

THE ARRIVAL

Matthew 21:1-11

SERMON SUMMARY:

When Jesus rode into Jerusalem, the people thought they were getting a certain kind of King. But Jesus shattered expectations of both those welcoming him into the city, and the religious leaders. We will consider who Jesus really is as shown by his triumphant arrival and subsequent cleansing of the temple.

SERMON OUTLINE:

Expectations may prevent us from seeing.

The Arrival

The King has come.

The King is here to save.

The King's actions confused and angered the religious.

Big Idea

Jesus announces a different kind of kingdom.

Application

Let us give Him praise.

Gladly surrender to the King today.

THINK ABOUT IT/TALK ABOUT IT:

- Share a time when your expectations prevented you from fully understanding or appreciating a situation or person.
- Discuss how Jesus' actions demonstrate his identity as the promised King.
- In what ways did Jesus' actions during his arrival challenge the expectations of both the people welcoming him and the religious leaders?
- What does it mean that "Jesus announces a different kind of kingdom"? How does this differ from the earthly kingdoms people might have expected?
- Why is it important for us to give Jesus praise, especially in light of His identity as the King who has come to save?
- What does it look like practically to gladly surrender to Jesus as our King in our lives?
- Share examples of how surrendering to Jesus has brought about transformation.