

Our King - Let's Go
Mark 11:1-11
10-31-21

Acts 2:23 – “He was delivered up by God's set plan and foreknowledge, and you, by the hands of the lawless, put Him to death by nailing Him to the cross.”

I. Our King is in control.

Mark 11:1 – “Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of His disciples”

Ezekiel 11:23 – “And the glory of the Lord went up from the midst of the city and stood on the mountain that is on the east side of the city.”

Luke 19:41 – “And when He drew near and saw the city, He wept over it...”

Acts 1:9 – “And when He had said these things, as they were looking on, He was lifted up, and a cloud took Him out of their sight.”

Zechariah 14:4-5 – “On that day His feet shall stand on the Mount of Olives... the Mount shall be split in two from east to west by a very wide valley...Then the Lord my God will come, and all the holy ones with Him.”

Revelation 17:14 – “They will make war on the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, for He is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those with Him are called and chosen and faithful.”

Revelation 1:5-6 – “...and from Jesus Christ...the ruler of kings on earth. To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood and made us a kingdom, priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.”

Mark 11:2-3 – “and said to them, ‘Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ say, ‘The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.’”

1 Samuel 6:7 – “Now then, take & prepare a new cart and two milk cows on which there has never come a yoke...”

II. Our King brings us all of God's Promises.

Mark 11:4-7 – “And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. And some of those standing there said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and He sat on it.”

Zechariah 9:9 – “Jerusalem! Look, your King is coming to you. He is righteous and victorious, yet He is humble...riding on a donkey’s colt.”

2 Corinthians 1:20 – “For all the promises of God find their Yes in Him. That is why it is through Him that we utter our Amen to God for His glory.”

7 Declarations from John 15:1-11

John 15:5 – “I am the vine; you are the branches.”

1. I am in Christ and He is in me.

John 15:6 – “Whoever abides in Me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing...”

2. I am able to bear much fruit.

John 15:7 – “If you abide in Me, and My words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.”

3. I am able to have a powerful prayer life.

John 15:8a – “By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit...”

4. I am able to glorify God in any situation.

John 15:8b – “...and so prove to be My disciples.”

5. I am able to show everyone that I belong to Him.

John 15:9 – “As the Father has loved Me, so have I loved you. Abide in My love...”

6. I am loved by the Father the way He loves the Son.

John 15:11 – “These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.”

7. I am able to have the fullness of God’s joy at all times.

III. Our King alone can save.

Mark 11:7-8 – “And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and He sat on it. And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields.”

Mark 11:9-10 – “And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, ‘Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!’”

Mark 11:11 – “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.”

Malachi 3:1-2 – “...the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to His temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, He is coming, says the Lord of hosts. But who can endure the day of His coming...”

A Prayer to Relinquish Control: *Father, I have tried to control my life and even tried to control other people's lives. I have tried to control their behavior to suit my purposes: forgive me. You are the King of my life, the One and only Sovereign, Lord of all. Thank You that I don't have to be in control because You are. Thank You for perfect leadership, for Your control over every situation, for every promise You have given me, and for loving and using me while You accomplish all Your purposes. In the name of Jesus, Amen.*

Going Deeper This Week

1. How were Mohammed's entrance into Medina and Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem symbolic of the movements they initiated? (Look up Mohammed's entrance)
2. What are some other fundamental differences between Christianity and Islam? (Look up the basics of Islam)
3. Some scholars contend that Jesus had arranged ahead of time for the donkey and colt to be available. Does this possibility affect the meaning of the text?
4. How has His control over your life blessed you lately?
5. What aspects of this fulfillment of prophecy could have been achieved by any ordinary man who set his mind to do so? What aspects could only have been miraculously fulfilled by the Son of God?
6. What leaders do you know who like to make a grand entrance? Do you know any leaders who arrive humbly? Which kind is the better leader and why? (See Matthew 11:29)
7. Why didn't Jesus use His power and growing popularity to make a grand entrance? How might His ultimate mission have failed if He had done so? (See Luke 4:17-19, 9:22-24)
8. What kind of Messiah did the people expect and want? What kind of savior do people want today---from what do they want relief? How does the Lord Jesus exceed those expectations? (See Ephesians 3:20)
9. Do you think you would have been among those who welcomed Jesus to Jerusalem with shouts of "Hosanna!"? Do you think you would have shouted "Crucify Him!" a few days later?
10. What is significant about Jesus appearing in the temple to look around? (See Malachi 3:1-2) What would the Lord Jesus see if He came to our church and looked around? What do you want Him to see from you and others? Pray for it. (See Matthew 7:7)