PALM SUNDAY

"A Different Kind of King" Luke 19:35-44

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 LORD JESUS IS STRATEGICALLY PLANNING HOW HE WILL HIMSELF AS KING, vv. 28-36

- A. The Lord is in complete control of his final destiny
- B. The Lord is fulfilling Scriptures, Zech 9:9

- C. The people are giving Jesus the red carpet treatment
- D. The Lord is making a statement about his kingship

#2. THE DISCIPLES APPEAR TO 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, 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

ANSWERS: Present, Accept, Convenience, Right Things, Convictions, Popular Opinion, Reject, Traditions, Catastrophic.

#3. THE CROWDS HAD A RELATIONSHIP OF	
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

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#4. THE PHARISEES 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. The Pharisees saw Jesus as only a Teacher, v. 39
- D. The stones have more spiritual insight than Pharisees, v. 40
- E. It was time to reveal his Messiahship, v. 40, 9:19-21

APPLICATION POINTS

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#5. THE NATIONAL CONSEQUENCES OF REJECTING CHRIST ARE . 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 history of Israel was about to repeat itself, vv. 42-43
- D. Jesus prophesied the events of AD 70, vv. 43-44, 21:20
- E. Jerusalem missed the time of God's visitation, v. 44

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- #1. Do miracles always produce faith to those who witness them?
- #2. Discuss the meaning of Psalm 118:26: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD. (v. 38)
- #3. Discuss the meaning of: Peace in heaven and glory in the highest. (v. 38)
- #4. Luke 2:14 says: "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests." Discuss how this passage ties into Luke 19:38
- #5. What does it mean to have a relationship of convenience with Jesus as the crowds did?
- #6. Why did the Pharisees take offense when Jesus' disciples praised him?
- #7. How did the Pharisees view Jesus?
- #8. What did Jesus mean by the stones crying out? (v. 40)
- #9. Describe the emotions Jesus was experiencing and why (vv. 41-44)
- #10. In what ways was history about to repeat itself for the Jewish nation?
- #11. How does this apply to America, or any other nation that rejects God?
- #12. What is your takeaway from this teaching?

Welcome to Hillcrest Church

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