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Sermon Listening Guide

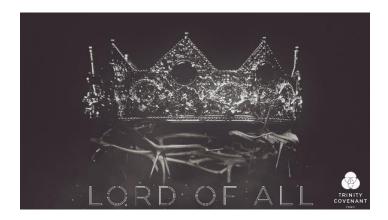


Today we celebrate Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem near the end of a public ministry spent almost entirely outside Israel's capital city. When Jesus entered the city with His entourage, people laid palm branches on the road before Him and greeted Him as the long-awaited Messiah, shouting, "Hosanna, blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!" Hosanna is a Hebrew expression meaning "save now." The palms are a symbol of PRAISE!

Their celebrating didn't last long. As they heard His teachings and saw His behavior, both religious leaders and people on the streets turned against Jesus. Within days, the adoring crowds were shouting, "Crucify him!"

Each Gospel (The books of the Bible - Matthew, Mark, Luke, & John) relates the next few days differently, but the common elements are:

- Jesus entered Jerusalem and began to teach the people about the Kingdom of God and the leaders about their hypocrisy and God's coming judgment;
- He threw money-changers out of the Temple and sparked a growing conspiracy against Him;
- He shared a "last supper" with His friends:
- He was betrayed by Judas Iscariot, one of His key disciples;
- And, after being arrested, was handed over to the Roman authorities for execution as an enemy of Caesar.



"Lord Over Circumstances"

Luke 19:28-40 New International Version Jesus Comes to Jerusalem as King

²⁸ After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. ²⁹ As he approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, ³⁰ "Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' say, 'The Lord needs it.'"

32 Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them. 33 As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, "Why are you untying the colt?"

34 They replied, "The Lord needs it."

³⁵ They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. ³⁶ As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.

- ³⁷ When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:
- 38 "Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!"[a]
- "Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"
- ³⁹ Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!"
- 40 "I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."

Main Truths:

1. Jesus is Lord over	circumstances
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4. Jesus is Lord over	circumstances

Notes:

Further Application:

	1.	Do the circumstances of your life strengthen or weaken your faith currently?
	2.	How does Jesus demonstrate His Lordship over circumstances in Luke 19?
	3.	How has Jesus shown you His Lordship over your circumstances?
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