

“Getting our Hearts Ready for the Lord’s Passion” 4/17/11
Luke 19:28-44

PALM SUNDAY?

The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" John 12:12-13

1 Maccabees 13:51

What was the arrival about? NOT Jesus’ HOUR (Jn. 6:15; 7:30; 8:20)
EXODUS 12:3-6 PASSOVER time. 2 Million Pilgrims

“Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up, that He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem” Luke 9:51

POINT 1- The PREPARATION for the King

A. Jesus’ hour had come. He arranged for His ARRIVAL

B. Jesus sent His disciples to fulfill PROPHECY

“Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.” Zechariah 9:9 **War- Stallion Peace- Colt**

THE RESPONSE BE THEN? And TODAY? Humble yourself?

POINT 2- The PRAISE for the King **LAZARUS RISEN**

A. Jesus was worthy of the praise, but knew He would be TESTED

- (1) The Priests and Elders tested His *authority* (Mark 11:27-33)
- (2) The Pharisees and Herodians tested His *loyalty* (Mark 12:13-17).
- (3) The Sadducees tested His *theology* (Mark 12:18-27).
- (4) The Scribes/Pharisees tested His *proficiency* (Mark 12:28-34).

“But after that no one dared question Him” (Mark 12:34b). **JESUS PASSED!**

“Redeemed with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot” (1 Pet 1:19).

“For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us” (1 Corinthians 5:7).

“While the Pharisees were together, Jesus asked them a question” (Matt. 22:41).

BIGGEST QUESTION OF ALL. WHO IS the Jesus? Matt 16:15!

POINT 3- The PEACE of the King

A. Jesus wept because they didn’t accept His MISSION

Going Deeper *God wants each of us to make our hearts ready for His Son’s message!*

Have you received the peace He offers or is judgment in your future?