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## *The Paradox of Palm Sunday* The Majesty and Humility of Our King

*Matthew 21:1–17*

*Matthew 21:5* “Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your King is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’”

### **Christ’s mission would be fulfilled in Jerusalem**

*Genesis 22:14* “So Abraham called the name of that place, ‘The Lord will provide’; as it is said to this day, ‘On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided.’”

*2 Chronicles 3:1* “Then Solomon began to build the house of the Lord in Jerusalem on Mount Moriah, where the Lord had appeared to David his father, at the place that David had appointed, on the threshing floor of Ornan the Jebusite.”

*Isaiah 46:13b* “...I will put salvation in Zion, for Israel my glory.”

### **Christ’s goal was to go to Jerusalem**

📖 *Matthew 16:21*

📖 *Matthew 17:22-23*

📖 *Matthew 20:18*

### **Christ orchestrated His arrival in Jerusalem**

*Luke 9:51* “When the days drew near for Him to be taken up, He set His face to go to Jerusalem.”

📖 *Matthew 20:29-30*

📖 *Matthew 21:1-3*

### **Christ was rejected in Jerusalem**

📖 *Luke 19:41-44*

*John 1:11* “He came to His own, and His own people did not receive Him.”

## **I. Jesus, the King of kings, enters Jerusalem as a Peaceful King.**

*Matthew 21:5*

- ❖ The awaited Messiah entered Jerusalem as a representative of God who would extend grace to humanity.

📖 *Matthew 21:2-7*

📖 *Zechariah 9:9-10*

*Revelation 19:11* “Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The One sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.”

📖 *Isaiah 9:6-7*

- ❖ Jesus is the provision of peace not just for the world, but for humanity.

*Romans 5:1* “Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.”

## II. Jesus, the King of kings, enters Jerusalem as a Humble Prophet.

*Matthew 21:5*

- ❖ The awaited Messiah enters Jerusalem with a humble voice that would provide direction for humanity.

📖 *Matthew 21:9-11*

*Luke 13:33 “Nevertheless, I must go on My way today and tomorrow and the day following, for it cannot be that a prophet should perish away from Jerusalem.”*

*Luke 24:19 “And He said to them, ‘What things?’ And they said to Him, ‘Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, a Man who was a Prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people,’”*

*John 6:14-15 “When the people saw the sign that He had done, they said, ‘This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!’ Perceiving then that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by Himself.”*

- ❖ Jesus speaks on behalf of God, and His voice provides the path to righteousness for the people.

📖 *Isaiah 42:1-4*

## III. Jesus, the King of kings, enters Jerusalem as a Transforming Priest.

*Matthew 21:5*

- ❖ The awaited Messiah enters Jerusalem as a mediator of God who establishes a transformed relationship with humanity.

📖 *Matthew 21:12-16*

*Psalms 69:9 “For zeal for Your house has consumed me, and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.”*

*Hebrews 4:14-15 “Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.”*

*1 Corinthians 6:19-20 “Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.”*

- ❖ Jesus is interceding for us before God.

*1 Timothy 2:5 “For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus,”*

*Hebrews 7:25 “Consequently, He is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.”*

### Endnotes:

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