The Triumphant Entry & The Last Supper

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The Triumphant Entry

"As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, <u>'Go</u> to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to Me. If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away.' <u>This took place to fulfill what</u> was spoken through the prophet: 'Say to Daughter Zion, "See, your King comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and <u>on a</u> colt, the foal of a donkey.'" The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of Him and those that followed shouted, 'Hosanna to the Son of David!' 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!' 'Hosanna in the highest heaven!' When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, 'Who is this?' The crowds answered, 'This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee.'"

(Matt. 21:1-11)

1. God is Not a God of Happenstance - But the God of Order and Plans.

A. Follow God's Plans, Not Man's Plans.

"Many are the plans in the mind of a man, but it is the purpose of the Lord that will stand." (Prov. 19:21)

B. What is God's Plan & Purpose for your life?

"For I know the plans I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future.'" (Jer. 29:11)

1. As Jesus Came in Grace and Humility, May Grace and Humility Precede Us.

"Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others." (Phil. 2:3-4)

"Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone." (Col. 4:6)



The Last Supper

"So, the disciples did as Jesus had directed them and prepared the Passover. When evening came, Jesus was reclining at the table with the Twelve. And while they were eating, He said, 'Truly I tell you, one of you will betray Me.' They were very sad and began to say to Him one after the other, 'Surely you don't mean me, Lord?' Jesus replied, 'The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with Me will betray Me. The Son of Man will go just as it is written about Him. But woe to that man who betrays the Son of Man! It would be better for him if he had not been born.' Then Judas, the one who would betray Him, said, 'Surely you don't mean me, Rabbi?' Jesus answered, 'You have said so.' While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, 'Take and eat; this is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will not drink from this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it new with you in My Father's kingdom.'" (Matt. 26:19-29)

1. We Are Called to Apostleship – The Baton Has Been Passed!

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ..." (Matt. 28:19)

1. Jesus Knew His Destiny - What's Yours?

"Behold. I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door. I will come in to him and eat with him. and

he with Me." (<u>Rev. 3:20</u>)