

## **REACTIONS TO ROYALTY** **Luke 19:28-44**

**Let's consider what we can learn from the reactions  
of those who welcomed King Jesus.**

### **I. SEVERAL COOPERATED** (29-36)

#### **A. TWO DISCIPLES** (29-32)

1. Obeying what Jesus commanded (32a) > *Those who were sent went!*
2. Finding what Jesus indicated (32b)
3. Repeating what Jesus said (33-34)

#### **B. THE DONKEY OWNERS** (33-34)

1. Willing to let Jesus use their property
2. Participating in the fulfillment of prophecy - See Zech. 9:9

#### **C. TWELVE DISCIPLES** (35-36)

- Honoring and then presenting Jesus

### **DO WE FULLY COOPERATE WITH KING JESUS?**

### **II. MANY CELEBRATED** (37-38)

#### **A. THE RECEPTION** (37a)

1. Praising God joyfully with a loud voice
  - There had been doubt as to whether Jesus would show up - See John 11:55-57
2. When they heard that He had come they welcomed Him with palm branches - John 12:12-13
  - Luke is the only writer who does not include this detail

#### **B. THE REASON** (37b)

1. For all the miracles which they had seen
  - Raising Lazarus (John 12:17-18) and giving sight to Bartimaeus (Luke 18:35-43)
2. They were celebrating because of Christ's conduct and not because of His character

#### **C. THE RESPONSE** (38)

1. Their Words
  - a. Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord - See Psalm 118:26
  - b. Peace in heaven: God at peace with His people
  - c. Glory in the highest: Exuberant joy
2. Their Welcome: "Hosanna" - See Mt. 21:9; Mk. 11:9 and Jn. 12:13 [not in Luke's account]
  - a. Literally: Save now!
  - b. They supposed that the Kingdom of God was going to appear immediately - see Luke 19:11
  - c. They had selfish desires concerning their sovereign director

### **DO WE SELFISHLY CELEBRATE KING JESUS?**

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### III. **SOME COMPLAINED** (39-40)

#### A. THE PHARISEE'S ATTITUDE (39)

1. Demanding
  - a. They command Jesus to rebuke His disciples
  - b. They seek to tell the King what to do ... refusing, in fact, to acknowledge Him as King.
2. Displeased
  - a. They had not orchestrated or approved of this parade
  - b. They fear losing their place of prominence with the Romans - John 11:47-48
  - c. They realize and fear that Jesus is more popular than they - See John 12:19
3. Disturbed: They fear the Romans won't like Jews shouting about a king
4. Disconnected: Amid the crowd but complaining rather than celebrating

#### B. JESUS' ANSWER (40)

1. This celebration is inevitable: If they don't shout the rocks will!
2. This celebration is acceptable: Jesus was the Messiah and all should know that

### **DO WE CRITICALLY COMPLAIN ABOUT KING JESUS?**

### IV. **CHRIST'S CONCERNS** (41-44)

#### **- The reaction of royalty**

#### A. WHAT IS HIDDEN (41-42)

1. The Potential: The City of Peace (Jeru-Shalom) could have known true peace
  - Penitence, repentance, tenderness and conversion were presented but rejected
2. The Problem
  - a. They did not perceive their spiritual needs - John 1:5
  - b. They focused solely on the political and saw an earthly deliverer and nothing more!

#### B. WHAT WILL HAPPEN (43-44a)

- Fierce invasion and complete devastation

#### C. WHAT IS HORRIBLE (44b)

- Most ignored the season of grace when God drew near - John 1:11-12

### **DO WE HEAR THE COMPASSIONATE CRY OF KING JESUS?**

### **CONCLUSION: How do you respond to King Jesus?**

- Faithful cooperators, fickle celebrators, feisty complainers or thoughtful confessors

### **Consider I Timothy 6:12-16**