

JESUS ENTERS JERUSALEM AS KING

John 12:12-19

Key Verse: 12:15

1. Read verses 12-13. Where was Jesus going the next day? (What was his destination? [Mark 11:9-11]) What did this crowd do? What sparked them to do this? (9)
2. What did the crowd say? What does “Hosanna” mean? (Ps 118:25-26) What does it mean that they called him “King of Israel”? What does “He who comes in the name of the Lord” mean? How deep was the crowd’s understanding?
3. Look at verses 14-15. What did Jesus do? What was he teaching the crowd and his disciples about himself? (Zec 9:9,10) Why did he accept, indeed welcome, both Mary’s outpouring of love, and the praise and adulation of the crowd at this time?
4. Read verse 16. When did the disciples realize the meaning of these things? Why? What does it mean to us, practically, that Jesus is King? What kind of king comes riding on a donkey’s colt?
5. Read verses 17-19. How did the miraculous sign of the raising of Lazarus affect people? What kind of faith did the crowds have? What did the Pharisees say? What did they mean? In what respect were their words prophetic?