

JESUS' PUBLIC PRESENTATION TO JERUSALEM  
(Matthew 21:1-11)

- I. The PREPARATION for His Presentation (Matt. 21:1-7)
  - A. They were approaching His DESTINATION (21:1*a*; cf. 16:21; 20:18-19)
    - 1. Where He would be BETRAYED
    - 2. Where He would be EXECUTED
    - 3. Where He would be RESURRECTED
  - B. He sent two disciples to fetch a DONKEY and her COLT (21:1*b*-7)
    - 1. Jesus identified Himself as “the LORD” (cf. 3:3; 21:9)
    - 2. This would FULFILL prophecy (cf. Isa. 62:11; Zech. 9:9)
    - 3. It would be an act of SELF-REVELATION
      - a. He was entering the CAPITAL as KING
      - b. He was coming in PEACE (cf. Rev. 19:11)
- II. The ADULATION of the Multitude (Matt. 21:8-9)
  - A. There was a crowd BEFORE and BEHIND Him (21:9*a*)
    - 1. He was FOLLOWED by a crowd from JERICH0 (Matt. 20:29)

2. He was MET by a crowd from JERUSALEM
- B. The crowds WELCOMED Him as KING (21:8)
1. Spreading CLOAKS in the road (cf. 2 Kings 9:13)
  2. Spreading BRANCHES in the road (cf. Rev. 7:9)
- C. The crowds HAILED Him as MESSIAH (21:9b)
1. They called Him “the SON of DAVID”
  2. They called Him “He who comes in the NAME of the LORD” (cf. Psalm 118:26)
  3. They called Him BLESSED
  4. They cried “HOSANNA” (“DELIVER us”)
- III. The LIMITATION of Their Understanding (Matt. 21:10-11)
- A. The CITY was roused to ask, “WHO IS THIS?”
- B. The crowds identified Him as “the PROPHET Jesus, from Nazareth in Galilee”
- C. They believed Him to be LESS than they had CLAIMED (cf. Isa. 6:9-10).