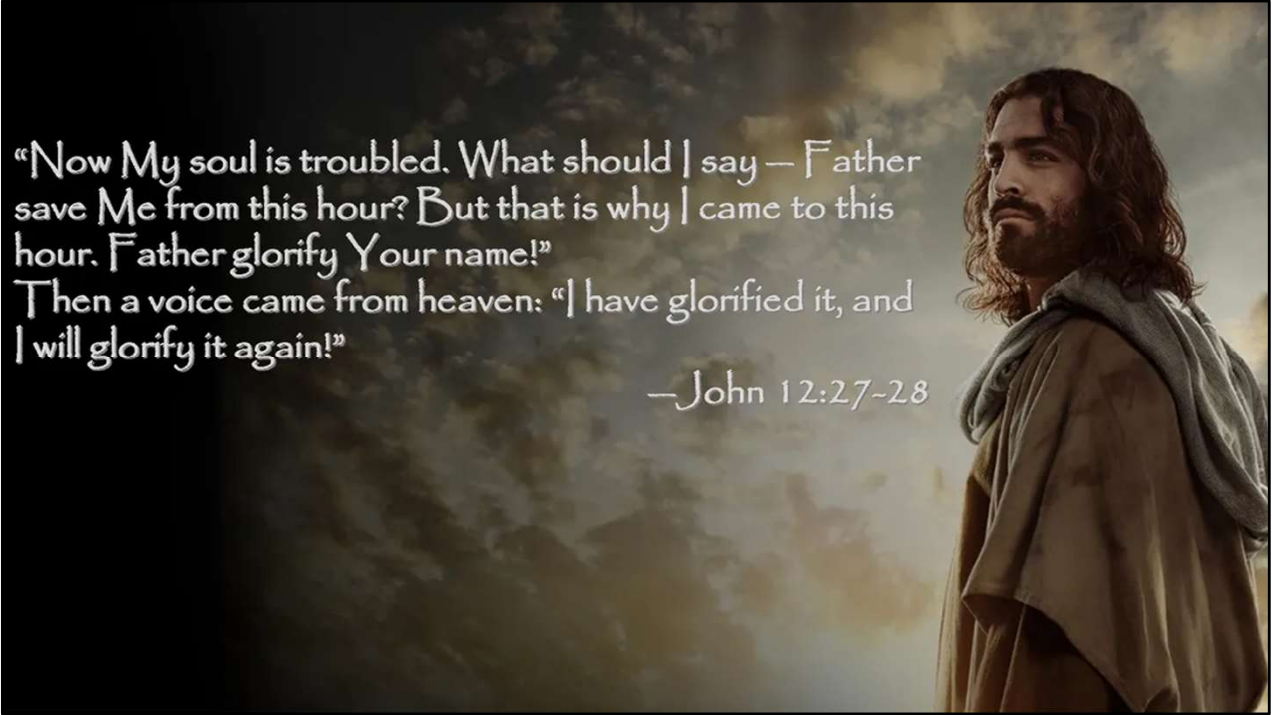
rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual [forces] of wickedness in the heavenly [places.]

[Col 2:15 NASB20] 15 When He had disarmed the rulers and authorities, He made a public display [of them,] having triumphed over them through Him.

[Heb 2:14 NASB20] 14 Therefore, since the children share in flesh and blood, He Himself likewise also partook of the same, **so that through death He might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil.**

[1Jo 3:8 NASB20] 8 the one who practices sin is of the devil; for the devil has been sinning from the beginning. **The Son of God appeared for this purpose, to destroy the works of the devil.**

[Rev 12:9-11 NASB20] 9 And the great dragon was thrown down, the serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. 10 Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation, and the power, and the kingdom of our God and the authority of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers [and sisters] has been thrown down, the one who accuses them before our God day and night. 11 "And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love their life [even] when faced with death.



“Now My soul is troubled. What should I say — Father save Me from this hour? But that is why I came to this hour. Father glorify Your name!”

Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again!”

—John 12:27-28

### **A voice came from Heaven!!**

[Luk 3:22 NASB20] 22 and the Holy Spirit descended upon Him in bodily form like a dove, and a voice came from heaven: "You are My beloved Son, in You I am well pleased."

[Luk 9:29, 34-35 NASB20] 29 And while He was praying, the appearance of His face became different, and His clothing [became] white [and] gleaming. ... 34 But while he was saying this, a cloud formed and [began] to overshadow them; and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. 35 And [then] a voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is My Son, [My] Chosen One; listen to Him!"

[Deu 18:18-19 NASB20] 18 'I will raise up for them a prophet from among their countrymen like you, and I will put My words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them everything that I command him. 19 **'And it shall come about that whoever does not listen to My words which he speaks in My name, I Myself will require [it] of him.**

[Act 3:22-23 NASB20] 22 "Moses said, 'THE LORD GOD WILL RAISE UP FOR YOU A PROPHET LIKE ME FROM YOUR COUNTRYMEN; **TO HIM YOU SHALL LISTEN** regarding everything He says to you. 23 'And it shall be that every soul that does not listen to that prophet shall be utterly destroyed from among the people.'

[Heb 2:3 NASB20] 3 how will we escape if we neglect so great a salvation? After it was

at first spoken through the Lord, it was confirmed to us by those who heard,



Jesus came into great fanfare riding a donkey,  
He's force marched out carrying a cross to the jeers and contempt of the very people He  
came to rule, hearing the braying/Hehewing of the donkeys!



## “Sir, we wish to see Jesus” – 12:21

† “the world has gone after Him!” – 12:19

† Now there were some Greeks among those who were going up to worship at the feast; - 12:20

† But though He had performed so many signs in their sight, they [still] were not believing in Him . . . Nevertheless . . . – 12:37

### Greeks in Jerusalem at Passover?!!

[Jhn 12:37 NASB20] 37 But though He had performed so many signs in their sight, they [still] were not believing in Him.

[Jhn 12:21-22 these [people] then came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida of Galilee, and were making a request of him, saying, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." 22 Philip came and told Andrew; [then] Andrew and Philip came and told Jesus.

### **The Greeks came to Disciples with Greek names**

[Jhn 12:38-41 NASB20] 38 [This happened] so that the word of Isaiah the prophet which he spoke would be fulfilled: "LORD, WHO HAS BELIEVED OUR REPORT? AND TO WHOM HAS THE ARM OF THE LORD BEEN REVEALED?" 39 For this reason they could not believe, for Isaiah said again, 40 "HE HAS BLINDED THEIR EYES AND HE HARDENED THEIR HEART, SO THAT THEY WILL NOT SEE WITH THEIR EYES AND UNDERSTAND WITH THEIR HEART, AND BE CONVERTED, AND [SO] I WILL [NOT] HEAL THEM." 41 These things Isaiah said because he saw His glory, and he spoke about Him.

[Jhn 12:42 NASB20] 42 Nevertheless many, even of the rulers, believed in Him, but because of the Pharisees they were not confessing [Him,] so that they would not be

excommunicated from the synagogue;

**Samaria** during his travels between Jerusalem and Galilee. He healed lepers (Lk 17:11-14), taught people, and many believed on him (Jn 4:4, 39-42).

Decapolis/**Greeks**: Jesus did visit many of these cities during his ministry and many asked to be healed (Mt 4:25; Mk 5:20, 7:31).

**Syrophoenician** Jesus also healed the daughter of a Gentile woman in Sidon because of her faith (Mt 15:21-28).

**Romans**: [Mat 8:13 NASB20] 13 And Jesus said to **the centurion**, "Go; it shall be done for you as you have believed." And the servant was healed at that [very] moment. [Mat 27:54 NASB20] 54 Now as for the centurion and those who were with him keeping guard over Jesus, when they saw the earthquake and the [other] things that were happening, they became extremely frightened and said, "**Truly this was the Son of God!**"

Later another Centurion and an **Ethiopian** Eunuch Acts 8:27

Pilate too?

**Even some Pharisees! John 19:38-39, mk.15:43, Lk.23:50**

**Even some Rich men Mt.27:57**

**Even some murderous sinners! Lk.23:40-43**

**Even A Roman centurion! Mt.27:54**

[Jhn 12:37, 42 NASB20] 37 But though He had performed so many signs in their sight, they [still] were not believing in Him. ... 42 Nevertheless many, even of the rulers, believed in Him, but because of the Pharisees they were not confessing [Him,] so that they would not be excommunicated from the synagogue;

[Act 10:43 NASB20] 43 "All the prophets testify of Him, that through His name everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins."

[1Pe 1:11 NASB20] 11 seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow.



## Have you opened the Gate ... of your Soul?

- † “The one who loves his life loses it, and the one who hates his life in this world will keep it to eternal life.” “If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me; and where I am, there My servant will be also.” – John 12:25
- † “The one who **rejects Me**”, Judged on the last day!

[Jhn 12:36 NASB20] 36 "While you have the Light, **believe in the Light, so that you may become sons of Light.**" These things Jesus proclaimed, and He went away and hid Himself from them.

[Jhn 12:47-48 NASB20] 47 "If anyone hears My teachings and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world, but to save the world. 48 "**The one who rejects Me and does not accept My teachings has one who judges him: the word** which I spoke. **That will judge him on the last day.**

[Isa 53:3 NASB20] 3 He was despised and abandoned by men, A man of great pain and familiar with sickness; And like one from whom [people] hide their faces, He was despised, and we had no regard for Him.

[Luk 7:30 NASB20] 30 But **the Pharisees and the lawyers rejected God's purpose for themselves**, not having been baptized by John.

[Luk 9:22 NASB20] 22 saying, "**The Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed and be raised on the third day.**"

[Luk 10:16 NASB20] 16 "**The one who listens to you listens to Me, and the one who rejects you rejects Me; but the one who rejects Me rejects the One who sent Me.**"

[Luk 17:25 NASB20] 25 "But first He must suffer many things and **be rejected by this generation.**

[Luk 20:17 NASB20] 17 But Jesus looked at them and said, "Then what is this [statement] that has been written: **'A STONE WHICH THE BUILDERS REJECTED, THIS HAS BECOME THE CHIEF CORNERSTONE'**?"

[Act 3:23 NASB20] 23 'And it shall be that **every soul that does not listen to that prophet shall be utterly destroyed** from among the people.'

[Heb 10:29-31 NASB20] 29 **How much more severe punishment do you think he will deserve who has trampled underfoot the Son of God**, and has regarded as unclean the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has insulted the Spirit of grace? 30 For we know Him who said, "VENGEANCE IS MINE, I WILL REPAY." And again, "THE LORD WILL JUDGE HIS PEOPLE." 31 It is a terrifying thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

[Jhn 3:19-20 NASB20] 19 "And this is the judgment, that the Light has come into the world, and **people loved the darkness rather than the Light**; for their deeds were evil. 20 "For everyone who does evil hates the Light, and does not come to the Light, so that his deeds will not be exposed.

[Jhn 3:36 NIV] 36 Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but **whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's wrath remains on them.**

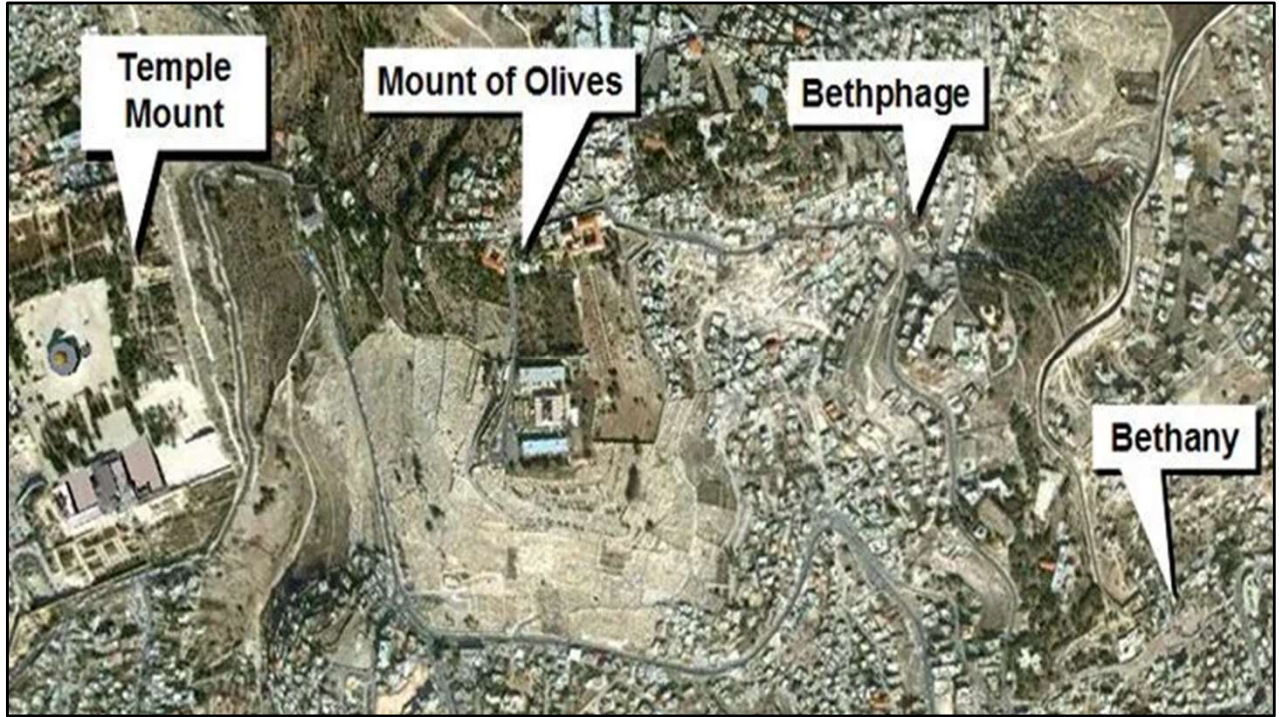
[1Th 4:8 NIV] 8 Therefore, **anyone who rejects this instruction does not reject a human being but God, the very God who gives you his Holy Spirit.**

[2Th 1:8 NASB20] 8 in flaming fire, dealing out retribution to those who do not know God, and **to those who do not obey the gospel** of our Lord Jesus.

[Act 16:14 NIV] 14 One of those listening was a woman from the city of Thyatira named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth. She was a worshiper of God. **The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul's message.**

[2Co 6:11 NIV] 11 We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians, and **opened wide our hearts to you.**













[Mat 21:19-21 NASB20] 19 And seeing a lone fig tree by the road, He came to it and found nothing on it except leaves alone; and He said to it, "No longer shall there ever be [any] fruit from you." And at once the fig tree withered. 20 Seeing [this,] the disciples were amazed and asked, "How did the fig tree wither [all] at once?" 21 And Jesus answered and said to them, "Truly I say to you, if you have faith and do not doubt, you will not only do what [was done] to the fig tree, but even if you say to this mountain, 'Be taken up and cast into the sea,' it will happen.

[Mat 24:32 NASB20] 32 "Now learn the parable from the fig tree: as soon as its branch has become tender and sprouts its leaves, you know that summer is near;

[Mar 11:13 NASB20] 13 Seeing from a distance a fig tree in leaf, He went [to see] if perhaps He would find anything on it; and when He came to it, He found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season for figs.

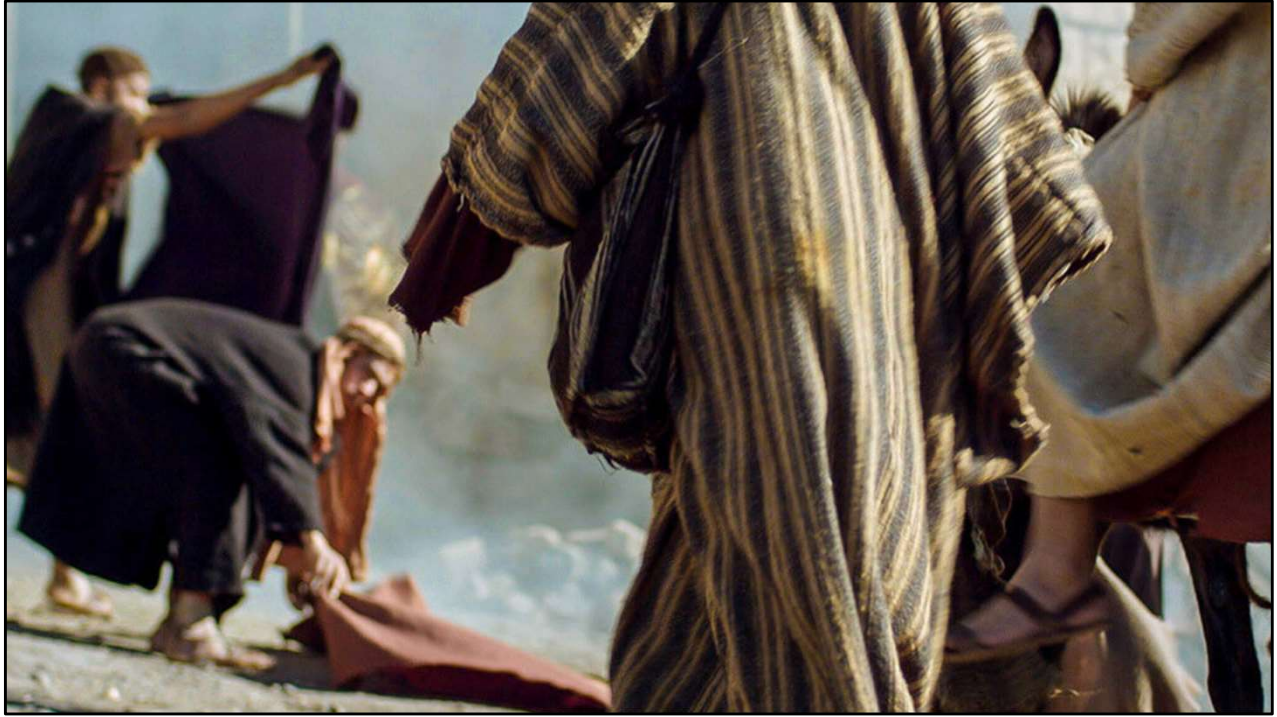


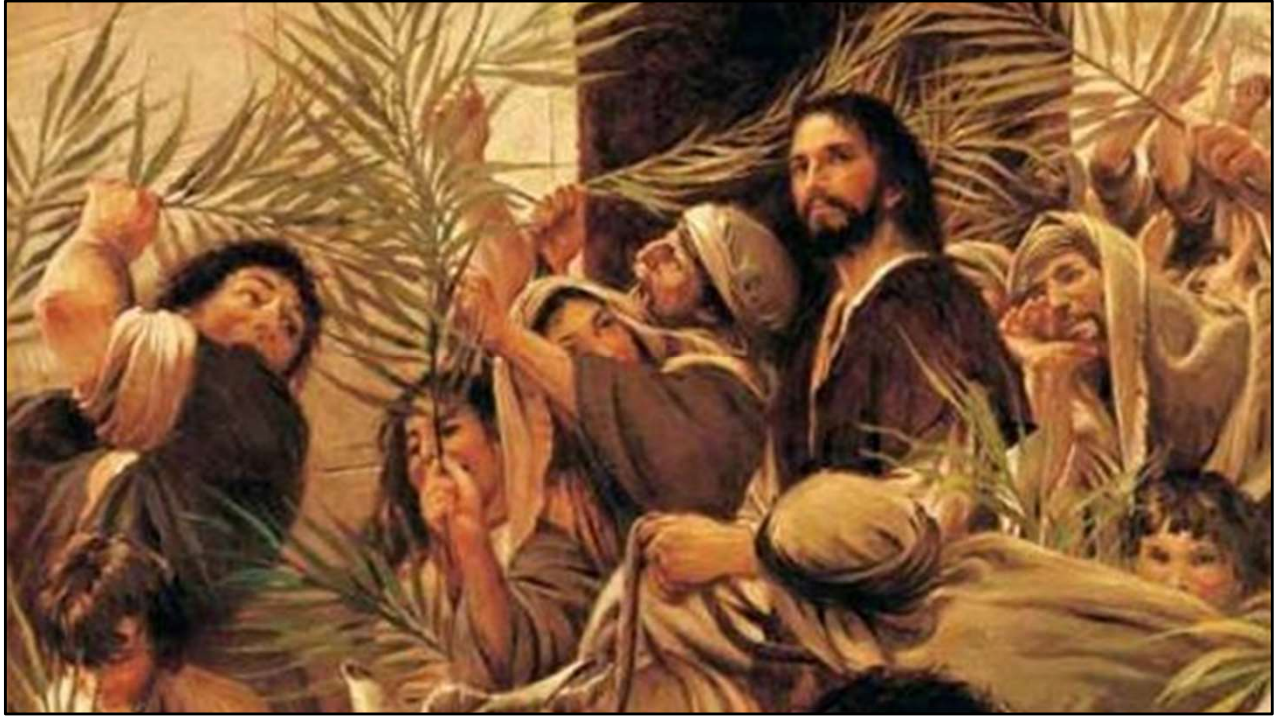
[Jhn 2:13-25 NASB20] 13 The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. 14 And within the temple [grounds] He found those who were selling oxen, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated [at their tables.] 15 And He made a whip of cords, and drove [them] all out of the temple [area,] with the sheep and the oxen; and He poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables; 16 and to those who were selling the doves He said, "Take these things away from here; stop making My Father's house a place of business!" 17 His disciples remembered that it was written: "ZEAL FOR YOUR HOUSE WILL CONSUME ME." 18 The Jews then said to Him, "What sign do You show us as your authority for doing these things?" 19 Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." 20 The Jews then said, "It took forty-six years to build this temple, and [yet] You will raise it up in three days?" 21 But He was speaking about the temple of His body. 22 So when He was raised from the dead, His disciples remembered that He said this; and they believed the Scripture and the word which Jesus had spoken. 23 Now when He was in Jerusalem at the Passover, during the feast, many believed in His name as they observed His signs which He was doing. 24 But Jesus, on His part, was not entrusting Himself to them, because He knew all people, 25 and because He did not need anyone to testify about mankind, for He Himself knew what was in mankind.













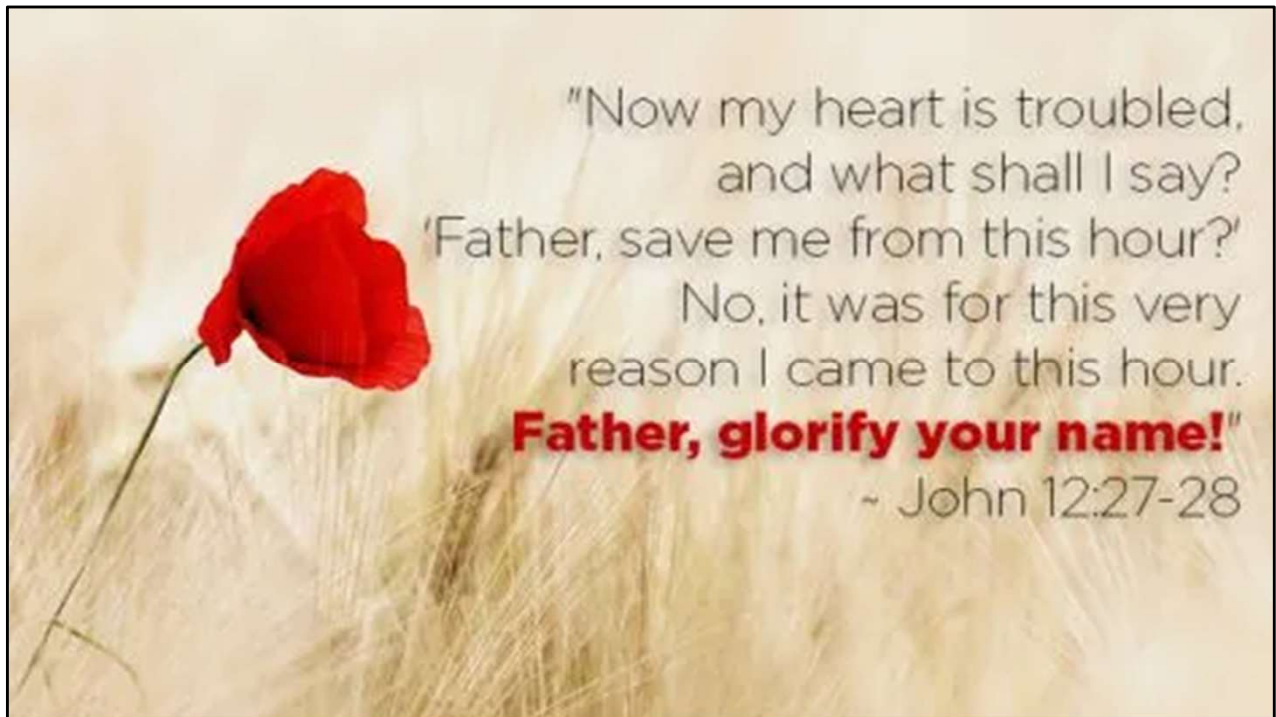






**I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds.**

- John 12:24 -



"Now my heart is troubled,  
and what shall I say?  
'Father, save me from this hour?'  
No, it was for this very  
reason I came to this hour.

**Father, glorify your name!"**

~ John 12:27-28



*Those who love their life  
in this world will lose it.*

**Those who care nothing for their life  
IN THIS WORLD WILL KEEP IT FOR ETERNITY”**

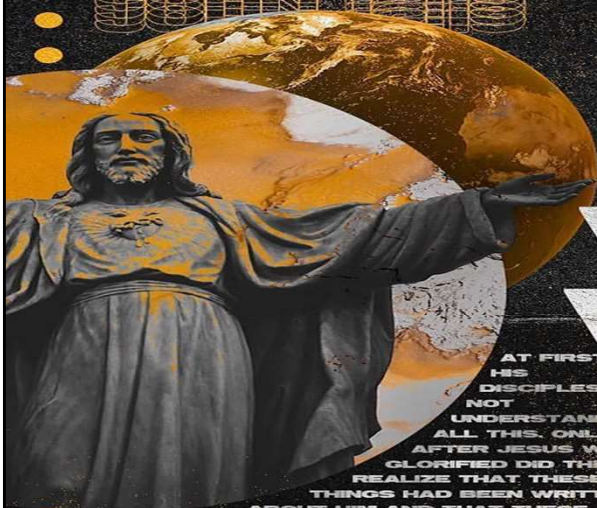
**John 12:25**







**JOHN 12:19**



**LOOK  
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● AT FIRST HIS DISCIPLES DID NOT UNDERSTAND ALL THIS. ONLY AFTER JESUS WAS GLORIFIED DID THEY REALIZE THAT THESE THINGS HAD BEEN WRITTEN ABOUT HIM AND THAT THESE THINGS HAD BEEN DONE TO HIM. NOW THE CROWD THAT WAS WITH HIM WHEN HE CALLED LAZARUS FROM THE TOMB AND RAISED HIM FROM THE DEAD CONTINUED TO SPREAD THE WORD. 18 MANY PEOPLE, BECAUSE THEY HAD HEARD THAT HE HAD PERFORMED THIS SIGN, WENT OUT TO MEET HIM. 19 SO THE PHARISEES SAID TO ONE ANOTHER, "SEE, THIS IS GETTING US NOWHERE ..."

So then, many other signs Jesus also performed in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these have been written *so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that by believing you may have life in His name.*

IN THE BEGINNING WAS THE WORD, AND THE WORD WAS WITH GOD, AND THE WORD WAS GOD. HE WAS WITH GOD IN THE BEGINNING. ALL THINGS WERE MADE BY HIM, AND WITHOUT HIM WAS NOT ANYTHING MADE. THAT WHICH WAS MADE IN HIM WAS LIFE, AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN. AND THE LIGHT SHINETH IN THE DARKNESS, AND THE DARKNESS RECEIVETH NOT THE LIGHT. THAT WHICH WAS MADE BY HIM WAS LIFE, AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN. AND THE LIGHT SHINETH IN THE DARKNESS, AND THE DARKNESS RECEIVETH NOT THE LIGHT.

AND THERE CAME JOHN THE BAPTIST, WHO TESTIFIED OF HIM, AND SAID, THIS IS THE ONE OF WHOM I SAID, HE THAT COMETH AFTER ME, WHO IS ABOVE ME, BECAUSE HE WAS BEFORE ME. I MYSELF DID NOT KNOW HIM, BUT HE THAT SENT ME TO BAPTIZE WITH WATER, TOLD ME, THE MAN ON WHOM YOU SEE THE SPIRIT COME DOWN FROM HEAVEN, AND HE BAPTIZETH WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT: I HAVE SEEN AND I TESTIFY THAT THIS IS GOD'S CHOSEN SON.

AND AGAIN WITH TWO OF HIS DISCIPLES, WHEN HE SAW JESUS PASSING BY, HE SAID, LOOK AT HIM, AND HOW HE GOETH, AND HEARD HIM SAY TO THEM, FOLLOW ME, AND I WILL MAKE YOU AS I AM, AND YE SHALL RECEIVE ABUNDANTLY LIFE. AND HE TESTIFIED OF HIM TO ALL WHOM HE MET, AND SAID, THIS IS THE ONE OF WHOM I SAID, HE THAT COMETH AFTER ME, WHO IS ABOVE ME, BECAUSE HE WAS BEFORE ME.

AND AT BETHANY, ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE JORDAN, THERE CAME JOHN THE BAPTIST, WHO TESTIFIED OF HIM, AND SAID, THIS IS THE ONE OF WHOM I SAID, HE THAT COMETH AFTER ME, WHO IS ABOVE ME, BECAUSE HE WAS BEFORE ME. I MYSELF DID NOT KNOW HIM, BUT HE THAT SENT ME TO BAPTIZE WITH WATER, TOLD ME, THE MAN ON WHOM YOU SEE THE SPIRIT COME DOWN FROM HEAVEN, AND HE BAPTIZETH WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT: I HAVE SEEN AND I TESTIFY THAT THIS IS GOD'S CHOSEN SON.

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