



John 12:12-19

[12] The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. [13] So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" [14] And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

> [15] "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"

> > John 12:12–19

[16] His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. [17] The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. [18] The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. [19] So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

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Setting The Stage: • The cost of sin • I Am the resurrection and life • Plot to kill Jesus • Plot to kill Lazarus • Sacrificial worship

Misunderstood Worship

Trill Seekers

- Crowds gathered to witness Jesus perform miracles
 - News of the miracles and signs were well known
 - Biggest miracle and declaration
 - Raising Lazarus from the dead
 - "I Am the resurrection and life"

Misunderstood Worship

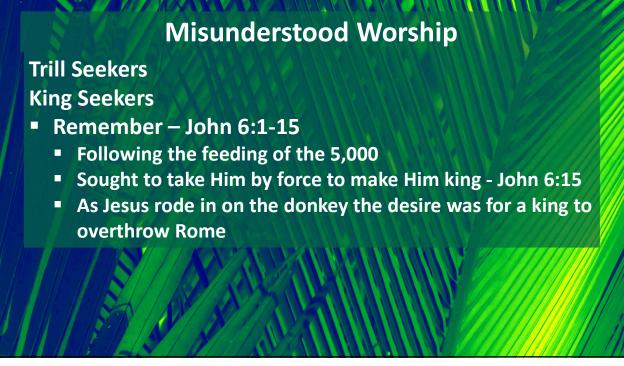
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King Seekers

- Remember John 6:1-15
 - Following the feeding of the 5,000
 - Sought to take Him by force to make Him king John 6:15

Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

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Misunderstood Worship

Trill Seekers

King Seekers

- Remember John 6:1-15
- Crowds were drawn to Jerusalem
 - Passover a beginning
 - John points out the same crowd that witnessed Lazarus being raised

Misunderstood Worship

Trill Seekers

King Seekers

- Remember John 6:1-15
- Crowds were drawn to Jerusalem
- Passover to freedom
 - Remembering Egypt's slavery and freedom
 - Desiring the glory of the nation return

Misunderstood Worship

Trill Seekers King Seekers

Ultimate Deserters – John 12:36b-43

- Jesus again tells of His purpose
- God glorifies Jesus through an audible voice
- Hardened hearts towards Jesus
- Fear of religious leaders

Are You Seeking Jesus For What Might Be In It For You... Wanting Jesus On Your Terms, Not Surrender?

Do You Understand The Message Of The Gospel, But Fear Is Stopping Total Faith?

Sincere Seekers

The Greeks

- God-fearing Gentiles
- Strong desire to worship God
- Desire to see Jesus

Sincere Seekers

The Greeks The Cost

- Jesus must die to bring salvation
- Love for this world miss salvation
- Hatred of this world gain salvation
- There is a cost to be true follower of Jesus
 - Serve means to follow
 - Serving will be in the presents of Jesus
 - Honored by God

Do You Understand The Cost Of Following Jesus?

Are You Willing Too Continually And Faithfully Follow Jesus?

Determined Destruction

Anticipation Of Messiah

- Religious fests, festivals, and sacrifices
 - Retelling of the covenant
 - Foretelling of salvation
- Prophecies
 - How Messiah was coming
 - Signs of Messiah
- Rejected Jesus as Messiah

Determined Destruction

Anticipation Of Messiah Reaction To Messiah

- One should die John 11:45-53
- Not only Jesus but Lazarus John 12:9-11
- Threatened power John 11:12
- Heart revealed John 12:19



