

Jesus our Savior King

John 12:12-19

Key Verse: 12:13, "So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!"

1. Jesus, the triumphant King
What miracle had Jesus just performed and why did it cause such a stir? (Jn 11:43-44, 12:1-1) Read verse 13. When the large crowd heard that Jesus was coming, what did they do and why? (18) What does "Hosanna" mean and what does their cry reveal about what they were longing for in a king?
2. Jesus, the humble King
Read verses 14-15. Why did Jesus choose to enter Jerusalem on a donkey rather than a war horse? (Zech 9:9, Isa 40:9) What does this reveal about the kind of king he is and the kingdom he came to bring? How does his humble entry speak personally to your own fears and shame? (Isa 53:3,4)
3. Jesus, our savior King
Read verses 16-19. How did the disciples, the crowd, and the Pharisees each respond to Jesus? What does it mean that Jesus was "glorified"? (Jn 2:22, Zech 9:11) What kings- whether success, security, or something more personal- compete for your allegiance? What would it mean to practically welcome Jesus as your Savior King this Palm Sunday?

References

- John 11:43,44- "When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, 'Lazarus, come out.' The man who had died came out, his hands and feet bound with linen strips, and his face wrapped with a cloth. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, and let him go.'"
- Zechariah 9:9- "Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey."
- Isaiah 40:9- "Go on up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news; lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news; lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, 'Behold your God!'"
- Isa 53:3,4- "He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we

esteemed him not. Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.”

- Jn 2:22- “After he was raised from the dead, his disciples recalled what he had said. Then they believed the scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken.”
- Zech 9:11- “As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.”