

PALM
SUNDAY

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- MATTHEW 21:1-3 ESV

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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.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."

- MATTHEW 21:6-11 ESV



The Kingdom comes when
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BIRTH

BAPTISM

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And while they were there, the time came for her to give birth.⁷ And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in swaddling cloths and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.⁸ And in the same region there were shepherds out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.⁹ And an angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were filled with great fear.¹⁰ And the angel said to them, “Fear not, for behold, I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people.¹¹ For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.¹² And this will be a sign for you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger.”¹³ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

¹⁴ “Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!”

- LUKE 2:6-14 ESV

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem,² saying, “Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him.”

¹¹ And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh.

- MATTHEW 2:1-2, 11 ESV

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And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, **the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him;**¹⁷ and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

- MATTHEW 3:16-17 ESV

And when he came up out of the water, immediately **he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove.**¹¹ And a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

- MARK 1:10-11 ESV

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, **the heavens were opened,²² and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove;** and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

- LUKE 3:21-22 ESV

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And he said to them, “Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death **until they see the kingdom of God after it has come with power.**”² And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them,³ and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them.

- MARK 9:1-3 ESV

And after six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves.² And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light.

- MATTHEW 17:1-2 ESV

Now about eight days after these sayings he took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray.²⁹ And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white.

- LUKE 9:28-29 ESV

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HIS
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And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples.”⁴⁰ He answered, “I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.”

- LUKE 19:39-40 ESV

The Nature of the King

HIS
SOVEREIGNTY

He was in the world, and **the world was created by him**, but the world did not recognize him. ¹¹ **He came to what was his own**, but his own people did not receive him.

- JOHN 1:10-11 NET

Jesus didn't come to *get* a throne.

The Nature of the King

HIS
VICTORY

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From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

- MATTHEW 4:17 ESV

Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God,¹⁵ and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

- MARK 1:14B-15 ESV

The Nature of the Kingdom is Spiritual.

Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world."

- JOHN 18:36 ESV

The Kingdom is not a people or a place,
it is the presence of the King.

The Nature of the Kingdom is Redeeming.

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!”

- MATTHEW 21:9 ESV

The Nature of the Kingdom is Peaceful.

Peace - “Shalom”

When things are as they should be

And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying,

¹⁴ “Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace among those with whom he is pleased!”

- LUKE 2:13-14 ESV

As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, ³⁸ saying, “Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”

- LUKE 19:37-38 ESV

Jesus didn't come to get a throne,
He came to *extend* a Kingdom.

Responding to the King's *offer* of the Kingdom.

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