

PALM SUNDAY
The Triumphal Entry
March 20, 2016

Luke 9:51 (NIV) *“As the time approached for Him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem.”*

RESOLUTE - having a fixed, firm purpose; determined.

Four Ways To Welcome A King...

1. Welcome the King with Obedience.

Luke 19:28-31 (NIV) *“After Jesus had said this, He went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.²⁹ As He approached Bethphage and Bethany at the hill called the Mount of Olives, He sent two of His disciples, saying to them, ³⁰ ‘Go to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³¹ If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ say, ‘The Lord needs it.’ ”*

Luke 19:32-35a (NIV) *“Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as He had told them. ³³ As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, ‘Why are you untying the colt?’ ³⁴ They replied, ‘The Lord needs it.’ ³⁵ They brought it to Jesus...”*

Zechariah 9:9 (NIV) *“Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your King comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”*

John 14:15 (NIV) *“If you love Me, keep My commands.”*

2. Welcome the King with Gifts.

Luke 19:35-36 (NIV) *“They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. ³⁶ As He went along, people spread their cloaks on the road.”*

Matthew 21:8 (NIV) *“A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.”*

John 12:13a (NIV) *“They took palm branches and went out to meet Him...”*

3. Welcome the King with Praise.

Luke 19:37-38 (NIV) *“When He came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen: ³⁸ Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”*

Matthew 21:9 (NIV) *“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!’ ”*

Luke 19:39-40 (NIV) *“Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, ‘Teacher, rebuke Your disciples!’ ⁴⁰‘I tell you,’ He replied, ‘if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.’ ”*

Matthew 27:51 (NIV) *“At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook, the rocks split...”*

Matthew 27:54 (NIV) *“When the centurion and those with him who were guarding Jesus saw the earthquake and all that had happened, they were terrified, and exclaimed, ‘Surely He was the Son of God!’ ”*

4. Welcome the King with Faith.

Luke 19:41 (NIV) *“As He approached Jerusalem and saw the city, He wept over it.”*

Luke 19:42-44 (NIV) *“If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace—but now it is hidden from your eyes. ⁴³ The days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment against you and encircle you and hem you in on every side. ⁴⁴ They will dash you to the ground, you and the children within your walls. They will not leave one stone on another, because you did not recognize the time of God’s coming to you.”*

Ezekiel 33:11 (NIV) *“Say to them, ‘As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign Lord, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live. Turn! Turn from your evil ways! Why will you die, people of Israel?’ ”*