

BLESSED HOPE



BIBLE CHURCH

**Learning of Christ, Loving in Christ, Leaning on Christ, Living for Christ, Leading to Christ
Based on the Word of God**

The image features a close-up of several vibrant green palm fronds, likely from a coconut palm, arranged diagonally across the frame. The fronds are set against a background of a light-colored bamboo mat, characterized by its vertical slats and natural texture. The lighting is bright, highlighting the sharp edges and veins of the palm leaves.

Palm
Sunday

THE JESUS OF THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY





Riding into Jerusalem by Harold Copping

- At the Triumphant Entry:
 - We have the Prince of Peace...
 - Riding into the city of peace...
 - In order to give His life to establish peace...
 - So that all who believe may experience peace



- The Triumphant Entry is recorded in all four Gospels:
 - Matthew 21:1-17
 - Mark 11:1-11
 - Luke 19:28-44
 - John 12:12-19
- But it is more than a nice Easter story—it tells us great truths about Jesus.
- From Matthew 21:1-17 we will look at **three** great truths.

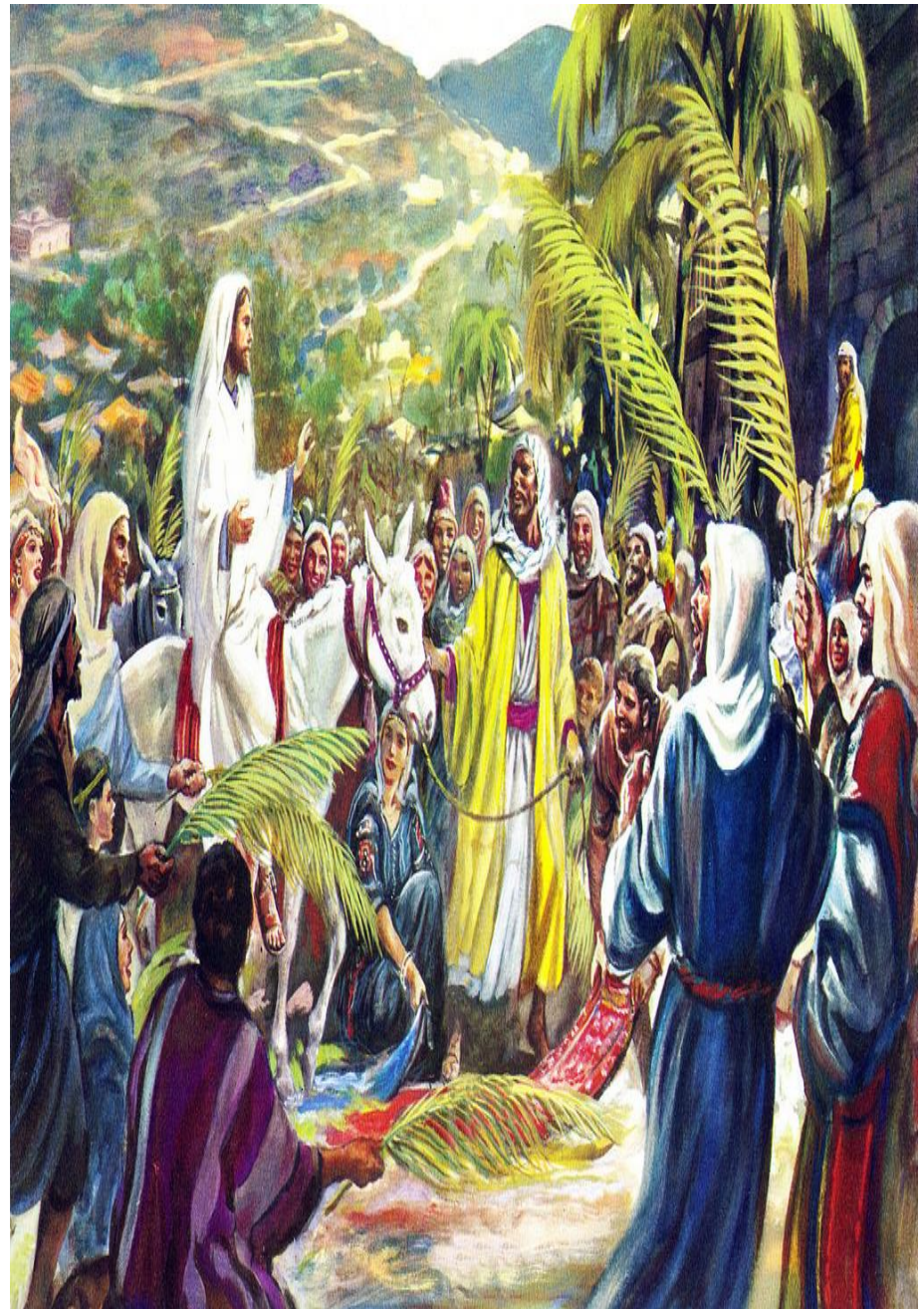
TRUTH #1: THE KING'S AUTHENTICITY



- **THE CONTEXT:**

- Jesus sends two of His disciples to get a donkey and a colt.
- The disciples, having brought the donkey and the colt, laid their clothes on them and set Jesus on the colt.
- Jesus rides on the colt into Jerusalem, with the multitude following, spreading their garments and branches on the road and shouting statements of praise.

- THE SIGNIFICANCE:
Matthew wants us to realize..
 - That Jesus fulfilled prophecy (Zech.9:9)
 - That Jesus is the Son of David who will bring salvation and peace (Psa.118:25-26)
 - That Jesus is the Prophet predicted by Moses (Deut.18:15)



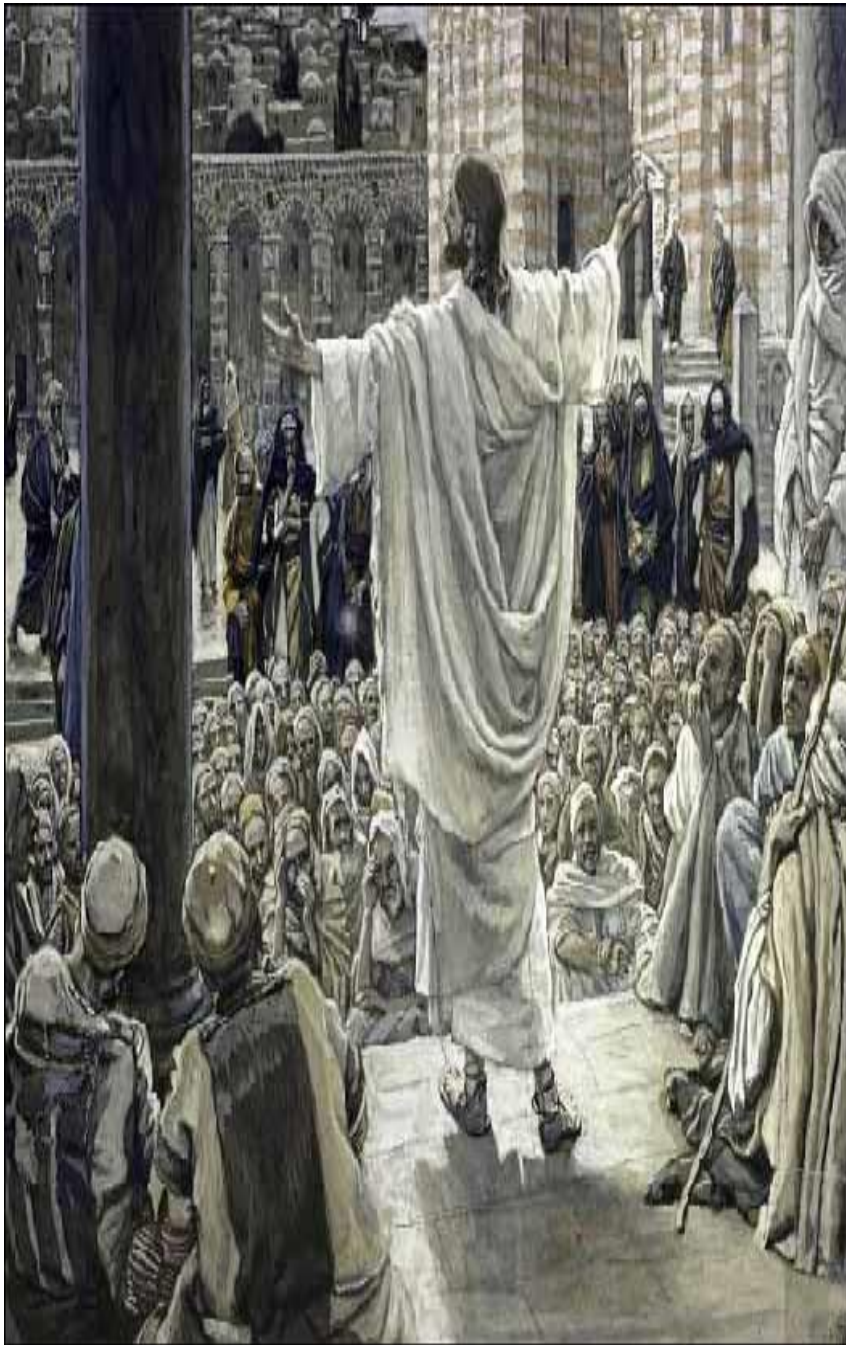


- The rich, noble and conquering kings come riding a white horse as the symbol of victory.
- Jesus came riding on a humble donkey, showing that He fulfills the prophecy of Messiah-King.
- One day He will come again, riding a white horse with power and great glory to establish His kingdom

TRUTH #2: THE KING'S AUTHORITY

- THE CONTEXT
 - Jesus goes into the temple and drives out all those who bought and sold in the temple.
 - Afterwards, the blind and the lame came to Him in the temple and He healed them.





- THE SIGNIFICANCE:
Matthew wants us to realize ...
 - That Christ has the authority to stand against any perversion to true worship (e.g., worship that is based upon personal convenience and opportunity)
 - That Christ has the authority to affirm the standard for true worship before God (e.g., worship that is based upon undistracted quality time with the Lord).

- Right now, people attempt to worship God in their own selfish ways.
- In cleansing the temple, Jesus pronounced judgment on selfish worship.
- One day, Jesus will pass judgment on all false religious worship



TRUTH #3: THE KING'S ADORATION



- THE CONTEXT

- The chief priests and scribes saw the wonderful things that Jesus did.
- However, they became indignant when they heard the children crying out, “Hosanna to the Son of David
- They want Jesus to rebuke and correct these children.

- THE SIGNIFICANCE:
Matthew wants us to realize ...
 - That Christ both received and accepted praise (e.g., because of the wonderful things He did).
 - That if one refuses to give Jesus respect and praise, it is because one does not really understand or know who Jesus is.





- Many people do not respect and praise the Lord because they do not really know who He is.
- Psa.8:2 shows that even babies give praise to Lord for His great work.
- One day the Lord will be vindicated over His enemies, then all the saints will praise His name as He brings in His kingdom.

A CHALLENGE FOR YOU
BELIEVE HIM; LOVE HIM; PRAISE HIM

