

April 5, 2020

Palm Sunday- Hosanna in the Highest

Title: "When Jesus Came to Town"

Text: Matthew 21:1-11

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Big Idea: God is always doing more than we can think, and therefore a believer's best responses are *trust* and *submission*.

1) Palm Sunday helps me to *trust God's sovereignty* NOW. (Matthew 21:1-11 / Romans 8:19, 22-23 / Revelation 19:11-16 / 2 Corinthians 6:2)

2) Palm Sunday helps me live in *submission to the mission* NOW. (John 3:38 / Matthew 26:40 / Philippians 2:9-11 / Romans 13:9 / Matthew 28:28 & 21:9)

Submission to God is not based on whether or not I want to, but on whether or not I will.

Only the power of Christ can turn "intruders" of suffering into "guests" of testimony that point to God's glory and our transformation.

Practical Application:

- 1) Intentionally decide to joyfully get along without something this next week and ask God how to best use the extra time or resources that are gained because you were distracted with consuming or caring for that "thing".
- 2) Write down two ways you can exchange your mere good intentions of "want to" commitment for the sacrificial obedience of "I will" actions.
- 3) What are some of the "unwanted intruders" in your life today that you can envision God using as "guests of testimony" that can honor Him? What specific actions can you take to ensure that happens?

