

Sermon Outline

“The King Arrives”

Matthew 21:1-7

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A The mission begun vv. 1-2

B Explanation v. 3

C Prophecy fulfilled vv. 4-5

B¹ Obedience v. 6

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II. Understanding the event

a. The King arrives to establish peace

Zech 9:9 (*cf.* Is 62:11) “My Daughter Zion”

Zech 9:10 Messiah comes to establish peace, not war

b. Mount of Olives (Bethphage, on the Mount of Olives)

Zech 14:4-9 The Kingship of Jesus is established

Cf. Ezek 11:22-23; 43:1-4. (*See* John 1:14; II Pet 1:17)

c. Riding donkeys – royal entry

See Gen 49:8-12, regarding Judah’s destiny.

Cf. I Kg 1:38-40, Solomon’s inauguration.

II Sam 15:30; 16:1-2 Lamentation – King David’s departure.

Running from Absalom the usurper (two donkeys)

Matt 21:7-9 Jubilation – the King, Son of David, has returned!

Verse 9 – “Son of David.” *See* Acts 1:11.

III. Implications

The coming of Christ was not a political event, it was redemptive.

Zech 9:10-11; Matt 16:21.

The word of prophecy is sure – it points to Christ.

Lk 4:16-21; Lk 24:44-45; II Pet 1:19.

The expectation of Christ is certain – we can rely on God’s promises.

Acts 1:11; I Thess 5:9-11; 4:14-18.