

# The Lord Has Need of It

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# Question

**Have you ever wondered what the Lord was up to?**

## LUKE 19:28-34 NKJV

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<sup>28</sup> When He had said this, He went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. <sup>29</sup> And it came to pass, when He drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mountain called Olivet, *that* He sent two of His disciples, <sup>30</sup> saying, “Go into the village opposite *you*, where as you enter you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Loose it and bring *it here*. <sup>31</sup> And if anyone asks you, ‘Why are you loosing *it?*’ thus you shall say to him, ‘Because the Lord has need of it.’ ”

## LUKE 19:28-34 NKJV

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<sup>32</sup> So those who were sent went their way and found *it* just as He had said to them. <sup>33</sup> But as they were loosing the colt, the owners of it said to them, “Why are you loosing the colt?”

<sup>34</sup> And they said, “The Lord has need of him.”

# LUKE 19:31 NKJV

And if anyone asks you,  
‘Why are you losing *it*?’  
thus you shall say to him,  
‘Because the Lord has need of it.’ ”

# Purpose

**God uses ordinary people and ordinary things for his glory.**

**God may ask us to give specific things to Him for His glory to be fulfilled.**

# Concept

If God has access to everything,  
why does He need our obedience and our gifts?

# **Answer**

**God chooses to include us  
in what He is accomplishing.**

# **Truth**

**God desires to give us the chance  
to be a part of His work.**

# **In what areas of life does this apply?**

- 1. Our goals and purposes**
- 2. Our talents and abilities**
- 3. Our possessions and materials**
- 4. Our calling and career**
- 5. Our personal relationships**

**God wants to free us from:**

**Apathy, self-centeredness,  
fear, will detachments,  
pride, status, our own plans**

# GALATIANS 2:20 NKJV

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

# Truths

- 1. We no longer belong to ourselves**
- 2. We were purchased with a price (1 Corinth. 6:19-20)**
- 3. We are called to serve others**
- 4. We offer what we have for his glory**

# Question

Is there anything  
I need to “untie” or loose  
to give to the Lord?

# Question

**What areas am I holding back  
from being used by God?**

# Question

How can I serve the Lord  
rather than just pursue my desires?

# ZECHARIAH 9:9 NKJV

“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.

# EPHESIANS 2:10 NKJV

For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

## 2 TIMOTHY 2:20-21 NKJV

<sup>20</sup> But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay, some for honor and some for dishonor. <sup>21</sup> Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work.

# JOHN 9:4 NKJV

must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; *the* night is coming when no one can work.

# Question

What is your donkey?

# **I need to hear from God:**

- 1. Cast aside anxious thoughts**
- 2. Renew your mind**
- 3. Listen. Don't just talk to God**
- 4. Be still before the Lord**
- 5. Don't delay! Obedience**

# **Ways to give God access:**

- 1. Book end your day with Scripture**
- 2. Cast your cares upon the Lord**
- 3. Practice gratitude as spiritual warfare**
- 4. Fast and pray**
- 5. Declare your identity in Christ**
- 6. Repent rather than justify**
- 7. Live with eternal and spiritual awareness**
- 8. Withdraw from things that desensitize your spirit**
- 9. Test every spirit**
- 10. Sit in God's presence without asking for anything**

# JOHN 9:4 NKJV

must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; *the* night is coming when no one can work.

**LUKE 19:34-40 NKJV**  
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<sup>34</sup> And they said, “The Lord has need of him.” <sup>35</sup> Then they brought him to Jesus. And they threw their own clothes on the colt, and they set Jesus on him. <sup>36</sup> And as He went, *many* spread their clothes on the road.

<sup>37</sup> Then, as He was now drawing near the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works they had seen, <sup>38</sup> saying:  
“ ‘Blessed *is* the King who comes in the name of the LORD!’  
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”

**LUKE 19:34-40 NKJV**  
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**39** And some of the Pharisees called to Him from the crowd, “Teacher, rebuke Your disciples.”

**40** But He answered and said to them, “I tell you that if these should keep silent, the stones would immediately cry out.”



## Donkey

The only animal with the  
symbol of the Cross



Jesus Rode on  
the Donkey to  
Jerusalem  
To die on  
the Cross  
for our sins