JESUS' ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM

Mark 11:1-19 Key Verse: 11:9b

- * JESUS' TRIUMPHAL ENTRY (1-10)
- Why was Jesus going to Jerusalem? (10:45) When they were in the Jerusalem area, where did they evidently find lodging? (What is familiar about the Mount of Olives?--Lk 22:39-44)
- 2. As they approached Jerusalem, what errand did he give two of his disciples? What was potentially difficult and even dangerous about this command? What was Jesus preparing to do? (Zec 9:9)
- 3. How did the disciples respond to Jesus' command? What were they to say when questioned? What did they say? (3-6) Why is "the Lord needs it" sufficient reason? What can we learn from these disciples?
- 4. Where was the colt? Think about the colt's owner. How could he give his colt up so readily? What does this event teach us about the Lordship of Christ regarding all our possessions as well as ourselves?
- What did Jesus do with the colt? Describe his entry into Jerusalem. Why did he want to enter Jerusalem in this way? (1Ki 1:28-40) What was special about Jerusalem? (Isa 2:3; Ex 19:6a)
- 6. How did the people respond? What did their "Hosannas" mean? What is the meaning of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem? (9,10; Lk 1:32b,33; Mt 4:15,16) Why is it called the

"Triumphal Entry"?

* JESUS CLEARS THE TEMPLE (11-19)

- 7. After arriving in Jerusalem, what was the first thing Jesus did? What do you think he saw? What did he do that evening?
- 8. What happened the next morning on the way back to the city? (12-14; Compare Ro 3:12; Isa 5:2) How was the fig tree like the temple? How might this event be a warning to the disciples and the religious leaders?
- 9. What did Jesus do when he reached the temple? Why was Jesus so furious? Think about God's purpose for his city and his people, and how the city had become the stronghold of Satan. What do these events teach us about the Lordship of Christ?
- 10. Read verse 17. What did Jesus teach about the true meaning of the temple? Why did he say that the religious leaders had made God's house "a den of robbers"? What does God want his people to pray for? Why?