



# PALM SUNDAY

LUKE 19:28-40

## Overview

In many ways, Palm Sunday is a litmus test of our worship. Do we worship exuberantly, or are we subdued? Does our worship cost us something? Is Jesus pleased with our worship, or is He about to drive out the impurities? Take the litmus test. Your King has arrived.

## Discussion Questions

1. Expectations. Why was the fact that Jesus was riding on a donkey into Jerusalem significant? (Check **Zechariah 9:9**).
2. Check **Daniel 9:25**. Daniel wrote that there would be 69 weeks (sevens) of years from the time the command went out to rebuild the wall around Jerusalem to the time Messiah rides into Jerusalem. The command went out on March 4, 444 B.C. 483 years later would be March 29, A.D. 33, right about the time Jesus rode in Jerusalem. Why is this important? How does this make you feel about God's timing?
3. Worship. What does the fact that the crowds threw their coats on the ground tell you about their approach to worship? What are you willing to "throw down" for Jesus? In what ways is your worship extravagant?
4. In **v. 37** it says the worshippers "shout and sang" to the Lord. What does this tell you about their worship?
5. In **v. 39** the Pharisees tried to stop their worship, but were unable. What does this tell you about their worship? Are you "unstoppable" in your worship of Jesus? Are there people in your life that have tried to get you to "settle down" about Jesus? How did you respond?
6. Why did Jesus weep bitterly in **v. 41**? What was about to happen to Jerusalem due to their rejection of their Messiah?
7. In **v. 45** Jesus once again drove out the money changers and sellers of sacrifices. Why did He do that? What does that tell you about how God feels about worship?