

Save Us Now!  
Palm Sunday  
April 5, 2020  
Westside Fellowship

**Matt 21:1–11** – Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, <sup>2</sup>saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to Me. <sup>3</sup>If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.”

<sup>4</sup>This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, <sup>5</sup>“Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’ ” <sup>6</sup>The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. <sup>7</sup>They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and He sat on them. <sup>8</sup>Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>And the crowds that went before Him and that followed Him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” <sup>10</sup>And when He entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?”

<sup>11</sup>And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

## I. Jesus Presents Himself To Israel as King

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Worship and obedience are indivisible.

If you desire to worship Jesus, you do so by obeying all Jesus has instructed you to do.

## II. Israel Seemingly Acknowledges Jesus as King

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**Psa 118:25–26** - Save us, we pray, O LORD! O LORD, we pray, give us success! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD! We bless You from the house of the LORD.

“O save us now”

Hosanna in the highest: Save us, O God, who lives in heaven

**Mark 11:9-10** - “Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!...”

**Mark 11:17** - And He was teaching them and saying to them, “Is it not written, ‘My house shall be called a house of prayer’ - for all the nations’? But you have made it a den of robbers.”

**Matt 21:23** - the chief priests and the elders of the people came up to Him as He was teaching, and said, By what authority are You doing these things, & who gave You this authority?

**Luke 19:39-40** – And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.” He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.”

**Luke 19:41-42** - And when He drew near and saw the city, He wept over it, saying, “Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes.

**Matt 21:10-11** - And when He entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

**Matt 21:12-13** - Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who sold and bought in the temple, and He overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. He said to them, “It is written, ‘My house shall be called a house of prayer,’ but you make it a den of robbers.”

**Mark 11:17** - “... ‘a house of prayer for all the nations’

God takes it very seriously when anyone causes another person to stumble!

1 Cor 8:9, 13; 10:31–33; 2 Cor 6:2–3

**Luke 19:41-44** – And when He drew near and saw the city, He wept over it, <sup>42</sup>saying, “Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. <sup>43</sup>For the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade around you and surround you and hem you in on every side <sup>44</sup>and tear you down to the ground, you and your children within you. And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know the time of your visitation.”

Jesus arrived in Jerusalem on the exact day Daniel predicted more than 500 years earlier

**Dan 9:25-26** ...after the sixty-two weeks, an anointed one shall be cut off and shall have nothing....

At the Triumphal Entry Jesus officially presented Himself to Israel as the rightful Son of David!

**Matt 21:10** - “Who is this? Is this really the One who saves?”

1) What is your greatest fear?

2) What will you give in return for your life?

**Matt 16:24–28** - Then Jesus told His disciples, “If anyone would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. <sup>25</sup>For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. <sup>26</sup>For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul?”

3) What will you give in return for your soul?

**Matt 10:26–33** - “So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. <sup>28</sup>And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear HIM who can destroy both soul and body in hell.”

<sup>29</sup>Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. <sup>30</sup>But even the hairs of your head are all numbered.

<sup>31</sup>Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. <sup>32</sup>So everyone who acknowledges Me before men, I also will acknowledge before My Father who is in heaven, <sup>33</sup>but whoever denies Me before men, I also will deny before My Father who is in heaven.

My greatest fear: \_\_\_\_\_

Fear of God is the fear that cancels out all other fears.

The only way to preserve your soul:

- 1) Receive Jesus Christ as your personal Savior
- 2) Replace fear of man, or death, or anything else with a healthy fear of God
- 3) Acknowledge Jesus before men
- 4) Live each day surrendered to Him