

Sunday, April 2, 2023 ~ Palm Sunday



“Are We There Yet?”
John 12:12-19

How do you respond when someone asks you, “Are we there yet?”

Palm Sunday, the “Triumphal Entry” signals a turning point in Jesus’ ministry. It is the time when Jesus steps out of the shadows, into full public view and acknowledges the acclaims of the crowds- and invokes the anger of the religious leaders

John, in his gospel charts Jesus’ journey from the beginning of eternity (read *John 1:14*), with Palm Sunday, and the events of this week as just one chapter in Jesus’ existence. It is a time when the disciples who originally followed Jesus, (*John 1:35-39*) will be tested to see how far they, and we will follow him.

Read *John 12:12-15*- How would you have responded on this day with the crowd that was there? _____

Following Jesus changes my life’s _____

Read *John 1:35-39*

Would I have followed Jesus as quickly as the original disciples did? What would have been a part of my decision process to make a change in loyalty from John the Baptist to Jesus?

What other people/ things in my life hold greater loyalty than Jesus?

Following Jesus changes my life’s _____.

Read *Matthew 4:18-22*.

In what ways are Jesus’ priorities the same/ different than my priorities?

From your knowledge of the gospels, what priorities did Jesus have in his life? _____

Read *Matthew 5:1-48*. Highlight the priorities Jesus has for his kingdom and his people.

Following Jesus changes my life’s _____

Read *John 12:23-26*.

What do I consider to be the “last stop” of my life’s journey? Why do I answer this way?

Where am I today on my journey with Jesus?

This week

Have I made Jesus’ journey my life’s journey? What needs to change for me?

How can I be involved in changing someone else’s journey?

Next Week: He Is Risen! “Easter Sunday”- “Will Your Grave Be Empty?”