

“The Entry of the Son of Man” Luke 19:11-44

Please Stand and Open Your Bibles to Psalm 118

Today we come to the end of the “Travel Discourses” that started way back in Luke 9...

Luke 9:51

Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up, that He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem

The plan for Jesus to be rejected by His own and to die for the sins of the world was already in play. He has taken this time to use the rejection by these leaders to teach His followers many things that we have learned over the last few months. He has not hidden His plans as we saw three weeks ago...

Luke 18:31-34

Then He took the twelve aside and said to them, “Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of Man will be accomplished. For He will be delivered to the Gentiles and will be mocked and insulted and spit upon. They will scourge Him and kill Him. And the third day He will rise again.” But they understood none of

these things; this saying was hidden from them, and they did not know the things which were spoken.

That took us to the journey through Jericho that was the last stop before Jerusalem where He healed the Blind man and saved Zacchaeus. As he is leaving the town we left off with...

Luke 19:10

“...for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.”

This sums up His mission in one sentence. It is still the Mission of Jesus. And it will be until He comes again. This is the whole point of the next few weeks as Luke points out in the beginning of our study today.

Luke 19:11

Now as they heard these things, He spoke another parable, because He was near Jerusalem and because they thought the kingdom of God would appear immediately.

This sets up the context for the rest of Luke. Why do people react the way they do? Why is Jesus saying things the way He is saying them? Why were the Disciples so distraught after His death? This is why. They thought the kingdom was going to

come immediately. The one thing that Jesus never taught was that the church is the Kingdom. He never said that all the Kingdom promises are now spiritually fulfilled in the Church age. A Matter of Fact he taught the opposite. For you to be an Amillennialist you have to take the direct words of Jesus and stretch them to the point of foolishness. It takes away all the words of God in the Old Testament that speak of an age to come. An age that these early believers knew was coming. An age that Jesus never denied was coming. What they didn't understand would be revealed later on when John would have his vision on Patmos and that is when. And so, they were confused and to help them along Jesus share a parable with them that is actually very straight forward.

The Ten Minas

Luke 19:12-27

This is one of those stories that we can understand as we are on this side of the cross. These that heard it would not understand until they were filled with the Holy Spirit after Pentecost. The first few verses we know now what Jesus meant. He is the nobleman that will go into a far country to receive a kingdom and will return with it. The only way you could say that the Kingdom age is now is to say Jesus already returned. And who are the citizens? The religious leaders that

have rejected Him, the nation of Israel. The point of the whole story is they will have a job to do while waiting for the Kingdom. Before Pentecost they still were expecting the Kingdom.

Acts 1:6-8

Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, “Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” And He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

OK, someone needs to tell Jesus and His Disciples that they need to stop looking at the Old Testament Literally! All this talk of a coming kingdom, don't you know that Jesus is reigning on the kingdom of David in our hearts! See how foolish some people's theology is when put through a robust, literal, historical, and grammatical context? Jesus just told the truth. There is a kingdom coming and it will come when He brings it. So, what do we do in the meantime? We have work to do!

Matt 6:19-21

“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay

up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Jesus says we will receive rewards for the work we do and those rewards will be in where we get to be in the coming kingdom. We saw one guy get 10 cities because he multiplied the Mina 10 times. Another got 5 because he multiplied it 5 times. But notice the 1? He did nothing and Jesus is not happy. Did you know that every one of you will have to give an account to Him for what you did as a Christian?

1 Corinthians 3:11-15

For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.

Notice the one who suffered loss? That's the guy who hid his Mina. He did nothing at all for His Lord. This day is known as the Judgement Seat of Christ.

2 Corinthians 5:9-11

Therefore we make it our aim, whether present or absent, to be well pleasing to Him. For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad. Knowing, therefore, the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; but we are well known to God, and I also trust are well known in your consciences.

Can you imagine standing before the very One who died for your sins. Who took the punishment that you deserve for all of your sins. And then after that poured out His grace and forgiveness on you and filled your heart with His Holy Spirit. And then you in turn did nothing. You chased after the things of the world. You neglected the words of life God has provided for us. You never bothered to tell anyone about the gift God has given you. And then after the rapture as you stand before the Bema seat all that's left is a pile of ashes that was your life. You look down at what could have been and look up into the eyes of the one who bought you. What can you say? Do you really think you would be able to voice "Hey, at least I'm saved!". No. You

have suffered loss and the amount of regret and sorrow that will fill your heart is unthinkable. But if you are still breathing it is not too late. You have heard the call now seek the Lord, pray and do His bidding. This is not legalism at all but to think at what your response to Him should be when you think about what He has done for us. We don't serve because we have to but because we get to. Big difference. Now we come to what happens at the same time He is saying all this...

The Entry of the Son of Man

Luke 19:28-40

Now I know we are two weeks away from Palm Sunday so it may seem a little out of place but it is where we are in our verse by verse study. This is a highly prophesied story in the Old Testament that was the point of Jesus Himself to the Nation that He is their Messiah. We read in...

Zechariah 9:9

“Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, lowly and riding on a donkey, a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

They attributed this to His delivering the nation. Which we just read was what they thought would happen immediately. Now we read at the beginning the psalm that was Messianic and they were shouting as He rode in...

Psalm 118:25-26

Save now (Hosanna), I pray, O Lord;

O Lord, I pray, send now prosperity.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

We have blessed you from the house of the Lord.

This enthusiasm will be short lived because the fickleness of the crowd will show as by Friday many of these will be shouting “Crucify Him, Crucify Him!”. They were glad He came but when He did not become the Savior they wanted, they quickly turned their backs on Him. Today is no different. People want a Jesus in their own making. A Jesus that will just wink at their sin and solve all their problems is great but one that asks us to pick up our cross, no way! How does this make Jesus feel? Luke shares with us something the other gospels don't...

Jesus sees their future

Luke 19:41-44

Can you see the love that God has for His people? Yes, they have rejected Him but that does not mean He doesn't love them and have a plan for them. In His sorrow He prophesies over the city. This is confirmed in other places and in * history.

Daniel 9:26

And after the sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself; and the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it shall be with a flood, and till the end of the war desolations are determined.

But Jesus is more than a prophet, He is God the Son. He is the one who led Israel through the desert and brought them into the land. He is the one who still loves them and will one day restore them. In Matthew we read that He did this again later in the week...

Matthew 23:37-39

“O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing! See! Your house is left to you desolate; for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, ‘Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!’ ”

Can't you see the love that God has for Israel. This is why she is in the news 24/7. Her redemption is coming and it is coming soon. But until then we have work to do. God loves you as much as He loves the Jews.

John 1:11-13

He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.