

Luke 19:35

by Chuck Smith

God keeps His promises, but we must also be aware of the consequences of our choices and actions.

Scripture: Psalm 118:22-26, Isaiah 9:6-7, Daniel 9:25-26, Zechariah 9:9, Matthew 21:9, Mark 11:9-10, Luke 19:38, Luke 19:41-44, John 12:13, John 19:15

Topics: "Acceptance of Christ", "The Coming King"

Description

Chuck Smith emphasizes the significance of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem as the fulfillment of God's promise for a King. He reflects on the historical context of Israel's longing for deliverance and the rejection of Jesus by the religious leaders and the people. Despite the joyous cries of His disciples, Smith highlights the tragic consequences of rejecting the Messiah, as Jesus weeps over the city, foreseeing its destruction. The sermon calls listeners to recognize the importance of accepting Jesus as their King and the implications of their choices.

Transcript

"THY KING COMETH"

Intro: For years Israel plundered by her enemies. First the Egyptians... The throne in Jerusalem has been empty for centuries. Twenty years earlier, when Roman government removed power of Capitol..

I. GOD HAD PROMISED THEM A KING.

A. Psalm 118, "The stone which the builders refused."

B. Isaiah spoke of child that would be born, Son that would be given. Government to be on His shoulders. Later, he said the Branch would arise from roots of Jesse, Spirit of Lord upon Him.

C. Zechariah, "Rejoice greatly O daughter of Zion, shout O daughter of Jerusalem, behold thy King cometh unto thee."

II. LET'S EXAMINE THIS DAY. "THIS IS THE DAY THAT THE..."

A. Jesus is riding into Jerusalem on a colt.

B. Disciples are crying out portions of Psalm 118.

1. Hosanna, "save now."

2. Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord."

a. When Pharisees demanded that Jesus silence them, He said,"

C. This day happens to be 173,880 days since Artaxerxes gave Nehemiah the commandment to restore and rebuild Jerusalem.

D. This is God's promised day of deliverance. This is the day of peace.

E. Wait a minute.

1. The Pharisees are objecting.

2. The priests are rejecting.

3. The Romans are laughing.

4. The world is ignoring.

5. Only the humble faithful band of followers are believing and rejoicing.

6. The scene is perennial. You stand in one of the crowds, which one?

F. The Stone is refused.

1. He is despised and rejected of men.

2. Before the week is over, the Messiah will be "cut off."

a. Larger crowds will be crying.

1. We have no King but Caesar.

2. Away with Him, Crucify Him.

G. God had promised a day of salvation, and we must admit God kept His promise.

1. They refused to accept it.

2. God cannot be faulted for their coming calamity.

3. Their choice of Caesar as their King was to have tragic consequences.

III. THE WEEPING KING - VS. 41.

A. Why does the King cry.

1. Does He cry because His feelings are hurt by their rejection?

2. Does He cry out of rage from their humiliating Him?

3. He cries because He can see into the future.

a. He can see the horrible price they must pay for their ignorance.

"Thou knewest not.."

b. He sees the city lying desolate, the buildings leveled, the stench

of the decaying bodies of the children.

B. Their day had come, but for whatever reason they rejected their King and ultimately paid the horrible price for their folly.

1. This is your day, the King stands before you, He calls you to His Kingdom.

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