

Providence Reformed Baptist Church – Sunday, April 13, 2025

Sermon Series: The Road to Redemption – Matthew 20:17-19

Message 1. Hosanna in the Highest – Matthew 21:1-11

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Jesus announced to His disciples a number of times that He was going to Jerusalem to be handed over to the Gentiles, to be mocked, flogged, and crucified, and then would be raised the third day. This Road to Redemption would take Him through Rejoicing Crowds, Rejection at Calvary, and finally to the Resurrection from the Garden Tomb. In this first message, we look at the different expectations of Jesus, the disciples, and the crowds of people who saw Him riding into Jerusalem on the colt of a donkey.

- I. Jesus Knew What was Coming – Matt. 20:17-19
 - A. Shame and Suffering – Heb. 12:1-2
 - B. Mocking and Scourging – Isa. 50:5-6; 53:3-9
 - C. He Went Willingly, Intentionally, and Deliberately to the Cross – John 10:18
- II. Jesus' Triumphal Entry – Matt. 21:1-8
 - A. He had Prepared the Way – (vs. 1-5)
 - B. Meek and Lowly – Zech. 9:9-10
 1. Not in a chariot, on a horse, or with battle bows as Conquering King
 2. On a young donkey coming as the Prince of Peace
 - C. Rolling Out the Red Carpet (vs. 6-8) – 2 Kings 9:1-3, 11-13
- III. Jesus, the Hoped for Rebel Leader – Matt. 21:9
 - A. Hosanna! – Psalm 118:25-26
 1. "Save Now"
 2. "Son of David, Deliver Us!" – Matt. 20:29-34
 3. Coming "in the Name of the Lord" – God's Representative
 4. "Hosanna in the Highest" – Psalm 148
 - B. Praise for What?
 1. Salvation from Roman Oppression
 2. A Deliverer who hails from Galilee
 3. The Prophet, like Moses – Deut. 18:15
- IV. "Who is This?" – Matt. 21:10-11
 - A. The Crowd in Jerusalem – could this be the Messiah?
 - B. The Crowd from Galilee – the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee
 - C. The Religious Leaders – a threat, but they feared the crowds – Matt. 21:46
 - D. The Disciples – the Son of God – Matt. 16:13-18
- V. Expectations
 - A. Political Expectations
 - B. Public Excitement
 - C. Pharisaical Exuberance
 - D. Praising and Exalting Jesus
 1. As Lord
 2. As Savior
 3. As Prophet, Priest, and King
 4. As the Lamb of God
 5. As the Mediator of a New Covenant
 6. As King of Kings and Lord of Lords
 7. As God with Us

Cross References

Matthew 20:17-19

17 And as Jesus was about to go up to Jerusalem, He took the twelve disciples aside by themselves, and on the way He said to them, 18 “Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn Him to death, 19 and will deliver Him over to the Gentiles to mock and flog and crucify Him, and on the third day He will be raised up.”

Hebrews 12:1-2

12 Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, laying aside every weight and the sin which so easily entangles us, let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, 2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Isaiah 50:5-6

5 Lord Yahweh has opened My ear; And I did not rebel Nor did I turn back. 6 I gave My back to those who strike Me, And My cheeks to those who pluck out the beard; I did not hide My face from dishonor and spitting.

Isaiah 53:3-9

3 He was despised and forsaken of men, A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; And like one from whom men hide their face He was despised, and we did not esteem Him. 4 Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted. 5 But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our peace fell upon Him, And by His wounds we are healed. 6 All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way; But Yahweh has caused the iniquity of us all To fall on Him. 7 He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He did not open His mouth; Like a lamb that is led to slaughter, And like a sheep that is silent before its shearers, So He did not open His mouth. 8 By oppression and judgment He was taken away; And as for His generation, who considered That He was cut off out of the land of the living, That for the transgression of my people, striking was due to Him? 9 So His grave was assigned with wicked men, Yet He was with a rich man in His death, Because He had done no violence, Nor was there any deceit in His mouth.

John 10:18

18 No one takes it away from Me, but from Myself, I lay it down. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This commandment I received from My Father.”

Zechariah 9:9-10

9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Make a loud shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; He is righteous and endowed with salvation, Lowly and mounted on a donkey, Even on a colt, the foal of a pack animal. 10 I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim And the horse from Jerusalem; And the bow of war will be cut off. And He will speak peace to the nations; And His reign will be from sea to sea And from the River to the ends of the earth.

2 Kings 9:1-3, 11-13

9 Now Elisha the prophet called one of the sons of the prophets and said to him, “Gird up your loins, and take this flask of oil in your hand and go to Ramoth-gilead. 2 And you will come there and look there for Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi. And you will come in and bid him arise from among his brothers. And you will cause him to come in to an inner room. 3 Then you will take the flask of oil and pour it on his head and say, ‘Thus says Yahweh, “I have anointed you king over Israel.”’ Then open the door and flee and do not wait.”

11 Now Jehu came out to the servants of his master, and one said to him, “Is all well? Why did this mad fellow come to you?” And he said to them, “You know the man and his talk.” 12 And they said, “It is a lie, declare it to us now.” And he said, “Thus and thus he said to me, ‘Thus says Yahweh, “I have anointed you king over Israel.”’” 13 Then they hurried and each man took his garment and placed it under him on the bare steps, and blew the trumpet, saying, “Jehu is king!”

Psalms 118:25-26

25 O Yahweh, save! O Yahweh, succeed! 26 Blessed is the one who comes in the name of Yahweh; We have blessed you from the house of Yahweh.

Matthew 20:29-34

29 And as they were leaving Jericho, a large crowd followed Him. 30 And behold, two blind men sitting by the road, hearing that Jesus *was passing by, cried out, saying, “Lord, have mercy on us, Son of David!” 31 But the crowd sternly told them to be quiet, but they cried out all the more, saying, “Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!” 32 And Jesus stopped and called them, and said, “What do you want Me to do for you?” 33 They *said to Him, “Lord, that our eyes be opened.” 34 And moved with compassion, Jesus touched their eyes; and immediately they regained their sight and followed Him.

Psalms 148

1 Praise Yah! Praise Yahweh from the heavens; Praise Him in the heights! 2 Praise Him, all His angels; Praise Him, all His hosts! 3 Praise Him, sun and moon; Praise Him, all stars of light! 4 Praise Him, heavens of heavens, And the waters that are above the

heavens! 5 Let them praise the name of Yahweh, For He commanded and they were created. 6 He caused them to stand forever and ever; He gave a statute and it will never pass away. 7 Praise Yahweh from the earth, Sea monsters and all deeps; 8 Fire and hail, snow and clouds; Stormy wind, doing His word; 9 Mountains and all hills; Fruit trees and all cedars; 10 Beasts and all cattle; Creeping things and winged bird; 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples; Princes and all judges of the earth; 12 Both choice men as well as virgins; The old with the young. 13 Let them praise the name of Yahweh, For His name alone is set on high; His splendor is above earth and heaven. 14 And He has raised up a horn for His people, Praise for all His holy ones; For the sons of Israel, a people near to Him. Praise Yah!

Deuteronomy 18:15

15 “Yahweh your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers; you shall listen to him.

Matthew 21:46

46 And although they were seeking to seize Him, they feared the crowds, because they were regarding Him to be a prophet.

Matthew 16:13-18

13 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, He was asking His disciples, saying, “Who do people say that the Son of Man is?” 14 And they said, “Some say John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; but still others, Jeremiah, or one of the prophets.” 15 He *said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” 16 And Simon Peter answered and said, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” 17 And Jesus answered and said to him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. 18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it.