



## LESSON 117 MARK 11:7-11

**7 And they brought the colt to Jesus, and cast their garments on him; and he sat upon him. And many spread their garments in the way: and others cut down branches off the trees, and strawed them in the way. And they that went before, and they that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna; Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord: 0 Blessed be the kingdom of our father David, that cometh in the name of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest. 1 And Jesus entered into Jerusalem, and into the temple: and when he had looked round about upon all things, and now the eventide was come, he went out unto Bethany with the twelve.**

1. What day was this?
2. a. Why did the disciples put some of their garments on the donkey?
  - b. Did they understand what was happening?
3. Matthew 21:8 recounts a "very great multitude" was there. John 12:12-19 lists several groups of people that were present to see Jesus enter Jerusalem. Who were they and why did they come?
  - b. What were the different responses of Jesus coming as the Messiah?
4. Before Jesus actually entered Jerusalem to go to the temple, what did He do? Read Luke 19:41-45.

### **Possible answers**

1. Sunday-- a day in the Spring, a week before Easter, that we call Palm Sunday.
2. Out of respect for their Teacher and Leader and to make a cushion for riding.
  - b. No. Read John 12:16
3. His apostles and disciples; the people who had seen Jesus raise Lazarus from the dead (John 12:17), many of the people in Jerusalem who had heard the testimony about the miracle of Lazarus' being raised from the dead came out to see this Miracle-worker, Jesus of Nazareth; and the Pharisees, alarmed at the attention and acclaim Jesus was getting from the crowds.
  - b. Some praised Him and God for the mighty works He had done. (Luke 19:37-38)

Some Pharisees didn't like it and complained to Jesus. **(Luke 19:39) And some of the Pharisees from among the multitude said unto him, Master, rebuke thy disciples. And he**

answered and said unto them, I tell you that, if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately cry out.

4. He paused and began to weep as He viewed Jerusalem. (Have you ever cried over someone's spiritual condition?) He understood how much they were going to lose, individually and as a nation, spiritually and physically, by not accepting Him as their Messiah. **Luke 19:41-45 (NKJV) Now as He drew near, He saw the city and wept over it, saying, "If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things that make for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. For days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment around you, surround you and close you in on every side, and level you, and your children within you, to the ground; and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not know the time of your visitation."** (This prophecy given to Jesus was fulfilled in 70 A.D.) **Then He went into the temple and began to drive out those who bought and sold in it...**

Every one of us has a day of "visitation," a time which was the optimal season for us to accept the Lord. Today such is referred to as a "window of opportunity." The Father worked with us, even before we were saved, to teach us His principles and ultimately bring us to Jesus. **John 6:44-45 No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him;...It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Therefore everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to Me.**

Give thanks to the Lord for the days He taught you, and the wonderful day He visited you with salvation, and gave you eternal life in Christ.

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