

MATTHEW

February 19, 2023

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Mark 11:1-11

Luke 19:29-44

John 12:12-19

QUESTIONS for REFLECTION

1. What are the indications that Jesus prearranged the acquisition of the animals (vv. 2-3)?

2. What is the purpose of acquiring these animals (vv. 4-5)? Why a donkey (colt)?

Is there any symbolism in this prophecy (Zechariah 9:9)?

3. What is Jesus' relationship to prophecy (throughout His life & ministry)?

4. Is anything noteworthy about the disciples' & crowd's use of their coats (vv. 7-8).

5. Do a little study. What do palm branches signify (v. 9)?

6. Why is the crowd shouting Psalm 118:26 (v. 9)?

7. What does “Hosanna” mean (v. 9)? Why is its use at this time significant (c.f., Zechariah 9:9)?

8. How does Exodus 12:3-6 pertain to the occasion of The Triumphal Entry (c.f., 1 Corinthians 5:7; 1 Peter 1:18-19)?

9. Consider the attitude of the crowd on this day. What stands out about it?

What does this day mean?

What interferes with a “Palm Sunday” attitude every day of the week? What gives you the greatest trouble in sustaining this attitude?

PERSONAL RESPONSE

I will cultivate spiritual awareness this week by . . .

I will celebrate the King this week by . . .