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"THE COMING OF SALVATION"

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INTRODUCTION

THE COMING OF SALVATION

"What an Awesome morning This was in History.  
- 1,971 years ago, on this date in History,  
God visited the earth by coming to Earth, to Jersualam, in Isarel.  
And Presented Himself to the World."

He, Coming as Promised

With Exacting **Detail** / With Perfect **Timing** / And With a **Mission**

Though He Be God Vieled in Human Flesh, What He was About to Do Would  
Change the Course of Human History and Fulfill what had been written to  
Mankind - - God was Coming to Save His People!

*Gal 4:4-5*

*But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.*

## **BUT THERE WAS NO SHOCK AND AWE!**

There was no Angelic Fanfare!  
No Satellite Broadcast!

**“WHAT THE BIBLE HAD SAID WOULD HAPPEN,  
WAS HAPPENING BEFORE THEIR EYES.”**

### ***Our Study This Morning...***

*Matt 21:1-14*

*Now when they drew near Jerusalem, and came to Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, 2 saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Loose them and bring them to Me. 3 "And if anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord has need of them,' and immediately he will send them." 4 All this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying: 5 "Tell the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your King is coming to you, lowly, and sitting on a donkey, a colt, the foal of a donkey.'" 6 So the disciples went and did as Jesus commanded them. 7 They brought the donkey and the colt, laid their clothes on them, and set Him on them. 8 And a very great multitude spread their clothes on the road; others cut down branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: "Hosanna to the Son of David! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!' Hosanna in the highest!" 10 And when He had come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, "Who is this?" 11 So the multitudes said, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth of Galilee." 12 Then Jesus went into the temple of God and drove out all those who bought and sold in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves. 13 And He said to them, "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer,' but you have made it a 'den of thieves.'" 14 Then the blind and the lame came to Him in the temple, and He healed them.*

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# THE COMING OF SALVATION

## 1.) *It was a day to be expected*

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## 1a.) *it was written about*

**“The announcement was there”**

To some it was an announcement  
To others it was a warning

*Matt 21:4-5*

***All this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying: 5 "Tell the daughter of Zion, 'Behold, your King is coming to you, lowly, and sitting on a donkey, a colt, the foal of a donkey.'"***

## Matthew was Speaking About Zechariah

*Zech 9:9*

***"Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming (He is on his way) to you; he is just and having salvation, lowly and riding on a donkey, a colt, the foal of a donkey."***

*It was a day to be expected*

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**1b.) it was thought of**

**“It was a Day - in their minds”**

To some, it would be a joyous thought

To others, a fearful thing, scary

**John 3:17**

*“For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.*

**John 3:19**

*“And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.*

# **SALVATION WAS ON IT’S WAY IN THE PERSON OF JESUS CHRIST**

**“SALVATION” WAS TO EQUAL JOY !**

**Ps 24:7-10**

*Lift up your heads, O you gates! And be lifted up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in. 8 Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle. 9 Lift up your heads, O you gates! Lift up, you everlasting doors! And the King of glory shall come in. 10 Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah*

*It was a day to be expected*

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### **1c.) it was anticipated**

## **“It was a Day of Destiny”**

To some, a thing to look forward to  
To others, an unavoidable worry

## **It was What Malachi was Speaking About**

*Mal 3:1*

*"Behold, I send My messenger, and he will prepare the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple, even the Messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight. Behold, He is coming..."*

## **The Bible was Speaking About Daniel**

*Dan 9:24-25*

*"490 years are determined for your people and for your holy city, (1) to finish the transgression, (2) to make an end of sins, (3) to make reconciliation for iniquity, (4) to bring in everlasting righteousness, (5) to seal up vision and (6) prophecy, and to (7) anoint the Most Holy. 25 "Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the command to restore and build Jerusalem (March 14<sup>th</sup>. 445 B.C.) until the coming of the Messiah the Prince, there shall be 483 years  
**(Till His Coming to Jersuaem !***

They were to Count 483 years from March 14<sup>th</sup>. 445 B.C.  
- It would bring them to Sunday April 6<sup>th</sup>. 32 A.D.

## **A Day Expected & Anticipated**

Let Me Ask You,  
Where Would You Have Been in That Crowded Back Then?

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#1

Well, Let You Ask You Now,  
Where Are You in The Crowded Today?

IT - WAS - A DAY TO BE EXPECTED

**LUKE 19:36-44**

AND AS HE WENT, MANY SPREAD THEIR CLOTHES ON THE ROAD. 37 THEN, AS HE WAS NOW DRAWING NEAR THE DESCENT OF THE MOUNT OF OLIVES, THE WHOLE MULTITUDE OF THE DISCIPLES BEGAN TO REJOICE AND PRAISE GOD WITH A LOUD VOICE FOR ALL THE MIGHTY WORKS THEY HAD SEEN, 38 SAYING: " 'BLESSED IS THE KING WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD!' PEACE IN HEAVEN AND GLORY IN THE HIGHEST!" 39 AND SOME OF THE PHARISEES CALLED TO HIM FROM THE CROWD, "TEACHER, REBUKE YOUR DISCIPLES." 40 BUT HE ANSWERED AND SAID TO THEM, "I TELL YOU THAT IF THESE SHOULD KEEP SILENT, THE STONES WOULD IMMEDIATELY CRY OUT." 41 NOW AS HE DREW NEAR, HE SAW THE CITY AND WEPT OVER IT, 42 SAYING, "IF YOU HAD KNOWN, EVEN YOU, ESPECIALLY IN THIS YOUR DAY, THE THINGS THAT MAKE FOR YOUR PEACE! BUT NOW THEY ARE HIDDEN FROM YOUR EYES. 43 "FOR DAYS WILL COME UPON YOU WHEN YOUR ENEMIES WILL BUILD AN EMBANKMENT AROUND YOU, SURROUND YOU AND CLOSE YOU IN ON EVERY SIDE, 44 "AND LEVEL YOU, AND YOUR CHILDREN WITHIN YOU, TO THE GROUND; AND THEY WILL NOT LEAVE IN YOU ONE STONE UPON ANOTHER, BECAUSE YOU DID NOT KNOW THE TIME OF YOUR VISITATION."

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IT - IS - A DAY TO BE EXPECTED

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# THE COMING OF SALVATION

**2.) *It was an event to be seen***

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*It was an event to be seen*

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**2a.) *Jesus factually lived***

The Historical Record of the Ancient World  
Of Those Who Loved Him, Those Who Hated Him  
Those Indifferent to Him

Acts 17:32 & 34

*And when the people heard of the hope of the resurrection of the dead, some mocked, while others said, "We will hear you again on this matter some other time." ...34 However, some believed*

**But Jesus Factually Lived**

# Jesus Factually Lived

2 Pet 1:16

*For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty.*

1 Jn 1:1

*That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life—Jesus Christ!*

*It was an event to be seen*

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### **2b.) Jesus literally ministered**

Matt 12:22-23

*Then one was brought to Him who was demon-possessed, blind and mute; and He healed him, so that the blind and mute man both spoke and saw. 23 And all the multitudes were amazed and said, "Could this be the Son of David?"*

Isa 61:1-2

*"The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon Me, because the LORD has anointed Me to preach good tidings to the poor; he has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; 2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, (...and the day of vengeance of our God)*

## **2b.) Jesus literally ministered (cont.)**

*Luke 4:16-21*

*So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. 17 And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written: 18 "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; he has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed; 19 To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord. 20 Then He closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him. 21 And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."*

## **Deal With This !**

*John 10:31-33*

*Then the Jews took up stones again to stone Him. Jesus answered them, "Many good works I have shown you from My Father. For which of those works do you stone Me?" 33 The Jews answered Him, saying, "For a good work we do not stone You, but for blasphemy, and because You, being a Man, make Yourself God."*

*It was an event to be seen*

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## **2c.) Jesus actually arrived**

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## 2c.) *Jesus actually arrived (cont.)*

*Mark 11:8-10*

*And many spread their clothes on the road, and others cut down leafy branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 Then those who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: "Hosanna! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!' 10 Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"*

IT - WAS - AN EVENT TO BE SEEN

BUT WAIT

IT - IS - AN EVENT TO BE SEEN

*Rev 22:7*

*"Behold, I am coming quickly!  
Blessed is he who keeps the words of the prophecy..."*

Even Now !

*Rev 3:20*

*"Look! I have been standing at the door, and I am constantly knocking. If anyone hears me calling him and opens the door, I will come in and fellowship with him and he with me.*

*Matt 11:28-30*

*"Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. 29 "Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."*

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# THE COMING OF SALVATION

## **3.) It was a moment in time**

Gal 4:4-5

*But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son...*

*It was a moment in time*

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## **3a.) A moment that was very public**

The Biblical Record – Check It Against History  
The Words of Jesus Christ – Check It Against Eyewitnesses  
The Message of Salvation – Check It Against Reason

## It Was All Done in Public View

John 18:19-23

*The high priest then asked Jesus about His disciples and His doctrine. 20 Jesus answered him, "I spoke openly to the world. I always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where the Jews always meet, and in secret I have said nothing. 21 "Why do you ask Me? Ask those who have heard Me what I said to them. Indeed they know what I said." 22 And when He had said these things, one of the officers who stood by struck Jesus with the palm of his hand, saying, "Do You answer the high priest like that?" 23 Jesus answered him, "If I have spoken evil, bear witness of the evil; but if well, why do you strike Me?"*

*It was a moment in time*

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### **3b.) A moment that was truly personal**

*Mark 10:46-52*

*Now they came to Jericho. As He went out of Jericho with His disciples and a great multitude, blind Bartimaeus, the son of Timaeus, sat by the road begging. 47 And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" 48 Then many warned him to be quiet; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" 49 So Jesus stood still and commanded him to be called. Then they called the blind man, saying to him, "Be of good cheer. Rise, He is calling you." 50 And throwing aside his garment, he rose and came to Jesus. 51 So Jesus answered and said to him, "What do you want Me to do for you?" The blind man said to Him, "Rabboni, that I may receive my sight." 52 Then Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus on the road.*

## **Public and Personal**

*Mark 2:2-5*

*Immediately many gathered together, so that there was no longer room to receive them, not even near the door. And He preached the word to them. 3 Then they came to Him, bringing a paralytic who was carried by four men. 4 And when they could not come near Him because of the crowd, they uncovered the roof where He was. So when they had broken through, they let down the bed on which the paralytic was lying. 5 When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven you."*

*It was a moment in time*

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**3c.) A moment that would become eternal**

*John 12:12-13*

*Those having took branches of palm trees went out to meet Jesus, and cried out saying **Hossanna - (Save Now or Save Us Now)***

*John 5:25-29*

*"Most assuredly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear will live. 26 "For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself, 27 "and has given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is the Son of Man. 28 "Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice 29 "and come forth-- those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation.*

*John 3:15*

*1"that whoever believes in Him should not perish (see hell) but have eternal life.*

*I Jn 5:13*

*These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God.*

**IT - WAS - A MOMENT IN TIME  
IT - IS - A MOMENT IN TIME**

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# THE COMING OF SALVATION

## 4.) *It was a reality*

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## 4a.) *Faith had become a reality*

# Faith had Become Real

The Christian's Faith is a Factual, Intelligent, Scientific Faith

By "Scientific Faith" I Mean  
Testable, Provable, Experimental,

# REPRODUCABLE

*Heb 11:1*

Now faith is the **substance** (the underlying strength, foundation, assurance) of things hoped for,  
the **evidence** (proof, observation, reality) of things not seen.

When Jesus Brought Salvation  
It was an undeniable reality

*It was a reality*

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**4b.) Redemption was now available**

That's the Meaning of Hossanna !

*Rom 3:23-24*

*for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus,*

**This Week in History  
Would lead to the Cross**

*Matt 20:17-19*

*Now as Jesus was going up to Jerusalem, he took the twelve disciples aside and said to them, 18 "We are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and the teachers of the law. They will condemn him to death 19 and will turn him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified. On the third day he will be raised to life!"*

*John 12:32-33*

*"And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself." 33 This He said, signifying by what death He would die.*

*It was a reality*

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**4c.) Salvation had face**

2 Cor 4:6

*For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God  
**in the face of Jesus Christ.***

1 Tim 3:16

*And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen by angels, preached among the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up in glory.*

**The Face of Salvation  
Was - Is Jesus Christ**

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There is No Other Face

**IT - WAS A REALITY THEN  
IT - IS A REALITY NOW**