

Jesus For Everyone – Week 19

Luke 19:28-21:38

Misunderstood Messiah

Luke 19:28-44 (CSB) When he had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. As he approached Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples and said, “Go into the village ahead of you. As you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ say this: ‘The Lord needs it.’” So those who were sent left and found it just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, “Why are you untying the colt?” “The Lord needs it,” they said. Then they brought it to Jesus, and after throwing their clothes on the colt, they helped Jesus get on it.

As he was going along, they were spreading their clothes on the road. Now he came near the path down the Mount of Olives, and the whole crowd of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the miracles they had seen: “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven!” Some of the Pharisees from the crowd told him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” He answered, “I tell you, if they were to keep silent, the stones would cry out.”

As he approached and saw the city, he wept for it, saying, “If you knew this day what would bring peace — but now it is hidden from your eyes. For the days will come on you when your enemies will build a barricade around you, surround you, and hem you in on every side. They will crush you and your children among you to the ground, and they will not leave one stone on another in your midst, because you did not recognize the time when God visited you.”

Ways We Misunderstand Jesus:

- We misunderstand who he is.
- We misunderstand his agenda.
- We misunderstand his perspective.
- We misunderstand what we need from him.
- We misunderstand his love.

Pastor’s Challenge:

1. Mon-Fri this week, read Luke 17-21, one chapter each day.
2. Identify things about Jesus’ identity, agenda, perspective, and love, as well as what we need from him.
3. Ask how you might be misunderstanding aspects of those things.