

Jesus' Triumphal Entry

John 12:1, 12-19

Intro: As we approach **Easter Sunday**—*the celebration of the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ*—I thought it might be good to look at several of the major events that led up to that momentous day. The first event of outstanding significance would be **the Lord Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem**. Next Sunday we will examine the Lord Jesus' betrayal, trials, crucifixion, and burial. And then on the following week, **Easter Sunday**, we will celebrate the Lord Jesus' victorious resurrection from the dead.

I. The Significance of Jesus' Triumphal Entry

- A. Question: What do you know about the significance of Jesus' Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem?
- B. Answer: The triumphal entry is our Lord Jesus Christ's official presentation of Himself to the nation Israel as Her Messiah-King.



II. The Story of Jesus' Triumphal Entry John 12:1, 9-19

- A. The Annual Passover Feast 12:1
 - 1. The time—Sunday, “six days before Passover” (v. 1)
 - 2. The multitude—Passover pilgrims (v. 12)
- B. The Prophecies Fulfilled (vv. 12-16)
 - 1. Psalm 118:26—“Hosanna (*Lord save us now*)! Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the LORD, even the King of Israel (Jesus).”
 - 2. Zechariah 9:9—“Fear not, daughter of Zion; Behold your King (Jesus) is coming to you seated on a donkey's colt.”
 - 3. Daniel 9:24-26—Jesus offered Himself to the nation of Israel as Her Messiah-King on the tenth of Nisan, that being **April 6, 32 A.D.**
- C. The Mixed Reactions to Jesus' Triumphal Entry (vv. 16-19)
 - 1. The disciples' lack of understanding (v. 16)
 - 2. The multitudes' witness of Jesus' raising of Lazarus (vv. 17-18)
 - 3. The Pharisees' rejection leads to the worlds' reception (v. 19)