

## (1) Triumphal Entry (Mt. 21:1-9; Mk. 11:1-11; Lk. 19:28-44; Jn. 12:12-19)

1. Bethany was the village where Jesus could retreat each night of the Final Week (Mk. 11:11). Bethphage was the village where a colt was prepared to bear Him into Jerusalem (Mt. 21:1-5; Mk. 11:1-6; Lk. 19:28-34).
  - a. Jesus instructed two disciples to fetch the colt. They were to administrate the details, but the preparations were previously made.
  - b. Jesus anticipated that the colt's owners would have questions but would approve the colt's prophesied use.
  - c. The animal (Zech. 9:9) and the day (Dan. 9:26) were Biblically predicted.
    - 1) Wycliffe Bible Encyclopedia has a good article on the ass.
    - 2) Harold Hoehner has the best chronology of Daniel 9 and the 173,880 days in verse 25.
2. The coats & palm branches were expressions of acclamation (King Jehu, 2<sup>nd</sup> Kgs. 9:13; Simon Maccabeus 1<sup>st</sup> Macc. 13:51).
  - a. The honor as a king was undeniable.
  - b. The humility of a servant likewise.
3. Hosanna! was shouted by believers with capacity to appreciate Psalm 118.
  - a. Hosanna is an Aramaic exclamation from the Hebrew text of Ps. 118:25. It means primarily "do save" but as an interjection of joy it has a parallel in "glory to God" (in the highest, cf. Lk. 2:14; 19:38).
  - b. The chief corner stone (Ps. 118:22) is on hand to fulfill the Day which YHWH has made (Ps. 118:24).
  - c. Witnesses to the raising Lazarus added their own testimonies to the chorus of praise (Jn. 12:17-18) to the chagrin of the Pharisees (Jn. 12:19).
  - d. Pharisees tried to end the shouting (Lk. 19:39), but Jesus insisted that the accolades had to be voiced (Lk. 19:40).
4. Coming in the name of the Lord was celebrated by only a remnant at first advent (Mt. 21:9; Mk. 11:9; Lk. 19:38; Jn. 12:13), but will be universally required before second advent (Mt. 23:39 cf. Lk. 13:35 [PM20]).
5. The two advents were still not understood by the ones praising Jesus (1<sup>st</sup> Pet. 1:11), and He basked in their joy with His own private grief (Lk. 19:41-44).
6. Bystanders wanted to know who He was (Mt. 21:10), and the prophetic identification (Mt. 21:11) while accurate was incomplete.