

PALM SUNDAY SERVICE

THE FIRST COMING OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST
TO HIS CHOSEN PEOPLE AND HIS CHOSEN PLACE.

The Gospel of Luke 19:28-44

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

Out Of The Darkness

THE PASSION WEEK OF THE COMING OF THE MESSIAH.
FROM HIS TRIUMPHAL ENTRY AS KING OF KINGS TO HIS SACRIFICIAL DEATH
UPON THE CROSS TO HIS GLORIOUS RESURRECTION AS LORD OF LORDS.

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

Fulfilled Prophecy, Salvation, Fulfillment, The Authority of Scripture.

The Importance of This Day in History
Cannot be Overstated and Ultimately will be Wasted on No One.

!!! This is Palm Sunday !!!

And the definition of "Palm Sunday" gets its meaning from the Bible

Leviticus 23:39b-40

"When you have gathered in the fruit of the land, you shall keep the feast of the LORD for seven days; on the first day there shall be a sabbath-rest, and on the eighth day of the sabbath-rest. 40 And you shall take for yourselves on the first day the fruit of beautiful trees and the branches of palm trees, the limbs of leafy trees, and willows from the brook; *and you shall rejoice before the LORD your God for seven days.*

John 12:12-13

The next day a great multitude that had come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, 13 took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him and cried out: *"Hosanna! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!' The King of Israel!"*

In your Study Bibles, as it should be, the chapter title is marked as

"The Day of Christ's Triumphal Entry."

Eyewitnesses Accounts of That Day Abound.

It's an event recorded in the Annals of the Roman Empire. We know that Flavius Josephus the noted Roman (Jewish) historian recorded the events of this day.

We know the Roman Toll Officers recorded the names, and among pilgrim travelers entering the Tribal Regions of Benjamin (Jerusalem), those records place the number of visitors between 2.3 and 2.5 million people.

But of course – the most enduring and accurate accounting is found in the Bible and by all four Gospel writers.

In Quadrophonic Clarity – Palm Sunday is Documented In All 4 of The Gospels Accounts.

Matthew 21:1-10 // Mark 11:1-11 // Luke 19:28-44 // John 12:12-19

There is no doubt that the Gospel is being presented in a Surround-Sound-Theater of Truth - - *“Truth All Around You”*

Luke 19:28-44

When He had said this, He went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. 29 And it came to pass, when He drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mountain called Olivet, that He sent two of His disciples, 30 saying, *“Go into the village opposite you, where as you enter you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Loose it and bring it here. 31 And if anyone asks you, “Why are you loosing it?” thus you shall say to him, ‘Because the Lord has need of it.’ ”* 32

So those who were sent went their way and found it just as He had said to them. 33 But as they were loosing the colt, the owners of it said to them, *“Why are you loosing the colt?”* 34 And they said, *“The Lord has need of him.”* 35 Then they brought him to Jesus. And they threw their own clothes on the colt, and they set Jesus on him. 36 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 miracles 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.”

But with our Resurrection, Passion Week theme being

”Out of The Darkness”

we will need to define what it is that we’re talking about.

**Scientists tell us that
there are basically 3 categories of darkness.**

1.) What is Darkness?

1.) There is the darkness of Space.

2.) There is the darkness of Night.

3.) There is the darkness of Ambience.

**Psychologists tell us that
there are basically 3 categories of darkness.**

1.) What is Darkness?

4.) There is a darkness that comes from Ignorance.

5.) There is a darkness that comes from Confusion.

6.) There is a darkness that comes from Fear.

**The Bible tells us that
there are basically 3 categories of darkness.**

1.) What is Darkness?

7.) There is the darkness of the human Heart.

8.) There is the darkness of the human Soul.

9.) There is the darkness of the human Spirit.

**The entire summation of the life and ministry of Jesus Christ
on earth is declared by Jesus Himself...**

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.”

Jesus was here quoting from the Old Testament
Hebrew Prophet **Isaiah 60:1-2**

Matthew 4:13-17

And leaving Nazareth, He came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the regions of Zebulun and Naphtali, 14 that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: 15 *“The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, By the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles. 16 The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, And upon those who sat in the region and shadow of death Light has dawned.”* 17 From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

Acts 26:18

to open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me.’

Out Of The Darkness

1.) Comes the call of the Scriptures.

Out Of The Darkness

Comes The Call of The Scriptures

1a.) To open your eyes and to see the plan.

Matthew 21:2-6

And Jesus said unto 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, (Zachariah) 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.

What is He telling us? – that there is a plan in effect.

Matthew 4:16

The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, And upon those who sat in the region and shadow of death Light has dawned.”

Quoting.....

Isaiah 9:2

The people who walked in darkness Have seen a great light; Those who dwelt in the land of the shadow of death, upon them a light has shined.

Out Of The Darkness

Comes The Call of The Scriptures

1b.) To open your eyes and to hear the word.

John 8:12

Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, *"I am the light of the world. He who follows Me shall not walk in darkness, but have the light of life."*

Psalms 23:4

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

Out Of The Darkness

Comes The Call of The Scriptures

1c.) To open your eyes and to make the decision.

An awakening is possible for you and your family.

Psalms 139:12

Indeed, the darkness shall not hide from You, But the night shines as the day; The darkness and the light are both alike to You.

John 11:9-10

Jesus answered, *"Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. 10 But if one walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him."*

John 3:18-19

"He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God. 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.

Out Of The Darkness

2.) Comes the Collision of Kingdoms.

Out Of The Darkness
Comes The Collision of Kingdoms

2a.) The war against the kingdom of Satan

Is there Good in this world? // Is there Evil in this world?
The answer is of course Yes!

John 1:5
And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

Out Of The Darkness
Comes The Collision of Kingdoms

2b.) The war that brings us the Kingdom victory

WAR TALK WAR TALK

Look around at our Nation right now.
There is a War on Humans!

“There is a pattern being established in school shootings, Reports Lauren Chen. The Aberdeen, Denver, and Nashville shooters all identified as trans while the Colorado Springs shooter identified as non-binary. In addition, just last week, a trans gunman carried out the shooting of a sheriff’s deputy. The action was praised by Antifa and the far left. Chen says the perpetrator of the latest shooting in Nashville was “absolutely radicalized by left-wing ideology” and that we shouldn’t be surprised. Why? Chen believes it’s because “for the past several years the left has acted as if anyone or anything that opposes their far-left radical attempts to trans the world, including your children, qualify as a trans genocide.” She adds that it’s “no coincidence that this attack happened in Tennessee.” The state has recently passed several bills aimed at protecting children from the LGBT agenda, and the left is not happy about it.”

The Blaze News

<https://www.newsweek.com/mass-shootings-transgender-perpetrators-1790854>

I’ve talked to several medical professionals that all agreed that Hormone Manipulation, especially in the area of testosterone being added to the individual, will result in mood swings, irritability, irrational behavior, anger and could lead to violence, testosterone being the key ingredients.

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What is Going On In There?

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Out Of The Darkness Comes The Collision of Kingdoms

2c.) The war to end all wars is His Kingdom.

The power - the rule and the reign of Christ.
Was, is now and will be fulfilled completely in the Last Days.

Out Of The Darkness

3.) Comes the Clarity of the Truth.

Out Of The Darkness Comes The Clarity of The Truth

3a.) To come out of the dark and into the light

In the realm of physics and this physical universe – which came first, light or darkness? = Darkness did, as light didn't appear until verse 3.

1 Peter 2:9

But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

Luke 1:79

“To give light to those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, To guide our feet into the way of peace.”

John 9:5

“As long as I am in the world, I am the Light of the world.”

John 12:46

I have come as a light into the world, that whoever believes in Me should not abide in darkness.

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.

Out Of The Darkness

Comes The Clarity of The Truth

3b.) To come out of a world condemned by sin.

1 John 1:6

If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.

But to the Follower of Christ The Bible Says...

Colossians 1:13

He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love,

Out Of The Darkness

Comes The Clarity of The Truth

3c.) To come out of a life controlled by lies.

1 Timothy 4:1-2

Now the Holy Spirit expressly says that in the Latter Times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, 2 speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron,

2 Timothy 3:1-5

But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: 2 For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents unthankful, unholy, 3 unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, 4 traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, 5 having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!

1 John 2:3-6

Now by this we know that we know Him, if we keep His commandments. 4 He who says, "I know Him," and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him. 5 But whoever keeps His word, truly the love of God is perfected in him. By this we know that we are in Him. 6 He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk just as He walked.

On this Palm Sunday in history when Jesus presented Himself as king,

Jesus could not have come to *a more religious people.*

Jesus could not have come to *a more favorite people.*

Jesus Could not have come *to a more lost people.*

That is until today in the 21st-century on April 2, 2023

This world is full of lies and deception and the father of lies
has been lying to you all along...

The biblical warnings found in Scripture regarding the Last
Days or the End Times, generates for us - - a great and much welcomed
comfort as we see the events of the Last Days being aligned today.

Among these "Alignments" are such passages as;

2 Peter 3:1-4

Beloved, I now write to you this second epistle (in both of which I stir up your pure minds by way of reminder), 2 that you may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us, the apostles of the Lord and Savior, 3 knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, 4 and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming?"

Daniel Chapter 9 has its New Testament parallel

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

:13 But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope. :14 For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. :15 For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. :16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. :17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. :18 Therefore comfort one another with these words.

The Road Map had been sitting for
centuries upon centuries

Isaiah 42:16

I will bring the blind by a way they did not know; I will lead them in paths they have not known. I will make darkness light before them, and crooked places straight. These things I will do for them, and I not forsake them.

End of Study

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