

Palm Sunday: The King Who Saves!

Matthew 21:1-11 (NIV)

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² saying to them, “Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away.”

⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:

⁵ “Say to Daughter Zion,
 ‘See, your king comes to you,
 gentle and riding on a donkey,
 and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.’”

⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted,

“Hosanna to the Son of David!”

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

“Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

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¹¹ The crowds answered, “This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee.”

John 12:12-15 (NIV)

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 see, your king is coming,
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Some Jews wanted to establish Jesus as the King _____ who would reign from Jerusalem, but Jesus came to earth to become the King of and reign in _____.

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Point 2:

Some Jews desired for Jesus to be the King who would save them from _____, but Jesus came to earth to be the King who would save people from _____.

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