



Christ Entering Jerusalem: The Fulfillment of Prophecy *Matthew 21:1-13*

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Matthew 21:1-13 *When they drew near to Jerusalem, and came to Bethpage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples,*

2 saying to them, "Go into the village that is opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them, and bring them to me.

3 If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and immediately he will send them."

4 All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken through the prophet, saying,

5 "Tell the daughter of Zion, Behold, your King comes to you, Humble, and riding on a donkey, On a colt, the foal of a donkey."

6 The disciples went, and did just as Jesus commanded them,

7 and brought the donkey and the colt, and laid their clothes on them; and he sat on them.

8 A very great multitude spread their clothes on the road. Others cut branches from the trees, and spread them on the road.

9 The multitudes who went before him, and who followed kept shouting, "Hosanna to the son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

10 When he had come into Jerusalem, all the city was stirred up, saying,

11 "Who is this?" The multitudes said "this is the prophet, Jesus, from Nazarene of Galilee

12 Jesus entered into the temple of God, and drove out all of those who sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the money changers' tables and the seats of those who sold the doves.

13 He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer, 'but you have made it a den of robbers.

Who

V9 Jesus - from Galilee - Son of David - Hosanna - Comes in the name of the Lord

What

V4 to fulfill that which was spoken by the prophet

When. This starts the week called **Holy Week** which includes the entrance, trial, the crucifixion, and the resurrection.

Where: In the city of Jerusalem

The Lord Leaves Bethany to Enter Jerusalem.

Jesus passed through Jericho, where he *bestowed sight on Bartimaeus* and *salvation on Zacchaeus*, came up the mountain pass from Jericho to Jerusalem, *stopping over the Sabbath in the congenial home of Martha, Mary and Lazarus, in Bethany*, and so on Sunday morning made his entry into Jerusalem. As they drew nigh to Jerusalem, they ascended the Mount of Olives. Mount of Olives is hill just east of Jerusalem, so called from the olive trees upon it. It was about a mile from the city. It was their open ground--for pleasure, for worship; the "Park" of Jerusalem; the thoroughfare of any going or coming in the direction of the great Jordan valley.

There were three paths over the Mount of Olives: (1) on the north, in the hollow between the two crests of the hill; (2) over the summit; and (3) on the south, between the Mount of Olives and the Hill of Offense--still the most frequented and the best. Along this Jesus advanced.

To Bethpage and Bethany were suburban villages near to one another, and lying on the direct line of road that led to Jerusalem from the east

How

V1,2,3, When they drew nigh unto Jerusalem. The Charge to the Two Disciples. To go to the village that is opposite you and you will find a donkey with a fold tied there, untie them and bring them to me. If you are asked what you are doing tell them that the Lord had need of them.

Jesus entered the city without touching the ground on a fold of a donkey which had never had a saddle or anything on his back. The streets were covered with clothing, palm branches and the animal's feet did not touch the ground as he entered.

The purity of his entrance was that of a person with the highest of power like a general or king

Why

After 33 years of teaching Jesus had to **fulfill his mission**

His mission was **predetermined** in the beginning

Romans 3:23 For all have sinned and come short of the Glory of God

Romans 5:8 But God commended his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 10:13 For whoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.