

April 12-13, 2025

Title: Easter: ‘Who Will Deliver Me’, Pt 1- “ The King is here” — John 12:9-19

Main Idea: Jesus is the King of Deliverance, and he requires a response

Our Response: We must see him for who he is, and worship him with our lives

Read John 12:9-19 and pray.

What in the message stood out to you?

What questions do you have?

Before this weekend what was the first thing that would come to mind when you would think about Palm Sunday?

Pharisees:

Read John 11:45-53 and John 12:9-10. How do you see God working even through the Pharisees fear and betrayal?

How did the pharisees view Jesus, what made them view him that way?

What ways do you focus on/value your status or position on earth more than Christ? How does that impact the people around you?

What does trying to “earn you salvation” look like for you? Why is it so easy to slip into this mindset?

Crowds:

Read Psalm 118:14-25. What in this Psalm points to Jesus?

What are some unspoken expectations you have put on Jesus? How has he delivered in ways better than you could have expected?

What are we tempted to seek for deliverance? How is that a cheap imitation compared to Christ?

Jesus:

What is the first thing that comes to mind when you think of Christ? What do you believe should be first to come to mind?

How have you seen Gods power displayed in your life? How have you experienced his humility?

Read John 13:1-17. What can we learn from Jesus’s example of leadership? How is this servant leadership challenging to live out?

Read Revelation 7:9-12. What similarities are there between this story and John 12? How often do you think of Jesus’s second coming? Why is it important to anticipate his return?

What can you do to make sure your view of Christ is in line with the Bibles description? Why is that even important?

How does Jesus offer a real answer to the question, “who will deliver me?” How can we be impacted by that truth practically?

“Next Steps” Takeaways - Discuss and pray through the following:

With God:

- This week read John 13-17
 - Make a list of attributes and actions of Jesus
 - Spend time in prayer, praising him for who he is.

With Others:

- Ask a close friend or family member to identify which of these pitfalls you frequently fall into
 - Too focused on earthly role or status, trying to earn your salvation, or putting your expectations on who Jesus is “supposed” to be
 - Ask them to call you out when they see you slipping into that

On Mission:

- Identify one person who doesn’t know Christ in your life, figure out how you can intentionally try to demonstrate Jesus’s love to them this week