

SERVANT KING



A verse by verse study in
The Gospel of Mark



Enter the Servant King

Mark 11:1-11

Contrary to the common pomp and circumstance of earthly kings, Jesus rode to His coronation humbly on a donkey.

Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout in triumph, Daughter Jerusalem! Look, your King is coming to you; He is righteous and victorious, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Zechariah 9:9 HCSB

This passage is about both Jesus' entry and His reception. The King of Kings is still in the entering business – He desires to enter your life. The important question for us is, “Will we receive Him?”



**I. Jesus Deliberately Chooses
to Enter Your Life**

1. Jesus knew exactly what He was doing and where it fit in God's timetable.

- All of this was God's perfect timing.**

When the time came to completion, God sent His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

Galatians 4:4-5 HCSB

This Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men.

Acts 2:23 ESV

- The very timing of His entrance to Jerusalem was divinely calculated in Daniel 9:24-26.

Know and understand this: From the issuing of the decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince will be seven weeks and 62 weeks.

Daniel 9:25 HCSB

- Jesus died exactly at the time all of the other Passover lambs were being killed – but He was the one true sacrifice for our sins.

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, “Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!”

John 1:29 NIV

- **Jesus sent two disciples into Bethpage (somewhere He hadn't been) to get a donkey.**

2. From the beginning of our text, we see Jesus was carefully ordering every event.

- From eternity past, these events had been planned.**
- Jesus was not the victim of the wheel of history. He drove the wheel of human history.**

3. Jesus deliberately chooses to enter your life.

- **He calculates getting your attention.**
- **To be like Jesus, we must choose to enter people's lives.**



II. Jesus Brings Peace When He Enters

Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart; and you shall find rest for your souls.

Matthew 11:29 NASB

Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives, do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful.

John 14:27 NAS

1. Jesus chose to ride a donkey into the city.

- Why a donkey? Because Jesus was the Messiah.**

This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, “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.’”

Matthew 21:4-5 ESV

- **Jesus is also revealing His humble character. There's no army behind Him, no conquered kings in chains.**

2. Jesus came humbly and peacefully, unlike the Caesars, Alexanders, Napoleons and Hitlers.

3. When you let Jesus come in, He brings peace!



III. Jesus Must Be Allowed to Enter

1. As Jesus made His way down the road, a huge entourage joined Him.

**2. Throwing their coats down
symbolized their submission to
Him.**

- They were singing from the
Psalms regarding the coming
King.**

- **They saw Jesus as their deliverer. He was, but not in the way they wanted.**
- **They refused to see Him as the suffering savior that Isaiah 53 declared.**

3. When Jesus was just outside the city, Luke says He wept openly.

And when He approached, He saw the city and wept over it, saying, “If you had known in this day, even you, the things which make for peace! But now they have been hidden from your eyes. For the days shall come upon you

when your enemies will throw up a bank before you, and surround you, and hem you in on every side, and will level you to the ground and your children within you, and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not recognize the time of your visitation.”

Luke 19:41-44 NASB

- **That's the heart of the Servant King!**
- **Jesus weeps for those who reject Him. He loves us that much.**

He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.

John 1:10-12 ESV

Jesus deliberately chose to enter Jerusalem to fulfill God's plan for our salvation. Jesus chooses to enter your life.

**We can become an even more
dynamic Gospel-centered church if we
will choose to enter people's lives. Be
like Jesus!**

