

1 **THE GLORY ROAD**

John 12:12-16, 23

2 **Google 'The Glory Road'**

⦿ First Result: 2006 Movie *Glory Road*

⦿ Second: Glory Road, 2005 autobiography of Don Haskins, coach of Texas Western basketball team.

⦿ Third: Rags to Riches Story of Texas Western Basketball Team

⦿ Not the real GLORY ROAD

⦿ The true story of THE GLORY ROAD – the life of Jesus

3 **John 12:12-16, 23**

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. 23 But Jesus answered them, saying, "The hour has come that the Son of Man should be glorified.

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4 **THE GLORY ROAD:**

⦿ 1. Preview of Glory

⦿ 2. Plan for Glory

⦿ 3. Prayer for Glory

⦿ 4. Prophecy of Glory

⦿ 5. Path to Glory

⦿ 6. The Last Leg of the Glory Road

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5 **I. PREVIEW OF GLORY**

⦿ Luke 9:28-32: "Now it came to pass, about eight days after these sayings, that He took Peter, John, and James and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹ As He prayed, the appearance of His face was altered, and His robe became white and glistening. ³⁰ And behold, two men talked with Him, who were Moses and Elijah, ³¹ who appeared in glory and spoke of His decease which He was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. ³² But Peter and those with him were heavy with sleep; and when they were fully awake, they saw His glory and the two men who stood with Him."

6 7 **II. PLAN FOR GLORY**

⦿ Luke 9:51, 53: "Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up, that He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem. ⁵² and sent messengers before His face. And as they went, they entered a village of the Samaritans, to prepare for Him. ⁵³ But they did not receive Him, because His face was set for the journey to Jerusalem."

8 9 **PLAN FOR GLORY – (2)**

- ⊙ Past Experience
 - > "My time has not yet come."
- ⊙ Present Necessity:
 - > Jesus timed His entry
 - > He planned
 - > He knew
 - > John 12:19: "You see that you are accomplishing nothing. Look, the world has gone after Him!"

10 **Prophecy of the Plan: Isaiah 50:7**

- ⊙ ⁷ *"For the Lord God will help Me; Therefore I will not be disgraced; Therefore I have set My face like a flint, And I know that I will not be ashamed.*
- ⊙ Charles Spurgeon sermon from Isaiah 50:7: *The Redeemer's Face Set like a Flint.*

11 **Spurgeon: How Jesus was tested**

- > By the temptations and offers of Satan
- > By the persuasions of His friends
- > By the unworthiness of those for whom He would die.
- > By the ease at which He could have backed out had He wished to.
- > By the taunts of those who mocked Him
- > By all the horror and agony of the cross
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12 **III. PRAYER FOR GLORY**

- ⊙ John 17:1, 5: "Father, the hour has come. Glorify Your Son that Your Son also may glorify You." ⁵ "And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was."
- ⊙ Because of His Past - "before the world was"
- ⊙ Because of His Person - "Glorify Your Son"
- ⊙ Because of His Perfect Work - John 17:4: "I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do."
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13 **IV. PROPHECY OF GLORY**

- ⊙ John 12:15 (Zechariah 9:9): "Fear not, daughter of Zion: Behold, your King is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt."
 - > His first claim: I AM THE MESSIAH!
 - > His second claim: I AM THE MESSIAH WHO COMES IN PEACE

14 **V. PATH TO GLORY**

- ⊙ From Heaven to Earth - Philippians 2:6-8
- ⊙ From Bethlehem to Bethany – Record of Four Gospels
- ⊙ From Bethany to Jerusalem

- > The Events at Bethany, John 12:1-11
- > At Bethany they gave a feast
- > Mary's expression of love.

15 **V. PATH TO GLORY (2)**

From Heaven to Earth - Philippians 2:6-8:

⊙ *"who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, 7 but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.*

⊙ John 1:14

16 **Path to Glory (3)**

⊙ From Bethlehem to Bethany – Record of Four Gospels

⊙ From Bethany to Jerusalem :

- > The events at Bethany – John 12:1-11
- > Home of Martha, Mary and Lazarus
- > A feast in His honor
- > Mary's expression of love
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17 **VI. The Last Leg of the Glory Road**

18 **The Crowds**

- ⊙ The reason for the crowds
- ⊙ The First crowd – From Bethany
- ⊙ The Second crowd – From Jerusalem

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21 **The Destination of the Glory Road**

- ⊙ TO DIE ON THE CROSS
- ⊙ John 12:16: "His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered."
- ⊙ The multitude certainly didn't understand.
- ⊙ The Jews had long misunderstood

22 **Two lines of prophecy**

- ⊙ One points to Christ's coming as a servant to die for us.
- ⊙ The other line points to Jesus as the coming King.
 - > Refers to the Second Coming
 - > This was the Messiah the Jews were expecting.
 - > When they realized Jesus wasn't their kind of Messiah, they turned against Him.

23 **CONCLUSION (1)**

- ⊙ Hosanna meant *Save Now* --Jews of Jesus' day - crying out to Jesus to be their earthly Messiah
- ⊙ For us today - cry out spontaneously to God for salvation and forgiveness.
- ⊙ Romans 10:13: "Whoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved."
- ⊙ Twentieth Century version of Hosanna – "Lord, save me, I'm a sinner."

24 **Conclusion (2)**

- ⊙ Jesus traveled that GLORY ROAD all the way to the cross
- ⊙ The wonderful reality: When we receive Jesus as our Savior, we travel the GLORY ROAD with Him
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25 **Conclusion (3)**

- ⊙ Hebrews 2:9-10: *"But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone. 10 For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings."*