

Silver Creek Fellowship NOTES

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THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

THE KING WE NEEDED, NOT THE KIND WE WANTED

John 11:45-48 (NIV) ⁴⁵ "Therefore many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him. ⁴⁶ But some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. ⁴⁷ Then the chief priests and the Pharisees called a meeting of the Sanhedrin. "What are we accomplishing?" they asked. "Here is this man performing many signs. ⁴⁸ If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and then the Romans will come and take away both our temple and our nation."

John 11:50 "You do not realize that it is better for you that one man die for the people than that the whole nation perish."

SCENE 1: _____ (THE KING OF PEACE)

Matthew 21:1-11 (NIV) Jesus Comes to Jerusalem as King "As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ² 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. ³ If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away."⁴ This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: ⁵ "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.'" ⁶ The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹ 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!" ¹⁰ When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" ¹¹ The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

Zechariah 9:9-10 (NIV) The Coming of Zion's King "Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. ¹⁰ I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the war-horses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth."

Zechariah 9:16-17 (NIV) ¹⁶ "The Lord their God will save his people on that day as a shepherd saves his flock. They will sparkle in his land like jewels in a crown. ¹⁷ How attractive and beautiful they will be! Grain will make the young men thrive, and new wine the young women."

SCENE 2: _____ (THE GLOBAL KING)

Matthew 21:12-17 (NIV) "Jesus entered the temple courts and drove out all who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves. ¹³ 'It is written,' he said to them, 'My house will be called a house of prayer,' but you are making it 'a den of robbers.'" ¹⁴ The blind and the lame came to him at the temple, and he healed them. But when the chief priests and the teachers of the law saw the wonderful things he did and the children shouting in the temple courts, "Hosanna to the Son of David," they were indignant. ¹⁶ "Do you hear what these children are saying?" they asked him. "Yes," replied Jesus, "have you never read, "From the lips of children and infants you, Lord, have called forth your praise"?' ¹⁷ And he left them and went out of the city to Bethany, where he spent the night."

Genesis 12:2-3: "I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses

you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you.

Matthew 28:19 (NIV) 19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

Isaiah 56:1-3a,6-8 (NIV) Salvation for Others "This is what the Lord says: 'Maintain justice and do what is right, for my salvation is close at hand and my righteousness will soon be revealed. ²Blessed is the one who does this— the person who holds it fast, who keeps the Sabbath without desecrating it, and keeps their hands from doing any evil. ³Let no foreigner who is bound to the Lord say, "The Lord will surely exclude me from his people." . . . ⁶And foreigners who bind themselves to the Lord to minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all who keep the Sabbath without desecrating it and who hold fast to my covenant—⁷these I will bring to my holy mountain and give them joy in my house of prayer. Their burnt offerings and sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house will be called a house of prayer for all nations. ⁸The Sovereign Lord declares—he who gathers the exiles of Israel: "I will gather still others to them besides those already gathered."

Ephesians 2:11-22 (NIV) Jew and Gentile Reconciled Through Christ ¹¹"Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called 'uncircumcised' by those who call themselves 'the circumcision' (which is done in the body by human hands)— ¹²remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world. ¹³But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ. ¹⁴For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility, ¹⁵by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility. ¹⁷He came and preached peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near. ¹⁸For through him we both have access to the Father by one Spirit. ¹⁹Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, ²⁰built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. ²¹In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. ²²And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his spirit."

Isaiah 35:5-6a "Then will the eyes of the blind be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped. 6 Then will the lame leap like a deer,"

Psalm 8

SCENE 3: _____ (THE EXPECTANT KING)

Matthew 21:18-22 (NIV) ¹⁸"Early in the morning, as Jesus was on his way back to the city, he was hungry. ¹⁹Seeing a fig tree by the road, he went up to it but found nothing on it except leaves. Then he said to it, 'May you never bear fruit again!' Immediately the tree withered. ²⁰When the disciples saw this, they were amazed. 'How did the fig tree wither so quickly?' they asked. ²¹Jesus replied, 'Truly I tell you, if you have faith and do not doubt, not only can you do what was done to the fig tree, but also you can say to this mountain, "Go, throw yourself into the sea," and it will be done. ²²If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer.'"

Revelation 19:11-16

HOW DO WE RESPOND TO THIS KING TODAY?

1. _____ **the Amnesty:** Don't wait for the White Horse. If you try to fight Him, then you will lose.
2. _____ **Prayer:** He cleared the temple to make room for prayer. Let's make our lives and our church a "House of Prayer for all nations."
3. _____ **Fruit:** Don't be a leafy tree with no figs. Don't just have the "show" of Christianity without the fruit of obedience.

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