

Welcome to THE View

Here Pastor Mark and other teachers will offer more information that can help you process through the message for the day.

1. Video Link: <https://231worship.com/videos/flannelgraph-easter-palm-sunday>

2. Biblical Prophecies Mentioned In Today's Service.

a. Ezekiel 43:2-9

- Ezekiel 43:2-9 prophesies the return of God's glory to the Temple from the east, interpreted as a vision of Jesus Christ bringing divine presence, light, and judgment. This passage foretells the "Son of Man" establishing His throne forever among people to cleanse them from sin, ultimately fulfilled in the incarnation and future return of Jesus.
- **The Glory Returns (v. 2-5):** Ezekiel sees the glory of God returning from the east with a sound like roaring water, illuminating the earth. This mirrors Jesus entering the temple, and the description of His voice and appearance in Revelation 1:15 and Revelation 14:2.
- **Jesus as the Temple and Throne (v. 7-9):** God declares this place as His throne and where He will dwell among the sons of Israel forever. This is viewed as a prophecy of Jesus (the true Temple) dwelling among humanity, establishing a new covenant to end the "harlotry" (idolatry) of the people.
- **Cleansing and Holiness (v. 9):** God demands an end to defiling His name by treating His presence lightly. Jesus fulfills this through His ministry of holiness, atonement, and providing the Holy Spirit so that God can truly live in the midst of His people. The text depicts a final, everlasting indwelling of God's glory among His people through Christ, restoring the intimacy that was broken by sin.

b. Zechariah 14:1-19

- Zechariah 14:1-19 is a major prophetic passage detailing the Second Coming of Jesus Christ as King, focusing on His return to the Mount of Olives to end the final battle against Jerusalem. It describes cosmic shifts, the destruction of enemies, and the establishment of Jesus' global, righteous reign from a restored Jerusalem.
- **Key Prophetic Elements of Jesus' Return (Zechariah 14):**

- **The Second Coming of Christ:** Zechariah 14:4 states, "His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives," which is understood as the bodily return of Jesus to Earth.
- **A Physical Cataclysm:** The Mount of Olives splits in two, creating a massive valley, signifying a divine intervention in the landscape at the moment of Jesus' arrival.
- **The King over All Earth:** The passage declares that "the Lord will be king over the whole earth" in that day (v. 9), pointing to the Millennial Reign of Jesus.
- **Return with the Saints:** The Lord comes with "all the holy ones" (v. 5), which is widely interpreted to match the army of saints and angels returning with Jesus in Revelation 19:14.
- **Final Judgment on Nations:** Jesus will punish the nations that gathered to attack Jerusalem, with descriptions of severe plague (vv. 12-15) as he acts as judge.
- **Restoration of Jerusalem:** Jerusalem will be transformed, with living waters flowing out (v. 8) and elevated as the center of worship, signifying the ultimate victory and establishment of God's Kingdom.
- This prophecy combines scenes of intense tribulation—known as the "Day of the Lord"—with the final triumph of Jesus, establishing peace and righteousness on earth.

The Pause Questions

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Question #1.

When you picture a king, what do you expect — and how is Jesus different?

Children: What surprised you about how Jesus came into Jerusalem?

Youth/Adults: Where might your expectations of power or leadership need to be reshaped by Jesus' humility?

Question #2.

The crowds shouted "Hosanna!" which means "Save us!"

What are you asking Jesus to save you from right now?
Is it mainly external problems — or do you recognize your deeper need for rescue from sin?

Question #3.

The city asked, “Who is this?” [Referring to Jesus]

If someone asked you at school or work this week that question this week, how would you answer?

Is Jesus just a helper in your life... or is He your King? How can you support your answer.

Question #4.

Many people praised Jesus on Sunday but did not stand with Him on Friday.

What does it look like to follow Jesus when it's exciting?

What does it look like to follow Him when it's costly?
Where might Jesus be asking you for more than just emotional excitement?

5. Remember the phrases shared by Pastor Mark—“King of My Problems” and “King of My Life.”

Evaluate your thoughts and decision of last week. Which phrase was “face up” most of the week? How did you come to that conclusion?

What would change this week if Jesus truly ruled your decisions, reactions, and priorities?