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## THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM

*“Hosanna to the Son of David! ‘Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!’ Hosanna in the highest!” (Matthew 21:9)*

### Objectives

<i>Knowledge of God’s Will</i>	Jesus, the Messiah, entered Jerusalem on a colt, affirming His royalty as well as His humility.
<i>Knowledge of God</i>	God is our King. He is just and brings salvation. He is lowly and gentle.
<i>Good Work</i>	Act as His witness, sanctified and ready for His use. Exhibit gentleness in words and in actions.

### A. Jesus Is Omniscient

The four Gospels record Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem. His entry into the city demonstrates Jesus’ power and His status as a spiritual ruler, not a worldly king. These are seen in three ways: The disciples found the colt, just as Jesus predicted; the owners agreed to lend the colt; and the colt, which had never been ridden, was obedient instead of unruly.

### B. Jesus Is King

When Jesus entered into Jerusalem, a huge crowd greeted Him and welcomed Him by laying palm tree branches—used in recognition of His kingship—on the road before Him. The people who welcomed Him into Jerusalem understood that Jesus was their King, shown in the words that they used. “Messiah” means “anointed one” in Hebrew, and in the Old Testament, only prophets, priests, and kings were anointed—the people were acknowledging Jesus’ status.

### C. Jesus Is Lowly, Just, and Has Salvation

- *God Is Lowly:* Jesus fulfilled the prophecy in Zechariah 9:9. Donkeys are lowly animals that a king would not normally ride on; by riding a donkey, Jesus showed His humility despite His status.
- *God Is Just:* God hates oppression, cheating, and all forms of mistreatment. He is fair and will judge between what is right and wrong according to His truth.
- *God Has Salvation:* God has offered us a way to be saved through the shedding of Jesus Christ’s blood on the cross. But in order to receive this salvation and gain the right to become His children, we must accept Jesus Christ as our Savior.

### Life Application: The Lord Has Need of You! (Mt 21:3)

#### 1. God wants us to be His witnesses

God uses us as His vessels by equipping us with His word (Josh 1:8) and by setting us apart from the rest of the world (Josh 3:5). In 2 Timothy 2:21, Paul teaches us that to be a vessel for God we must be sanctified, useful for the Master, and prepared for every good work.

#### 2. God wants us to be gentle and humble

Jesus is the best example of being gentle and lowly in heart. He calls any and all to Him and offers a rest that none other can offer (Mt 11:28–29). We need to imitate Him as best we can by being gentle in our words, our actions, and in our witness (Prov 15:1; 1 Thess 2:7; 1 Pet 3:15).

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## Lesson 7 Homework Assignment

### The Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Read							
Pray							

Memory Verse (Matthew 21:9):

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1. What are the meanings of “Hosanna” and “the Son of David”?
2. Why did Jesus ride into Jerusalem on a donkey?
3. What did the people use to greet Jesus as He entered Jerusalem? Why?
4. What does it mean to be lowly? How was Jesus gentle and lowly?
5. What does Paul teach us about being vessels for God in 2 Timothy 2:21?
6. How can we become a better vessel for God in our daily lives? What can we improve at home? At school?