

PALM SUNDAY

THE NEXT MOVE

Matthew 21:1 – 11 (NIV)

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MESSAGE NOTES

Who Is This?

What Is His Next Move?

Preparation – Posture – Praise

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away." This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: "Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'" The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. — Matthew 21:1–8 (NIV)

- **Preparation – They remembered what Jesus said.**
- **Posture – Our posture reflects our surrender to Jesus.**

*The crowds that went ahead of Him and those that followed shouted,
"Hosanna to the Son of David!"*

"Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!"

"Hosanna in the highest heaven!" — Matthew 21:9 (NIV)

- **Praise – My words and my actions praise the King.**

When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee." — Matthew 21:10 – 11 (NIV)

Action Steps:

1. **Set time aside to prepare for Jesus.**
2. **Set a posture that surrenders yourself to Jesus.**
3. **Set the tone for the praise Jesus deserves.**



DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What does it look like for you to prepare your heart for Jesus in your daily life?
- How does your current posture—spiritually, emotionally, or physically—reflect your surrender to Jesus?
- In what ways can your words and actions offer praise to Jesus this week?
- When was the last time you asked, “Who is this?” about Jesus—and what did you discover?
- What specific step can you take this week to set the tone for the kind of praise Jesus deserves?