Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem is a major statement about God’s plan of salvation and the kind of king that Jesus would be.

What is this passage asking us to do?

INTRODUCTION

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Jesus begins to direct the events that are coming. Everything is under his sovereign control.

The disciples went to the village and found everything just as he said.

Everything is in fulfillment of Scripture.

“Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion!
Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem!
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righteous and having salvation,
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on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

Zechariah 9:9

No one would take his life from him. He would lay it down of his own accord. John 10:18

When worship is genuine, it flows from the heart. No one has to tell us to worship.

They worshiped, shouting the words of Psalm 118:26.

“Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!”
“Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”

II. WORSHIP HIS MAJESTY. LUKE 19:37-44

The Pharisees hated it.

Jesus replied, “If they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”
As Jesus approached the city, he wept over it.

In the year A.D. 70, Jerusalem and the Temple would be destroyed by the Roman army.

“Caesar commanded the entire city and the temple to be razed to the ground, leaving only the towers which projected higher than the others to stand...to reveal to posterity how great a city Jerusalem had been and what sort of fortifications Roman prowess had dominated. All the rest of the wall was to be demolished so that no one who would come there in the future would ever believe that the spot had been inhabited.” Josephus

Jesus longed for the people to turn to him and be saved. He still longs for that.

There were three responses to Jesus that day.
• Those who believed in him.
• Those who rejected him.
• Those who did not understand.

Which response best describes you?

CONCLUSION