

128. Jesus arrives at Bethany, near Jerusalem; His triumphant entry into Jerusalem as the Messiah

Joh 11:55-12:1,9-11			
Mat 21:1-11,14-17	Mar 11:1-11	Luk 19:29-44	Joh 12:12-19
<p>55 Now the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and many went up from the country to Jerusalem before the Passover to purify themselves.</p> <p>56 They were looking for Jesus and saying to one another as they stood in the temple, "What do you think? That he will not come to the feast at all?"</p> <p>57 Now the chief priests and the Pharisees had given orders that if anyone knew where he was, he should let them know, so that they might arrest him.</p> <p>1 Six days before the Passover, Jesus therefore came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead.</p> <p>9 When the large crowd of the Jews learned that Jesus was there, they came, not only on account of him but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead.</p> <p>10 So the chief priests made plans to put Lazarus to death as well,</p> <p>11 because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus.</p>	<p>1 Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples</p> <p>2 and said to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied,</p>	<p>29 When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples,</p> <p>30 saying, "Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which</p>	<p>12 The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem.</p> <p>13 So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out,</p>

<p>and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me.</p> <p>3 If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once."</p> <p>4 This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,</p> <p>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.'"</p> <p>6 The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them.</p> <p>7 They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them.</p> <p>8 Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.</p>	<p>as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it.</p> <p>3 If anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'"</p> <p>4 And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it.</p> <p>5 And some of those standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?"</p> <p>6 And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go.</p> <p>7 And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it.</p> <p>8 And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields.</p> <p>9 And those who went before and those who</p>	<p>no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here.</p> <p>31 If anyone asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this: 'The Lord has need of it.'"</p> <p>32 So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them.</p> <p>33 And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?"</p> <p>34 And they said, "The Lord has need of it."</p> <p>35 And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it.</p> <p>36 And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road.</p> <p>37 As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud</p>	<p>"Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!"</p> <p>14 And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,</p> <p>15 "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"</p> <p>16 His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him.</p> <p>17 The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness.</p> <p>18 The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign.</p> <p>19 So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining</p>
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<p>9 And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"</p> <p>10 And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?"</p> <p>11 And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."</p> <p>14 And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple, and he healed them.</p> <p>15 But when the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful things that he did, and the children crying out in the temple, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they were indignant,</p> <p>16 and they said to him, "Do you hear what these are saying?" And Jesus said to them, "Yes; have</p>	<p>followed were shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"</p> <p>10 Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!"</p> <p>11 And he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple. And when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.</p>	<p>voice for all the mighty works that they had seen,</p> <p>38 saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"</p> <p>39 And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples."</p> <p>40 He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."</p> <p>41 And when he drew near and saw the city, he wept over it,</p> <p>42 saying, "Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes.</p> <p>43 For the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade around you and surround you and hem you in on every side</p> <p>44 and tear you down to the ground, you and your</p>	<p>nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."</p>
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you never read, "Out of the mouth of infants and nursing babies you have prepared praise'?"

17 And leaving them, he went out of the city to Bethany and lodged there.

children within you. And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know the time of your visitation."

JOHN 12:12-19

UNEXPECTED MESSIAH



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Chapter 12 in the Gospel of John marks a turning point.

Prior to Chapter 12:

- John 2:4 And Jesus said to her [his mother], “Woman, what does this have to do with me? My hour has not yet come.”
- John 6:15 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.
- John 7:6 Jesus said to them [his brothers], “My time has not yet come...”
- John 7:30 So they were seeking to arrest him, but no one laid a hand on him, because his hour had not yet come.
- John 10:39 *Again they sought to arrest him, but he escaped from their hands.*

In Chapter 12:

- Jesus presents himself as the promised Messiah (v 12-19).
- Jesus declares his hour has come (v23).

View of Jerusalem looking down from Mount of Olives



“Spoils of Jerusalem” relief on the Arch of Titus in Rome



Two views of Messiah:

1. Expected (False) – v12-13
2. Promised and Arriving (True) – v14-15

Messiah Expected

- A nationalist Messiah that would deliver them from Roman oppression
 - Waiving of palm braches
 - Hosanna!
 - Similar to what occurred after feeding of the 5,000:
John 6:15 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
- *John 2:23-25 Now when he was in Jerusalem at the Passover Feast, many believed in his name when they saw the signs that he was doing. 24 But Jesus on his part did not entrust himself to them, because he knew all people 25 and needed no one to bear witness about man, for he himself knew what was in man.*
- *John 12:16 His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him.*

Messiah Promised and Arriving

Zechariah 9:9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Behold, your king is coming to you

- *Hebrews 10:12-13 But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, 13 waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet.*
- *Philippians 2:9-11 Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, 10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

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- *Jeremiah 23:5-6 “Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. 6 In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: ‘The LORD is our righteousness.’*
- *Numbers 14:18 ‘The LORD is slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, forgiving iniquity and transgression, but he will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children, to the third and the fourth generation.’*
- *Romans 3:26 It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.*

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- Rather than coming riding on a war horse, he came riding a donkey, an animal of peace.

John's view of Scripture (Old Testament):

- John 12:14 *And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,*

Jesus' view of Scripture (Old Testament):

- Matthew 22:29-32 *But Jesus answered them, "You are wrong, because you know neither the Scriptures nor the power of God. 30 For in the resurrection they neither marry nor are given in marriage, but are like angels in heaven. 31 And as for the resurrection of the dead, have you not read what was said to you by God: 32 'I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob'? He is not God of the dead, but of the living."*