

PPT Palm Sunday “King of Glory Enter”
Sunday, March 24, 2024
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Living Stones

1 Peter 2:4-6 (NKJV) “Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious, 5 you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.”

Messianic Prophecy

Zechariah 9:9 (NKJV) “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.”

Palm Sunday marks the last week of Jesus’ life on earth.

In the four gospels, Matthew, Mark, Luke and John there is 89 chapters.

4 chapters cover the first 30 years of Jesus’ life.

85 chapters cover the last 3 ½ years of Jesus’ life.

29 chapters cover the last week of Jesus’ life.

Scripture Reading - John 12:12-20 (NKJV)

12 The next day a great multitude that had come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, 13 took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, and cried out: “Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!” The King of Israel!”

14 Then Jesus, when He had found a young donkey, sat on it; as it is written:

15 “Fear not, daughter of Zion; Behold, your King is coming, Sitting on a donkey’s colt.”

16 His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written about Him and that they had done these things to Him.

17 Therefore the people, who were with Him when He called Lazarus out of his tomb and raised him from the dead, bore witness. 18 For this reason the people also met Him, because they heard that He had done this sign. 19 The Pharisees therefore said among themselves, “You see that you are accomplishing nothing. Look, the world has gone after Him!”

Feast of Passover

John 12:12 “The next day a great multitude that had come to the feast.”

It's on this very day that the Lamb of God rode into Jerusalem to present himself to the nation. He is the sacrificial Lamb of God. On our calendar it would have been April, 6th 32AD. This year, Nissan 10 would be April 18, 2024.

The Tenth of Nissan

Exodus 12:1-3 (NKJV) Now the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying, 2 “This month shall be your beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year to you. 3 Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying: ‘On the tenth of this month every man shall take for himself a lamb, according to the house of his father, a lamb for a household.

Exodus 12:5-6 (NKJV) Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats. 6 Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight.

Genesis 1:14 (NKJV) 14 Then God said, “Let there be lights in the firmament of the heavens to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years;

Genesis 1:16 (NKJV) 16 Then God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. He made the stars also.

Jesus was more appealing to the people than religion and the religious rulers.

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Jesus spoke forgiving, loving words, to the very lowest people in society. While he spoke harsh words to the religious people.

Matthew 23:13-15 (NKJV) But woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you shut up the kingdom of heaven against men; for you neither go in yourselves, nor do you allow those who are entering to go in. 14 Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you devour widows’ houses, and for a pretense make long prayers. Therefore, you will receive greater condemnation. 15 “Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you travel land and sea to win one proselyte, and when he is won, you make him twice as much a son of hell as yourselves.

#1 Religion emphasizes the outward. Jesus emphasizes the inward.

#2 Religion is often about what you can't do. Jesus is about what you can do.

#3 Religion puts up barriers Jesus pulls down barriers.

#4 Religion typically says you have to work your way to Jesus. Jesus says, I am the way to God.

Jesus was the Pharisees biggest nightmare.

The people gathered shouting, Hosanna, Hosanna translated “deliver us now save us now!”

19 The Pharisees therefore said among themselves, “You see that you are accomplishing nothing. Look, the world has gone after Him!”

At first His disciples did not understand.

John 12:16 His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things were written about Him and that they had done these things to Him.

John quotes scripture from the Old Testament twice.

Psalms 118:26 (NKJV) Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

Zechariah 9:9 (NKJV) “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.”

Revelation 19:11 (NKJV) Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.