The Triumphal Entry! Part 2

Intro Song: "In The Name of The Father" by The Thirsting from the 2008 Champions of the Lamb Album!

Intro Prayer:

- For the conversion of sinners... may the repent of their sins and turn back to the King of Peace who is eager to reconcile them!
- For our material needs... may God provide out of his abundance!
- For the gift of the Holy Spirit this Holy Week... may we enter into the mystery of the passion, death, and resurrection of our Lord with a depth that is beyond human understanding! May it transform us, convert us, and revitalize our faith.
- For the courage to go... and make disciples of all nations!
- Our Father....

Palm Sunday: The Recap!

Matthew 21:

Vs. 1 - Jesus comes to the HOUSE OF FRUIT (figs) on the Mount of Olives

Vs. 2 - Go to the village OPPOSITE you to find the Donkey & Colt

Vs. 5 - Quote from Zach. 9:9 - Tell daughter Zion... your King comes to you riding on a donkey! A King of Peace!

Vs. 7 Jesus is placed on the Donkey

Vs. 9 - Shouts of Hosanna to the SON of DAVID as Jesus makes his way into the City

Vs. 12 & 13 - Jesus goes to the Temple and cleanses the Court of Gentiles (Nations) - "... den of robbers"!

Vs. 14 - The BLIND & the LAME came to him & he healed them!

- **Vs. 15-16** the Chief Priests are indignant at the wonderful things and the Children crying out... out of the mouths of babes!
- **Vs. 19** He Curses the fig tree for NOT bearing FRUIT... it will NEVER bear fruit again!
- **Vs. 23** He is being tested for his wisdom & speaks in parables to the Chief Priests, the seduces, and the pharmacies... the 3 wicked shepherds! Judgments comes to Jerusalem!

The consummation of the feast of Tabernacles

- 8 Day festival remembering the journey of the people, living in huts, in the wilderness
 - Taylor Marshal from <u>The Crucified Rabbi</u> Page 158 "The Tabernacles recalled Israel's forty years of wandering in the deserts of Sinai. The feast of Tabernacles was also one of the three pilgrim festival that obligated all adult males to journey to Jerusalem. The festival climaxed in an eighth day of rest, feasting, and solemn assembly."
- The same feast which King Solomon used to dedicate the completion of the building of the Temple!
 - Dr. Scott Hahn from <u>A Father Who Keeps His Promises</u> Page 53
 "A Similar pattern is evident in the biblical account of the
 construction of Solomon's temple, which he rushed to complete
 in seven years and chose to dedicate in the seventh month during the Feast of Tabernacles, which lasted exactly seven
 days. To top it off, Solomon's prayer of dedication was composed
 of seven petitions"
 - But... what happened on the 8th Day?
 - 1 Kings 8:[66] On the eighth day he sent the people away; and they blessed the king, and went to their homes joyful and glad of heart for all the goodness that the LORD had shown to David his servant and to Israel his people.
- The Feast which Judas Maccabeus would use to CLENSE the temple of the idols and to reconsecrate it to God!
 - 2 Maccabees 10:

- [1] Now Maccabeus and his followers, the Lord leading them on, recovered the temple and the city;
- [2] and they tore down the altars which had been built in the public square by the foreigners, and also destroyed the sacred precincts.
- [3] They purified the sanctuary, and made another altar of sacrifice; then, striking fire out of flint, they offered sacrifices, after a lapse of two years, and they burned incense and lighted lamps and set out the bread of the Presence.
- [4] And when they had done this, they fell prostrate and besought the Lord that they might never again fall into such misfortunes, but that, if they should ever sin, they might be disciplined by him with forbearance and not be handed over to blasphemous and barbarous nations.
- [5] It happened that on the same day on which the sanctuary had been profaned by the foreigners, the purification of the sanctuary took place, that is, on the twenty-fifth day of the same month, which was Chislev.
- [6] And they celebrated it for eight days with rejoicing, in the manner of the feast of booths, remembering how not long before, during the feast of booths, they had been wandering in the mountains and caves like wild animals.
- [7] Therefore bearing ivy-wreathed wands and beautiful branches and also fronds of palm, they offered hymns of thanksgiving to him who had given success to the purifying of his own holy place.
- [8] They decreed by public ordinance and vote that the whole nation of the Jews should observe these days every year.

Christ is the fulfillment of the Feast of Tabernacles & Hanukkah!

- . A NEW King of Peace comes to the Temple with an 8 day festival!
 - 8 Days from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday & Just like Solomon...
 Jesus too will offer a sacrifice and dedicate the NEW Temple which is HIS body!
 - Solomon's own name means "peaceful one"
 - Ephesians 2:14 "For he is our peace, who has made us both one,

and has broken down the dividing wall of hostility,"

- King of JERU-SALEM God will provide... peace!
- On first day... God's presence fills the temple purifying it!
 - 1 Kings 8: 10 & 11
 - On Palm Sunday... the 1st of the 8 days... Jesus cleanses the Temple!
 - Matt. 21: 12 & 13
 - Cleanses what? The court of the Gentiles... why? so they TOO can come to God and enter into communion!
 - The "dividing wall" separated the court of the Gentile to the court where the Jews could enter and pray. A sign hung in the door way between these two courts read something like "pass through at your own risk... your blood will be on your hands"!
 - On the 8th Day... Solomon sends away the people who were joyful
 - 1 Kings 8:66
 - On the 8th Day Easter Sunday Jesus' Angels send away the women...
 - Matthew 28: 7 & 8
 - [7] Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. Lo, I have told you."
 - [8] So they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples.
- A NEW King comes to RE-TAKE the Temple!
 - Judas Maccabeus concurred the Greeks and took back the Temple
 - cleansed the temple by casting out the idols
 - held a NEW 8 day festival of LIGHTS an image of the Feast of Tabernacles!
 - And offered sacrifice once again!
 - Jesus comes... riding into Jerusalem and taking back the Temple
 - Cleanses the Temple by casting out the traders or traffickers who profane HIS Father's House!
 - proclaiming judgment on the evil Shepherds and their corrupt ways!
 - Jesus brings all the wickedness out of the Dark and into HIS Light!
- Taylor Marshal from The Crucified Rabbi Page 160 & 161 Bottom paragraph

Let's talk about the Quoted passage from Zechariah 9 In Matthew 21:5

Zechariah 9: 9 & 10

[9] Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on an ass, on a colt the foal of an ass.

[10] I will cut off the chariot from E'phraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

- Notice the striking contrast from the Peaceful King on a Donkey and the WAR Chariots of Ephraim
 - Just like Solomon & Adnoijiah
- · Notice also the King Messiah's dominion...
 - FROM the RIVER...
 - I suggest an allusion to the "River of Life" that flowed from the side of Christ... Baptism!
 - ...to the ends of the earth!
 - Matthew 28:
 - [19] Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
 - [20] teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age."

Zach Chapters 9 - 14 Notice how perfectly Jesus fulfills these passages!

■ Ch. 9 -

- King rides into Jerusalem on a Donkey in peace!
- Dominion to the ends of the earth
- Proclaims the BLOOD of the Covenant
- Sets the Captives FREE from the waterless pit
- Saves the flock on the DAY of Judgement
- Brings a NEW Bread & a NEW Wine

■ Ch, 10 -

- The people wander like LOST sheep because their shepherds are worthless
- The King's anger is HOT against these worthless shepherds
- Out of the flock come the Cornerstone!
- From every NATION (Gentile Abraham's Son's) Israel is ingathered!

Ch. 11 -

- The traders get rich of the flock and the shepherds are corrupt!
- The King gives them over to their own desires which consume them!
- THe King then becomes the Shepherd of a DOOMED flock
- God annuls the covenant with the people
- The traffickers in sheep KNOW its the Word of the Lord -Judgement!
- The wages of evil are paid out to the tune of 30 shekels for the King Messiah
- The worthless shepherd does NOT love neighbor & does NOT bear fruit!
- The worthless shepherd's ARM withers (lame), and his right eye goes BLIND!

Ch. 12 -

- Judgement is coming for Jerusalem
- BUT... a Shield for the House of David
- A Spirit is poured out!
- They weep on the one whom THEY have pierced
- Like weeping over the loss of the "First-Born"!

Ch. 13 -

- When the Prophet speaks... they pierce Him
- He receives his wounds on his back from the house of his friends
- A sword is used to strike the worthless shepherd
- The shepherd is struck and the flock scattered

Ch, 14 -

- The DAY OF THE LORD Judgment & Enthronement!
- LIVING waters flow from jerusalem
- The Lord becomes KING of all NATIONS he is ONE & his name is ONE
- A NEW Jerusalem rises above all others
- The old Jerusalem will be destroyed & given over to the nations
- ALL Nations will come to the NEW Jerusalem and keep the feasts of Tabernacles
- The House of God is cleansed and the sacrifice is GOOD!

What does Jesus accomplish in this passage? Perfect union with ALL of God's Son's & Daughters in the NEW & Perfect Temple... HIS Body!

Ephesians 2:

- [13] But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near in the blood of Christ.
- [14] For he is our peace, who has made us both one, and has broken down the dividing wall of hostility,
- [15] by abolishing in his flesh the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace,
- [16] and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby bringing the hostility to an end.
- [17] And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near;
- [18] for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father.
- [19] So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,

- [20] built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone,
- [21] in whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord;
- [22] in whom you also are built into it for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.