

SEE, YOUR KING IS COMING

John 12:1-19

Key Verses: 12:14-15

“Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written: ‘Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey’s colt.’”

1. Where had Jesus been, and what drew him back to Jerusalem (1; 11:54-55)? What did this particular Passover mean to Jesus (1:29)? What did Lazarus’ family do for Jesus in Bethany (2)? What did Mary’s extravagant action reveal about who Jesus was to her (3)?
2. How did Judas’ reaction reveal his true color (4-6)? In defending Mary, how did Jesus give significance to her act (7)? How did Jesus help Judas to see who Jesus is (8)? What further effect did Jesus’ raising Lazarus have on a large crowd of Jews and religious leaders (9-11)?
3. The next day, how did the great crowd welcome Jesus on his way to Jerusalem (12-13)? Why did they quote Psalm 118:25-26 at that moment? How did they understand who Jesus is and what was their expectation of him?
4. Read verses 14-15. What did Jesus do? How did this fulfill Scripture (Zec 9:9-10)? What does it teach about Jesus’ character and the nature of his kingdom? How does this contrast with the worldly concept of a king and his kingdom?
5. When did the disciples realize the meaning of these things (16)? How did the miraculous sign of the raising of Lazarus affect people (17-18)? What did the Pharisees say (19)? What does it mean to us practically that Jesus is King, and how should we respond to him?