



PALM SUN '26 | ANTICIPATED HUNGER | PASTOR RYAN ROBERTS

ZECHARIAH 9:9-10 APLIFIED

Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion!
Shout aloud, O Daughter of Jerusalem!
Behold, your King (Messianic King) is coming to you;
He is righteous and endowed with salvation,
[e]Humble *and* unassuming [in submission to the will of the Father]
and riding on a [f]donkey,
Upon a colt, the foal of a donkey.

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I will cut off the [war] chariot from Ephraim
And the [war] horse from Jerusalem,
And the bow of war will be cut off.
And He will speak [words of] peace to the nations,
And His dominion shall be from sea to sea [absolutely endless],
And from the River [Euphrates] to the ends of the earth.

**THIS PROPHECY WOULD BE FULFILLED AROUND 500 YEARS LATER
WHEN JESUS MAKES HIS TRIUMPHAL ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM, IN
AN EVENT THAT WE CALL PALM SUNDAY.**

PALM SUNDAY IS NOT A HOLIDAY... IT'S THE MARKING OF AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

MATT 21:1-5

JESUS AND HIS DISCIPLES ARE GOING INTO JERUSALEM FOR A PURPOSE

THIS WAS THE PASSOVER

DURING PASSOVER:

ON THE 10TH OF NISAN, THE JEWS WOULD SELECT PERFECT, BLIMISHFREE LAMBS THAT WOULD BE SLAUGHTERED ON THE 14TH DAY.

IN 70 AD, 256,500 LAMBS WERE KILLED FOR THE PASSOVER
(*Wars of the Jews*, Bk. VI, Ch. IX, Sec. 3)

MATT 20:17-19

AND JESUS ARRIVES IN TOWN THE DAY THAT THE SACRIFICIAL LAMBS WERE INSPECTED AND CHOSEN

MATT 21:2-7

JESUS IS READY TO PUBLICLY ANNOUNCE HIS COMING.

WHEN A KING RIDES A HORSE IT WAS A SIGN OF WAR, WHEN A KING RIDES A DONEY IT WAS A SIGN OF PEACE.

MATT 21:8-9

LUKE 19:41-44

JESUS KNEW THAT THE KIND OF PEACE HE WAS BRINGING, THE WORLD WOULD NOT RECEIVE

MATT 21:9-11

HOSANNA! means “I beg you to save NOW!” or “please deliver us NOW!”

THERE ARE DIFFERENT RESPONSES TO JESUS’ COMING....

ONE WE FOCUS ON IS THE GROUP YELLING “HOSANNA!” WAVING PALM BRANCHES AND LAYING THEIR CLOAKS ON THE ROAD...

ANTICIPATED HUNGER....

THE FALL OF MAN ESTIMATED 4,000 YEARS BEFORE JESUS CAME

THE FLOOD AND NOAH

THE PATRIARCHS AND THE PROMISE

THE EGYPTIAN BONDAGE APPROXIMATELY 400 YEARS

THE WILDERNESS WANDERINGS 40 YEARS

THE BABYLONIAN EXILE 70 YEARS

THE INTERTESTAMENTAL PERIOD 400 YEARS OF SILENCE

WE STILL HAVE A REMNANT OF PEOPLE WHO ARE SO HUNGRY FOR THEIR KING

JOHN 11:45-46

JOHN 11:55-57

JESUS HAS BECOME FAMOUS, AND THE CELEBRATING JEWS IN JERUSALEM CARRIED A GREAT ANTICIPATION AND HUNGER!

MATT 21:10-11

THERE WAS ALSO THE CAMP OF CYNICS....

CYNIC: one who believes that human conduct is motivated wholly by self-interest.

SO PUT YOURSELF BACK IN THE CROWD... ARE YOU THE GROUP WITH ANTICIPATED HUNGER? OR THE GROUP OF CYNICS?

AND WE MUST MAINTAIN OUR HUNGER...

THE PURPOSE IS SPIRITUAL HUNGER... HUNGER IS SOMETHING UNIQUE BECAUSE HUNGER COMBINES TWO THINGS:

- 1. NEED**
- 2. DESIRE**

BIBLICAL FASTING: To abstain from a type of food for some time for spiritual reasons.

WE DO NOT FAST TO APPEAR SPIRITUAL OR HAVE PEOPLE LOOK AT US IN AWE.

MATTHEW 6:16-18

WHY FAST? WHAT'S THE POINT?

- Fasting helps us to consecrate our soul (mind, will and emotions) to God, His word and tune in better to Him. & Seek the Father's will and directions.
- Fasting may reveal to us sins, weaknesses and issues in our lives that we didn't realize were there.
- Fasting reveals our dependence on God.
- Fasting is a form of worship (which is an outward expression of something or someone's worth)
- Fasting can bring forth miracles, signs, and wonders. & can enable a believer to stand against the enemy.

DURING THIS WEEK, THERE ARE TWO PRAYER REQUESTS:

- AN INCREASE OF SPIRITUAL HUNGER AND ANTICIPATION
- THAT GOD WOULD MOVE ON THE HEARTS OF THOSE WHO WILL BE HERE NEXT SUNDAY THAT ARE FAR FROM HIM, OR DON'T KNOW HIM AT ALL.

SOMEONE'S ETERNITY IS GOING TO SHIFT IN THIS ROOM NEXT SUNDAY!