

## Sermon Handout

### Humbly Rejoicing

Luke 19:41-44

#### I. Jesus Weeps over Jerusalem

- a. He cries because Jerusalem rejects the “conditions of peace”
- b. Contrast Jesus’ first words to the gathered disciples Lk 24:36  
*cf.* Rom 5:1 (which is connected with rejoicing in v. 2)
- c. Faith in Jesus Christ as Lord of all is the sole means to peace; the only path to true rejoicing:
  - i. Belief in him who God raised from the dead
  - ii. Complete submission to the ascended Lord
  - iii. Acknowledging him as King of Kings, Lord of Lords
- d. Biblically, “peace” is a right relationship between God and man

#### II. Jerusalem was willfully ignorant of Jesus *cf.* v 39

- a. The crowd is excited, Jesus is sorrowful
  - i. He alone knows what is about to take place
  - ii. Their wickedness leads to Jerusalem’s great crime (Acts 2:36)
  - iii. Judgement will follow inevitably (and did in 70 A.D.)
- b. They were ignorant of his identity and his mission
  - i. His identity – Mt 21; Mk 11; Jn 12 (*cf.* Lk 19:39)
  - ii. His mission – Mk 1:15; Lk 8:1; Acts 2:34-38
- c. This ignorance is culpable, not innocent (Morris)  
They had the Scriptures Rom 3:1-2; Lk 24:44
- d. Jesus (David’s son) shares David’s sentiment *see* Ps 119:135-136
- e. Jesus & David weep because rejection always leads to judgment  
vv. 43-44; Gal 6:7-9

#### III. Lessons for the Church

- a. Humble rejoicing – apart from God’s grace, there go we
  - i. The resurrection is glorious to those who believe
  - ii. Christ condemned sin on the cross; will judgment on unbelief be any less?
- b. We must share Jesus’ sentiment: grief for those in unbelief
  - i. This must affect the way we live
  - ii. This must affect how we view those outside the Faith