Palm Sunday - Follow Up

Key Passage: Matt 21:1-11, Luke 19:29-40

Pastor Viji highlighted the three voices in this passage and how they see Jesus:

- 1. Voice of the Righteous = Matthew and Luke both present Jesus as the promised king from the line of David. Specific OT prophecies and imagery like the messiah entering Jerusalem on a donkey (a mission of peace) are highlighted.
- 2. The Voice of The Religious = The Crowed shout Hosanna! They welcome him as king but their expectation is that He will do something for them in return by freeing them from Roman occupation. The palm branches they waved and laid down on the road had political significance. They were a symbol of a past Jewish revolt against Rome. The religious worship Jesus not because of who he is but because of what they think he can do for them if they do.
- 3. The Voice of The Rebellious = The Roman rulers ignore Jesus as irrelevant and the Jewish leaders outright reject him telling Jesus he should rebuke those who are praising him as the messiah king (Luke 19:39)

DISCUSS

1. How does the Bible differentiate

between "the Righteous", "the

Religious" and "the Rebellious"? Who is Jesus to you?

2. What are the ways we move

between the three groups (the

Righteous, the Religious, the

Rebellious) in the way we live and respond to Jesus during

the week?

3. How is the Spirit calling you to respond in light of this passage?