

THE KING COMES TO DIE
(John 12:12-16)

- I. He Comes at the PRE-DETERMINED Time (12:12*a*)
 - A. He arrives on the Sunday before PASSOVER
 - B. He comes to fulfill Daniel's prophecy of the SEVENTY WEEKS (cf. Dan. 9:24-26)

- II. He Comes with the PRAISE of the Crowd (12:12*b*-13)
 - A. There is a "large crowd" who had come to see JESUS and LAZARUS
 - B. There is a "large crowd who had come to the FEAST"
 - 1. They knew of His MIRACLES
 - 2. Many had TRIED to make Him KING
 - C. They greet Him as a CONQUERING HERO
 - 1. Waving PALM BRANCHES
 - 2. Shouting "Hosanna" ("SAVE NOW")
 - D. They hail Him as their LEGITIMATE KING (cf. Psalm 118:26)

- III. He Comes in the PREDICTED Manner (12:14-15)

- A. Jesus RIDES on a YOUNG DONKEY (cf. Matt. 21:1-3; Luke 19:35)
- B. Jesus FULFILLS PROPHECY (cf. Zech. 9:9)
 - 1. A king usually rode a HORSE as a symbol of POWER (cf. Rev. 19:11)
 - 2. A king often rode a DONKEY as a symbol of PEACE

IV. He Comes to the PERPLEXITY of His Disciples (12:16)

- A. At first, they did not UNDERSTAND “these things”
- B. They REMEMBERED after Jesus was GLORIFIED
 - 1. Jesus’ glorification included His CRUCIFIXION, His RESURRECTION,
and His ASCENSION
 - 2. When Holy Spirit came at Pentecost He REMINDED and INSTRUCTED
the disciples