

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Message: Today is Palm Sunday, which marks Jesus' entry in Jerusalem at the end of his three-year ministry. The crowds hailed him as their King, only to cry out for his crucifixion a few days later.

Good Friday: April 10th at 6:00pm we will have an online service to reflect on the death of our Savior.

Easter Sunday: April 12th we will celebrate the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Online Prayer & Sharing: Wednesdays at 6:30 you can participate in the prayer meeting and connect with your Hillcrest family.

Giving: Be sure to continue honoring the Lord with your tithes and offerings. You can give online by going to our website.

If you have any needs: feel free to contact pastor Bruce, Aaron, or Keith.

Cancellations: Everything is cancelled due to the corona virus until further notice.

Welcome

to

Hillcrest Church!

Palm Sunday

***"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"
Luke 19:38***

April 5, 2020

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The Triumphal Rejection!

Luke 19:37-44

At the conclusion of Jesus' three year ministry he rode into Jerusalem accompanied by the sound of accolades and praise, as people welcomed their King! However, the fan fair was short lived! Several days later he was tortured and crucified as he offered himself for the sins of the world. The very people who hailed him as their King, were the ones who cried out, "Crucify Him" several days later. In today's message we unpack the drama of the Messiah's ride into Jerusalem.

#1. THE DISCIPLES ACCEPT JESUS AS THEIR MESSIAH, vv. 37-38

- A. The evidence of his miracles, v. 37
- B. The witness of Scripture, v. 38a, Ps 118:26
- C. The "King (Jesus)" comes in the name of the Lord, v. 38, Ps 118:26
- D. The Messiah brings peace – reconciliation with God, v. 38, John 14:6, Isa 9:6
- E. Jesus brings glory to God, v. 38, Lk 2:14

#2. THE CROWDS FLIRT WITH JESUS AS THEIR MESSIAH, v. 37

- A. The crowds praise Jesus, Mat 21:9 & 11
- B. The crowds were inconsistent about Jesus
- C. The crowds followed Jesus for selfish reasons, John 6:60-67
- D. The crowds demanded Jesus' death days later, Lk 23:21

#3. THE PHARISEES REJECT JESUS AS THE MESSIAH, vv. 39-40

- A. They were offended by the praises, v. 39
- B. They demanded Jesus silence them, v. 39
- C. Their way of life was threatened, v. 39
- D. The Pharisees saw Jesus as a Teacher, v. 39
- E. The stones have more spiritual insight than the Pharisees, v. 40
- F. It was time to reveal his Messiahship, v. 40
- G. No more "Messianic secret", v. 40, 9:19-21

#4. THE NATIONAL HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF, vv. 41-44

- A. Jesus wept (sobbed) over Jerusalem, v. 41, Lk 13:34-35
- B. Jerusalem missed their opportunity for peace, v. 42, Acts 13:27
- C. The meaning was hidden from them, v. 42
- D. Jesus prophesied the events of AD 70, vv. 43-44, 21:20
- E. Jerusalem missed the time of God's visitation, v. 44

#5. THE STATUS QUO IS THREATENED BY JESUS, vv. 45-48

- A. Jesus drove out the money-changers, v. 45
- B. They set up obstacles to worshipping God, v. 46
- C. The leaders wanted Jesus dead, v. 47
- D. The people were captivated by Jesus' words, v. 48