

Palm Sunday

What the Lord Needs?

Luke 19:28-40

April 2, 2023

Sermon Sketch: When Jesus sent two disciples to procure a donkey for Him to make His triumphal entry into Jerusalem upon, He told them to say, “The Lord has need of it.” What Jesus needs today is – you!!!!

- 1) How has the consideration of the magnitude Jesus’ sacrifice at Calvary changed the way you have worshipped God this past week? (What Really Killed Jesus? 3/26/23)
- 2) Have you ever imagined yourself to be part of the crowd who watched Jesus pass by on His triumphal entry into Jerusalem? Have you ever imagined being the donkey that carried Jesus? (Ask Pastor Jon that question sometime...)
- 3) Thayer’s Theological Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament states that *Κύριος* *kýrios* has as its range of meaning “he to whom a person or thing belongs, about which he has the power of deciding; master, lord; used a. universally, of the possessor and disposer of a thing, the owner”. What does the title “Lord” mean to you? How does Jesus being your Lord inform how you live out your days?
- 4) There were four aspects of praise noted from verse 38: 1) Blessed is the King – God’s rule over our lives, 2) In the name of the LORD – praise according to His character, 3) Peace/shalom in heaven – experience the celestial life in the here and now, 4) Glory principle – it is all about Him. Which facet do you gravitate towards in your worship?
- 5) How do you synthesize the opposing realities that the Lord needs nothing, and the Lord needs you?
- 6) How have you recently chosen to answer the Lord’s call to service? How are you growing in your area of giftedness?
- 7) How does receiving the Palms help you to fully engage in the text under study? How does the physical act of waving your palm encourage your soul to be in that place of spiritual surrender?
- 8) If the old adage, “You are what you eat” is true, how does partaking of the Lord’s Supper: the Bread and the Cup help you to imitate the servant life of Jesus?
- 9) In the week ahead, how will you prepare your heart for Resurrection Sunday?