Series: Behold the King! Sermon: The Coming King

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Bible text explored: Zechariah 9:9

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

Behold, your king is coming to you;

righteous and having salvation is he,

humble and mounted on a donkey,

on a colt, the foal of a donkey. [ESV]

## Review and application:

- 1. Today the children's choirs waved palm fronds as they filed in, and the chancel choir sang "hosanna." What was the significance of the branches the Jerusalem crowd used in celebrating Jesus' triumphal entry? (See *Psalm 118:26-27.*)

  What is the meaning of the word hosanna (Matt 21:9 and John
  - What is the meaning of the word *hosanna* (*Matt.21:9* and *John 12:13*) shouted by the crowd?
- 2. How quickly did supporters in the crowd grasp the significance of Jesus entry into Jerusalem as a king from David's line? (See *Matt. 21:8* and *John 12:16.*)
  - How about Jesus' opponents? (See *Luke 19:39-40*.)
- 3. Is our joy in celebrating the Easter season shaped by recognition that our King comes with absolute authority?
- 4. What are the benefits of being ruled by a righteous King? (See also *Jer. 23:5-6.*)
  - In what area am I painfully aware of sinful tendencies?
  - Why, then, is our King's suffering to bring us salvation essential? (See also *Isa. 53:10-11*.)
- 5. How did Jesus being mounted on a donkey contrast (*Zech.* 9:10) with the way invaders would enter?
  - How did Jesus' chosen steed demonstrate his desire to liberate rather than dominate? (See also *Phil. 2:5-8.*)
  - From what shackles do I need to be set free?
- 6. Why should truly receiving our King be an occasion for rejoicing? (See *Psalm 16:11*.)