

Be Not Afraid

Week 2

Online Study

John 12:12-15

Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

¹² The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. ¹³ They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting,

“Hosanna!”

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

“Blessed is the king of Israel!”

¹⁴ Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written:

¹⁵ “Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion;
see, your king is coming,
seated on a donkey's colt.”

Psalm 118

¹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

⁵ When hard pressed, I cried to the LORD;
he brought me into a spacious place.

⁶ The LORD is with me; I will not be afraid.
What can mere mortals do to me?

⁷ The LORD is with me; he is my helper.
I look in triumph on my enemies.

¹⁵ Shouts of joy and victory
resound in the tents of the righteous:

“The LORD’s right hand has done mighty things!

¹⁶ The LORD’s right hand is lifted high;
the LORD’s right hand has done mighty things!”

¹⁷ I will not die but live,
and will proclaim what the LORD has done.

¹⁸ The LORD has chastened me severely,
but he has not given me over to death.

¹⁹ Open for me the gates of the righteous;
I will enter and give thanks to the LORD.

²¹ I will give you thanks, for you answered me;
you have become my salvation.

²² The stone the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;

²³ the LORD has done this,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴ This is the day the Lord has made;
let us rejoice today and be glad.

²⁵ LORD, save us!
LORD, grant us success!

²⁶ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD.
From the house of the LORD we bless you.

²⁷ The LORD is God,
and he has made his light shine on us.

With boughs in hand, join in the festal procession
up to the horns of the altar.

²⁸ You are my God, and I will praise you;
you are my God, and I will exalt you.

²⁹ Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
his love endures forever.

Lamentations 3:19-33

Do Not Fear, O Daughter of Zion

*¹⁹ I remember my affliction and my wandering,
the bitterness and the gall.*

*²⁰ I well remember them,
and my soul is downcast within me.*

*²¹ Yet this I call to mind
and therefore I have hope:*

*²² Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed,
for his compassions never fail.*

*²³ They are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.*

*²⁴ I say to myself, "The LORD is my portion;
therefore I will wait for him."*

*²⁵ The LORD is good to those whose hope is in him,
to the one who seeks him;*

*²⁶ it is good to wait quietly
for the salvation of the LORD...*

*³¹ For no one is cast off
by the Lord forever.*

*³² Though he brings grief, he will show
compassion,*

so great is his unfailing love.

*³³ For he does not willingly bring affliction
or grief to anyone.*

*⁵⁵ I called on your name, LORD,
from the depths of the pit.*

*⁵⁶ You heard my plea: "Do not close your ears
to my cry for relief."*

*⁵⁷ You came near when I called you,
and you said, "Do not fear."*

*⁵⁸ You, Lord, took up my case;
you redeemed my life.*

The Donkey's Cross

*'Bring me the colt of a donkey,' was
the Master's request.*

*A young donkey was brought to Jesus
to carry Him into Jerusalem.*

*A week later Jesus was ordered
crucified.*

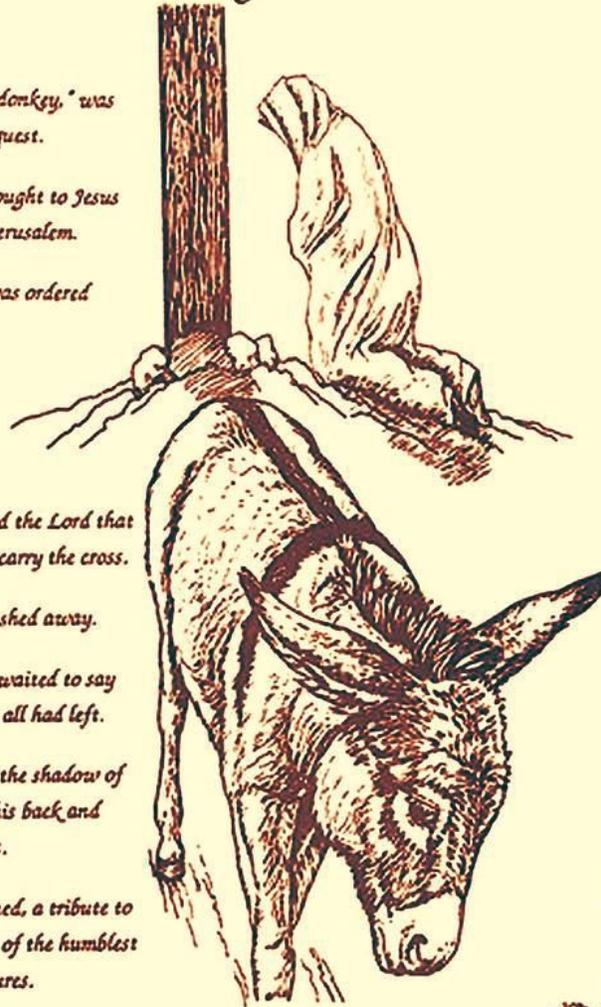
*The little donkey so loved the Lord that
he wanted to help Him carry the cross.*

But alas, he was pushed away.

*The sad little donkey waited to say
goodbye until nearly all had left.*

*As he turned to leave, the shadow of
the cross fell upon his back and
shoulders.*

*And there it has remained, a tribute to
the loyalty and love of the humblest
of God's creatures.*



Zechariah 9

The Coming of Zion's King

⁹ 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.

¹⁰ I will take away the chariots from Ephraim

and the warhorses from Jerusalem,

and the battle bow will be broken.

He will proclaim peace to the nations.

His rule will extend from sea to sea

and from the River^[b] to the ends of the earth.

¹¹ As for you, because of the blood of my covenant with

you,

I will free your prisoners from the waterless pit.

¹² Return to your fortress, you prisoners of hope;

even now I announce that I will restore twice as much to you.

The LORD Will Appear

¹⁶ The LORD their God will save his people on that day

as a shepherd saves his flock.

They will sparkle in his land

like jewels in a crown.

¹⁷ How attractive and beautiful they will be!

Grain will make the young men thrive,
and new wine the young women.