

**"His Triumphal Entry"  
Mark 11:1-11**

**The Triumphal Entry Of Jesus Accomplishes 2 Great Purposes:**

- 1. The Triumphal Entry Publicly Announces Jesus As Messiah, Fulfilling Scripture:**
- 2. The Triumphal Entry Forces The Religious To Have Jesus Arrested And Slaughtered As God's Passover Lamb:**

**Mark's Gospel Uses 37% Of His Gospel To Tell Of This Last Week Of Jesus' Ministry On Earth.**

**This passage is recorded in all four Gospels: Matthew 21:1-11; Mark 11:1-11; Luke 19:29-40; John 12:12-19**

**The Thought of Our Passage:** "In The Triumphal Entry, Jesus Is Proclaimed As The Messiah, Forcing The Religious To Crucify Him On Passover"

- 1. Verses 1-6 God's In Control**
- 2. Verses 7-10 Jesus The Messiah**
- 3. Verse 11 The Silent Observer**

**1. Verses 1-6 God's In Control**

**Mark 11:1 As they approached Jerusalem,** means "*city of peace*" or "*foundation of peace*"

**Mark 10:46-52** Jesus has just passed through Jericho where He had healed two blind men. Bartimaeus cried out for God's mercy.

**Jericho** – which was about 15 miles North East from Jerusalem.

Jesus is traveling up the eastern side of the Judean Mountains, Jerusalem is on a ridge 2,550 feet above sea level. Jericho is 1,200 feet below sea level. The climb was substantial. This made it a 3,700-foot elevation gain.

**Bethphage** – (No longer exists) about 2 miles from Jerusalem on the Eastern side of the Mount of Olives. Its name meant "*House of Figs*"

**Bethany** - means "*house of dates*" Bethany is where the house of Mary, Martha and Lazarus was. Jesus had raised Lazarus from the dead.  
**(John 11-12)**

**near the Mount of Olives**, this is the hill just West of these cities. It is East of the Temple Mount. In between Olivet and the temple mount is the Kidron Valley. It is the distance of about Merrill to San Bernardino/Randal Ave.

**Jesus Sends His Disciples To Prepare For His Triumphal Entry:** Days before the **Passover – Exodus 12;** Was to commemorate that God redeemed His people from the bondage of slavery of Egypt.

**Jesus started towards Jerusalem Mark 9:14 now about 9 Months later, Jesus Arrives a Week before Passover To Be Examined Exodus 12:3-6 (4 days) As The Spotless Lamb: John 1:29**

**Verses 2-3 God Given Direction:**  
**said to them, "Go into the village opposite you,**  
(Possibly Bethany)

**Jesus Deity/Humanity: and immediately as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there,**

**Some Say, These Events Are Miraculous – Deity Colossians 1:17; Hebrews 1:3**

**Some Say These Plans Were Prepared Before Hand - Humanity**

**a colt tied there a colt** - is a year-old donkey. **donkey** – which is full grown, it was female.

**Colt** or donkey - were used originally by David & Solomon of Israel. Donkeys were considered the symbol of peace. **1 Kings 1:33**

**Genesis 49:10-11;** Written about 500 BC: **Zechariah 9:9**

**Daniel 9:24-27** The 69 weeks of Daniel. Daniel foretold that the Messiah would enter Jerusalem as their king, almost 500 years prior to this.

**on which no one yet has ever sat; untie it and bring it here.**  
A one-year old donkey a colt is "one vile animal."

**Jesus Modeled Deity: Jesus was King over creation,**  
He has calmed a storm, walked on water, the calming of a donkey

**Psalm 8:6-7**

**Mark 11:3 Why Did This Happen?  
Why Was This Recorded?**

**Matthew 21:4-5**

**Zechariah 9:9** Written 500 years before!

**God Wants To Use You And I!**

**Verses 4-6 Obedience To What God Commanded:**

**Mark 11:4 The next step after God directs us is obedience.**

**Luke 19:32**

**Mark 11:5-6** No matter what things Jesus directs in His Word, we will discover through obedience to Him that it always yields fruitfulness.

## **2. Verses 7-10 Jesus The Messiah**

**Mark 11:7 They brought the colt to Jesus**

This is a further miracle because this wild animal would be a terror under the weight of the Messiah.

**The calmness of this ride would amaze the disciples.**

**and put their coats on it; and He sat on it.** These coats became the King's saddle. What a humble scene is before us.

**Mark 11:8 And many spread their coats in the road, *ancient gesture, a custom that showed submission. "You can walk on me, you can step on me, I'm below your feet."***

**and others spread leafy branches which they had cut from the fields. John 12:13 took the branches of the palm trees,**

**Mark 11:9; Luke 19:37**

**were shouting: "Hosanna! - means "Save Now!" "Save we Pray!"**

It is a Petition to save now! it could be translated "God Save The King!"

**BLESSED IS HE WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD;** Literally "The one who comes representing Yahweh" **Psalm 118** is called "A Psalm of Ascent" **Psalm 118:25-26**

**Mark 11:10 Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David; Hosanna in the highest!" "Save us now, the kingdom has come!" (Luke 1:32)** Heir of David's throne.

**"The Triumphal Entry" Or "Palm Sunday" This is "Mob Hysteria"**

**Everything shouted is true, scriptural, borrowed out of the Old Testament, accurate. This is God's King, but this is not God's time. Jesus came to overcome sin, grant forgiveness!**

**Have you found that it is easier to shout than it is to obey?**

**Matthew 21:15; Luke 19:39-40**

**Pharisees are offended at this display of honor!**

**(Golden Gate) Ezekiel 44:1-3 520 AD** sealed up

**Luke 19:41** And when He approached, He saw the city and wept over it,

### **3. Verse 11 The Silent Observer**

**Mark 11:11**

**Matthew 21:10-11; John 12:16**

**and came into the temple; Malachi 3:1**

**and after looking around at everything, "look of examination"**

**He left for Bethany with the twelve, since it was already late.**

What a sad statement, that the king departed.

### **Application:**

- 1.** The Triumphal Entry Publicly Announces Jesus As Messiah, Fulfilling The Old Testament Scripture:
- 2.** Jesus Christ Is The Passover Lamb Of God Who Came To Take Away The Sins Of The World:
- 3.** The Triumphal Entry Is Important Because It Destroys The Notion That Jesus Was A Great Man, Or Teacher. Jesus Accepted (Worship/Praise) And The Title Of Being Messiah And King:
- 4.** The Crowd At The Triumphal Entry Misunderstood The Mission Of Jesus. They Thought Jesus Came To Defeat Rome, But Jesus Came To Defeat The Greatest Enemy Of All Which Is Sin: