

The Mind is willing...



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- The Cross is near
- Jesus knows they seek to kill Him
- He knows what He has to do
- He is heading to Jerusalem
- Nothing will change His mind



# Divine Appointments En Route

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- Jericho and Zaccheus
- A Story along the way
- A Divine Directive
  - "Go into that village over there," He told them.

    "As you enter it, you will see a young donkey tied there that no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks, 'Why are you untying that colt?' just say, 'The Lord needs it." (Luke 19)



Focused



- Focused
- Determined



- Focused
- Determined
- Desiring to accomplish Father's will



### Luke 19

 "So they went and found the colt, just as Jesus had said. And sure enough, as they were untying it, the owners asked them, "Why are you untying that colt?" And the disciples simply replied, "The Lord needs it." So they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their garments over it for him to ride on."



Fulfillment of Scripture



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- A crowd gathers
- They begin to worship...



#### Luke 19

 As he rode along, the crowds spread out their garments on the road ahead of Him. When He reached the place where the road started down the Mount of Olives, all of His followers began to shout and sing as they walked along, praising God for all the wonderful miracles they had seen. "Blessings on the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven, and glory in highest heaven!"



### Luke 19

 "But some of the Pharisees among the crowd said, "Teacher, rebuke your followers for saying things like that!" He replied, "If they kept quiet, the stones along the road would burst into cheers!"



Finally, acknowledgment!



- Finally, acknowledgment!
- Finally, things are as they should be



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- Finally, things are as they should be
- Finally, the honor is given



And yet...



- And yet...
- Jesus knows their hearts
  - "But as he came closer to Jerusalem and saw the city ahead, He began to weep. "How I wish today that you of all people would understand the way to peace. But now it is too late, and peace is hidden from your eyes..."



Body and Mind



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- The Love of Christ carries Him across the threshold to the Cross



- For the Body
  - Such incredible agony is ahead



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- For the Mind
  - The sin of the world awaits



- For the Body
  - Such incredible agony is ahead
- For the Mind
  - The sin of the world awaits
- And yet, the Love wins out



# The Power of Palm Sunday

The Mind is willing



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- The Mind is willing
- The Body will be weakened



# The Power of Palm Sunday

- The Mind is willing
- The Body will be weakened
- And yet, Love compels and commands



# The Body of Christ

- Must always be yielded to the Mind of Christ
  - Seeking
  - Listening
  - Immediately giving way to...



## The Body yielded to the Mind

Power and Presence of the Love of Christ



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- Power and Presence of the Love of Christ
- Power and Presence of the Purpose of Christ
  - Glorifying God the Father



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  - Doing His will



### The Body yielded to the Mind

- Power and Presence of the Love of Christ
- Power and Presence of the Purpose of Christ
  - Glorifying God the Father
  - Doing His will
  - Resulting in redemption and restoration
    - Regardless of the situation
    - Regardless of the odds
    - Regardless of what the world thinks



Think of all that Jesus endures



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- Think of why we are called to be part of a Body



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- Pray we always seek and obey Mind of Christ



- Think of all that Jesus endures
- Think of why we are called to be part of a Body
- Pray we always seek and obey Mind of Christ
- Let the Love of Christ overflow in your life



That seeks the Mind of Christ



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- Experiences what Jesus knew
  - Pain and suffering



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  - Trials and Tribulation



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  - Exquisite joy in serving the Father



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- Experiences what Jesus knew
  - Pain and suffering
  - Trials and Tribulation
  - Exquisite joy in serving the Father
  - The Love of Christ revealed