

The Humble Lamb of God, the Messiah, Arrives in Jerusalem Matthew 20:29—21:12

- Jesus of Nazareth is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world (21:1-12)
 - a) Entered Jerusalem on Nisan 10-March 30, AD 33 (cf. Exod. 12:3)
 - b) Arrived 483 years (69 sevens) after Artaxerxes' decree (cp. Dan. 9:24-26, Neh. 2:1-8)
 - c) Would be "cut off" (Dan. 9:26) four days later (cf. Exod. 12:6)
 - d) Came to town humbly, not on a warhorse, to fulfill Zechariah 9:9 (cf. Gen 49:8-12)
- Jesus is never too busy to be compassionate to those who cry out for Him (20:29-34)
 - a) Desperate people don't let anything (or anyone) hinder them
 - b) The blind men didn't ask for chump change
 - c) Those with little have little to leave; not so with the rich
 - d) The desperate men called Jesus Lord, Son of David
 - e) Faith is what healed the men both physically and spiritually
- 3) Food for Thought
 - a) Realize your sinful depravity, your inability to be perfect
 - Recognize that Jesus is the Christ, the perfect Lamb who atones for all our sins
 - i) Call out to Him in faith
 - ii) Receive your forgiveness, and follow Him daily
 - c) Want Jesus to answer you? Call Him by His proper title: Lord, Son of David
 - d) When you pray, give Jesus your greatest requests. Great requests honor our great God!
 - e) Let your humble petitions of Jesus be heard by bystanders
 - f) Where are the faith healers today making the blind see or the dead rise?