



Matthew 21:1-16

1 Now when they drew near Jerusalem, and came to Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, 2 saying to them, “Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Loose them and bring them to Me. 3 And if anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord has need of them,’ and immediately he will send them.” 4 All this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying: 5 “Tell the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your King is coming to you, Lowly, and sitting on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.’ ” 6 So the disciples went and did as Jesus commanded them. 7 They brought the donkey and the colt, laid their clothes on them, and set Him on them. 8 And a very great multitude spread their clothes on the road; others cut down branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: “Hosanna to the Son of David! ‘Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!’ Hosanna in the highest!” 10 And when He had come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, “Who is this?” 11 So the multitudes said, “This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth of Galilee.” 12 Then Jesus went into the temple of God and drove out all those who bought and sold in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves. 13 And He said to them, “It is written, ‘My house shall be called a house of prayer,’ but you have made it a ‘den of thieves.’ ” 14 Then the blind and the lame came to Him in the temple, and He healed them. 15 But when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that He did, and the children crying out in the temple and saying, “Hosanna to the Son of David!” they were indignant 16 and said to Him, “Do You hear what these are saying?” And Jesus said to them, “Yes. Have you never read, ‘Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants You have perfected praise’?”

A Coach Dabo-ism about Life:
Your beliefs become your thoughts
Your thoughts become your words
Your words become your actions
Your actions become your habits
Your habits become your values
Your values become your destiny.

Main Point:

If you want the dominion of Christ in your life—Lift Jesus up in exaltation in all you do.

Romans 6:12-14

12 Do not let sin control the way you live; do not give in to sinful desires. 13 Do not let any part of your body become an instrument of evil to serve sin. Instead, give yourselves completely to God... 14 For sin shall not have dominion over you, for you are not under law but under grace.

LESSONS FROM THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY OF JESUS:

1. Jesus shows us _____ does not come by _____; it comes by:

a. _____

1 John 4:7-8

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. 8 He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

b. _____

Ephesians 2:8

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God,

c. _____

Psalms 51:1

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.

d. _____

Matthew 20:27-28

(Jesus said) 27 And whoever desires to be first among you, let him be your slave— 28 just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”

LESSONS FROM THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY OF JESUS:

2. House Rules for _____ .

#1 Commitment to _____

Matthew 21:13

(Jesus said) “It is written, ‘My house shall be called a house of prayer,’ but you have made it a ‘den of thieves.’ ”

Acts 6:4

(Declaration)...we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word.”

Romans 12:12

...rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer.

Ephesians 6:18

praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful...

Psalms 72:15b

... Prayer also will be made for Him continually...

Matthew 26:41

(Jesus said) Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

LESSONS FROM THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY OF JESUS:

Point 2 House Rules Continued...

#2 Commitment to _____

Matthew 21:9

Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: "Hosanna to the Son of David! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!' Hosanna in the highest!"

Matthew 21:15-16

But when the chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that He did, and the children crying out in the temple and saying, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" they were indignant and said to Him, "Do You hear what these are saying?" And Jesus said to them, "Yes. Have you never read, 'Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants You have perfected praise'?" (This came from Psalm 8:2)

Ephesians 5:19-20

speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, 20 giving thanks always...

Psalms 95:2

Let us come to him with thanksgiving...

Psalms 69:30

I will praise the name of God with a song, and will magnify Him with thanksgiving.

Psalms 30:11

You have turned for me my mourning into dancing; You have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with gladness,

Hebrews 13:15

Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name.

LESSONS FROM THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY OF JESUS:

Point 2 House Rules Continued...

#3 Commitment to _____

Matthew 21:12

Then Jesus went into the temple of God and drove out all those who bought and sold in the temple, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves.

Matthew 5:8

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

1 Timothy 4:12

...be an example... in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity.

Psalms 24:3-4

3 Who may climb the mountain of the Lord? Who may stand in his holy place? 4 Only those whose hands and hearts are pure, who do not worship idols and never tell lies.

LESSONS FROM THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY OF JESUS:

Point 2 House Rules Continued...

#4 Commitment to _____

Matthew 21:13, 16

13 (Jesus said) "It is written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer,' but you have made it a 'den of thieves.' "

16 And said to Him, "Do You hear what these are saying?" And Jesus said to them, "Yes. Have you never read, 'Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants You have perfected praise'?"

Ecclesiastes 12:13

Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is man's all.

1 Peter 4:10

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

LESSONS FROM THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY OF JESUS:

3. Your commitments to lifting Jesus up will _____ you _____ God wants to _____ you.

Zechariah 9:9

Rejoice, O people of Zion! Shout in triumph, O people of Jerusalem! Look, your king is coming to you. He is righteous and victorious, yet he is humble, riding on a donkey—riding on a donkey's colt.

John 8:28

Then Jesus said to them, "When you lift up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am He, and that I do nothing of Myself; but as My Father taught Me, I speak these things. 29 And He who sent Me is with Me. The Father has not left Me alone, for I always do those things that please Him." 30 As He spoke these words, many believed in Him.

John 12:32

(Jesus said) And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all peoples to Myself.

Luke 19:10

For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost.

Reflection:

1. Are you allowing the dominion of Christ in your life?
2. How often do you lift Jesus up?
3. It really takes a daily discipline to yield to Christ and lift Him up!