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Awakening a City of Hope

Our mission is to serve the city in love and faith
with authentic connections to develop a
movement of hope filled people rooted in Yesu.

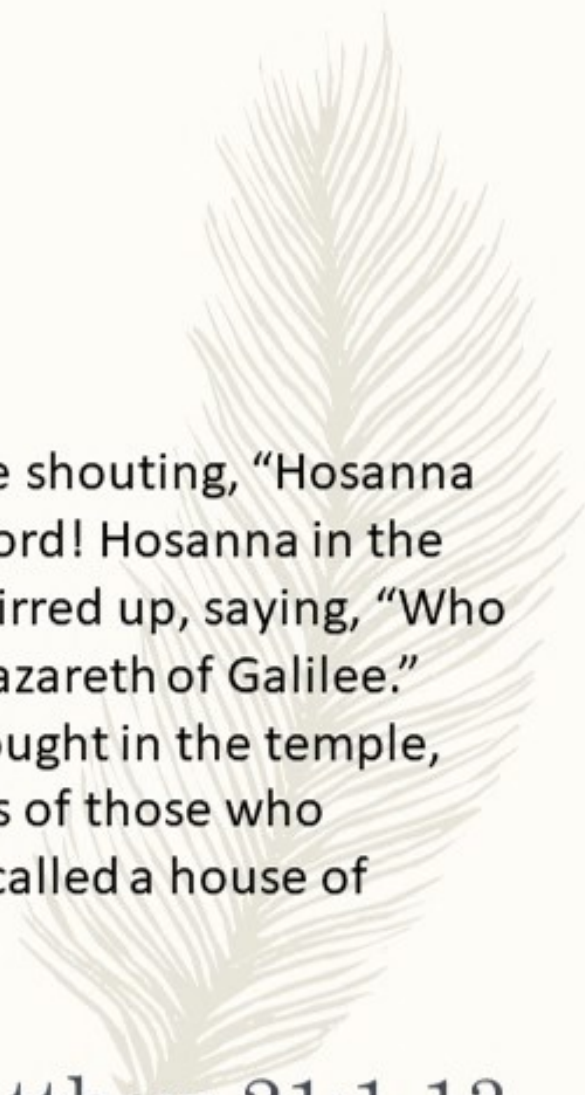


Preparing Room for the King!

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Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, ² saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³ If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” ⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying, ⁵ “Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’” ⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. ⁸ Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

Matthew 21:1-13



⁹ And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” ¹⁰ And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” ¹¹ And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.” ¹² And Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who sold and bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. ¹³ He said to them, “It is written, ‘My house shall be called a house of prayer,’ but you make it a den of robbers.”

Matthew 21:1-13



Setting The Scene

Jesus' Ministry Peaks

Right after the greatest/biggest miracle of his ministry; raising Lazarus from the Dead.

Jesus' Purposeful Timing

He comes a week before the feast of the passover

Jesus' "Grand" Entry... on a Donkey

Jesus' To Do List

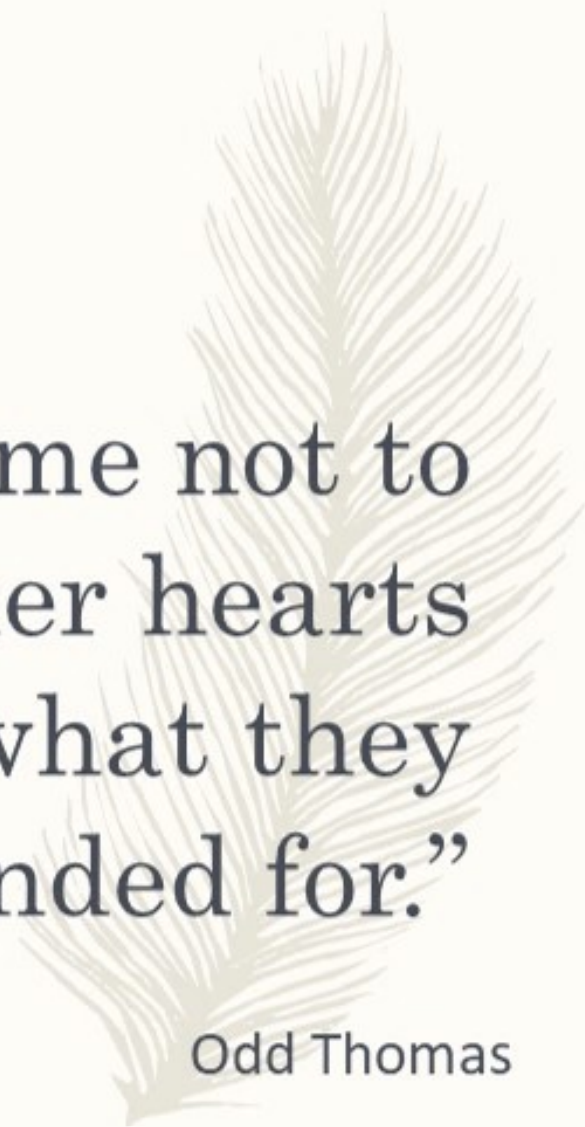


Fulfill The Scriptures

- Zechariah 9:9-10
- Jesus come riding a Donkey, not a horse.
- Jesus had eternal priorities because his mission was eternal.
- Earthly Kingdoms rise and falls, but Jesus Kingship is for an eternal Kingdom.

Set the Agenda of His Kingdom Straight

- Israel Wanted a political King (As usual), but Jesus came not to “Conquer kingdoms but conquer hearts”
- First place he went: The temple.
- His Priority was to restore people back to their eternal king



“The liberating King who came not to
conquer kingdoms but conquer hearts
and restore men back to what they
were intended for.”

Odd Thomas




Jesus: the Man with THE Plan

Jesus' main goal for his trip to Jerusalem was to fulfill that which He came for:

To restore the people of God back to their maker in the only way possible.

Everything that happens during the Holy Week/Passion Week/Week leading up to the passover was a domino effect to the ultimate event that Jesus was in Jerusalem for.



“The great thing about music is, you can sing a song to 85,000 people and they’ll sing it back for 85,000 different reasons.”

Dave Grohl (Foo Fighters)

The Crowds in the Crowd



The Feast Crowd- The Pilgrims that travelled for the passover.

The Crowd From Bethany- They had witnessed Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead, they followed Jesus because of what they had seen him do.

The Citizens of Jerusalem- The “who is this guy?” crowd

The Disciples of Jesus- The 12, and the women and Lazarus.

The Pharisees- Threatened by Jesus, wanted to control how much power he can have.



“At the foot of the cross the ground is equally leveled.”

“Joy to the world, the Lord is come
Let earth receive her King
Let every heart prepare Him room”

Joy to the World



Next Steps

Where are you in the crowd that was praising Jesus?

How do you need to prepare Him room in your heart this Holy Week?

What is the invitation Jesus is giving you as a response to where you are at?