

# SPRING QUARTER SUNDAY SCHOOL 2015

## THEME: THE PRESENCE, POWER AND PROPERTIES OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

### Unit I – HIS PRESENCE

## “THE ARRIVAL OF MESSIAH...THE KING HAS COME”



**Sunday School Lesson V – March 29, 2015**

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**Lesson Text:** Mark 11:1-11

**Required Reading:** Matthew 21:1-20; Luke 9:28-49

**Motto Text:** Mark 11:9, *“And they that went before, and they that followed, cried, saying, Hosanna; Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.”*

**Reliable Resources:** Union Gospel Press Expositor and Illuminator; Precepts for Living (UMI); Word-Search 10 Electronic Library System; MacArthur Study Bible; Spiritual Warfare by Dr. David Jeremiah; The Outline Bible by H. L. Willmington; Barnes Notes on the New Testament

### Introduction

The lesson this week pictures Jesus, led of the Holy Spirit, using the prophecy of Zechariah 9:9 to demonstrate and declare by His actions that He is the long awaited Messiah. The fulfillment of the scripture and His presence testify that His coming was not about mere popularity, but Divine fulfillment. It teaches that we, like Jesus, must learn to stand against sin and for the will of God’s scriptures.

As one reads Zechariah 9:9, we are led to teach the lesson this week in Mark 11:1-11. Mark presents the narrative of Jesus’ entrance and presentation as Messiah in an orderly way. After healing blind man Bartimaeus, he traveled about 16 miles to Bethany where He spent the weekly Sabbath with Mary, Martha and Lazarus. Early the next morning He sent two of His disciples to Bethphage (*house of figs*) to borrow a young donkey on which no one had ever ridden.

Now my outline begins with my **Anticipated Power Points:**

- **Arrangements for the King. Mark 11:1-6**
- **Activity Fit for the King. Mark 11:7-8**
- **Acclaim and Fame of the King. Mark 11:9-11**

## LESSON OUTLINE

### I. Arrangements for the King. Mark 11:1-6

#### **A. Preparing for a prophetic entry. vs. 1-3**

As Jesus and His disciples approached the area, Jesus knew that the hour had come. The miracles, healings, and wonders were now to give way to His presenting Himself as the *“Lamb of God,”* who would take away the sin of the world. The event of the fulfilling of Zechariah 9:9 was highlighted in all of the gospel writings (Matt. 21:4-9; Luke 19:35-38, and John 12:12-16.) Note simply the omniscience exemplified through Jesus’ foreknowledge foretold to the two disciples. Note: *“say ye that the Lord hath need of him.”* Beloved, what is our response to such?

#### **B. Prophetic power of the Lord evidenced. vs. 4-6**

A preacher wrote the following: “In fulfilling this prophecy, Jesus accomplished two purposes: (1) He declared Himself to be Israel’s King and Messiah; and (2) He deliberately challenged the religious leaders. This set in motion the official plot that led to His arrest, trial and crucifixion. The Jewish leaders had decided not to arrest Him during the feast, but God had determined otherwise. The Lamb of God must die at Passover.” Jesus was literally in every way seeking to fulfill all of God’s Word. Remember Matthew 5:18, *“For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled.”*

### II. Activity Fit for the King. Mark 11:7-8

#### **A. A beast of blessing. (A donkey).**

The donkey became a beast of blessing. Historically, this beast has been used to signify greatness, royalty and peace. (Read Judges 5:10; 10:4; 12:14; II Samuel 16:1-2). Jesus riding the donkey was a sign that He entered the city in peace and as the Prince of Peace. Truly He came to fulfill the scriptures in Zechariah 9:9-10. The spreading of garments and palm branches further dignify the person of the Lord historically and prophetically.

#### **B. The boast of the blessers. vs. 8**

“The palm tree was a symbol of victory. The Romans carried palm leaves during their victory processions. Each day of the feast of Tabernacles, a Jewish holiday that commemorates the harvest and God’s protection in the wilderness after the Jews escaped bondage in Egypt, participants wave palms and shout, ‘Hosanna.’” Jesus’ disciples even used their clothes to make a saddle on which the Lord could sit and they made His path smooth.

### III. Acclaim and Fame of the King. Mark 11:9-11

The divine stage was set because the Lord’s hour had surely come! Now note the actions of the disciples and the multitudes concerning Jesus. Before and behind there was a word of praise, *“Hosanna, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.”* “Hosanna” (“Save now,” “Help, I pray.”) Not only this, but the people eulogized His name from Psalm 118:25. There was a great need to lift praise and worship to the name of the Most High Lord and Saviour. No one but Him could do what the people needed. The people seeing Him on the donkey left no question as to who He was. (Zechariah 9:9 fulfilled!)

In verse 10, Jesus is lifted to the highest degree when the people cried, *“Hosanna in the Highest!”* This placed Jesus at the level of Messiah and equal to the worship of Jehovah. And beloved, He is equal in every way to the Father, and worthy to be praised.

In verse 11, after Christ arrived at the Temple as was His custom, He went in, looked around, and called it a day, retiring to Bethany. But one day He will sit on the Throne as the “Worthy Lamb.” One who, according to Revelation, will receive power and riches and wisdom and strength and glory and blessing! But until that day, He returned to Bethany to reside with His friends, because there was still suffering, a cross, death, and resurrection before Him!

### CLOSING

He is the King of Glory and all blessings be unto Him!

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**Looking Ahead:**

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**I Corinthians 15:22**

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