

Jesus' Triumphal Entry—Part 2

Matthew 21:1-11

(Mark 11:11; Luke 19:29-44; John 12:12-18)

I. The P _____

- a. Jesus had refused the crowds making Him King (cf. John 6:15)
- b. **Bethphage** was a small town about 2 miles from Jerusalem on the eastern side of the Mount of Olives
- c. Jesus' orders regarding the donkey and colt are clear signs of His Divine Omniscience (cf. John 1:45-51; 4:18; Matt. 9:4)
- d. Kings of Israel had ridden on mules for their coronation before (cf. 1 Kings 1:32-40)
- e. **no one yet has ever sat** (cf. Luke 19:30)
- f. These all fulfilled God's sovereign plan and timing (cf. Zech. 9:9)

II. The R _____

- a. The D _____ (vs. 6-7)
 - i. They did not understand everything:
 1. Jesus would be a Suffering Servant (cf. Isa. 53:3-5ff)
 2. Jesus' kingdom would have to wait until His second coming to be fully implemented (cf. Rev. 19:11-16)
 - ii. But they knew enough to be FAITHFUL! (cf. Matt. 16:16; John 6:68; 14:6)
- b. The C _____ (vs. 8-11)
 - i. The spreading of **their coats in the road** was an ancient custom that symbolized their respect and submission, like for king Jehu (cf. 2 Kings 9:13)
 - ii. The **branches** (palms), were symbols of salvation and joy, often used to welcome returning Jewish heroes (cf. John 12:13; 1 Macc. 13:51)

- iii. **Hosanna** is a Hebrew word that literally means "save now" or "salvation now"
- iv. **Son of David** was a well-known Messianic title (cf. 2 Sam. 7:12-16)
- v. **shouting** Psalm 118 (cf. Mark 11:10)
- vi. But Jesus did not do what they expected, so they began to turn against Him (cf. Mark 11:11; Matt. 21:10-11)
- c. The P _____ (Luke 19:39; John 12:18)
 - i. They recognized that the crowd was worshiping Jesus, which to them was blasphemy, so they asked Him: "**Teacher, rebuke Your disciples.**"
 - ii. They also recognized that Jesus was a great threat to their power and authority
- d. The C _____ (Luke 19:40-44)
 - i. Jesus Accepted His People's Worship:
 1. This was Jesus' third Passover Festival, but He knew it was different; it was the Father's timing for His Coronation (cf. John 2:13; 6:4; 11:55-57)
 2. Nothing could stop it in heaven or on earth, so **if these become silent, the stones will cry out!**
 - ii. Jesus also Lamented His people's Rejection:
 1. **klaiō (κλαίω)** "to weep or wail, with emphasis upon the noise accompanying the weeping—to weep, to wail, to lament, weeping, crying."
 2. He knew what would come after their rejection and He would like all men to be saved (cf. Dan. 9:26; 2 Tim. 2:4; 2 Peter 3:9)