



*Go for God!*

## “CELEBRATE 25 YEARS – HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST!”

> MATTHEW Chapter 21:1-17

- Let's observe four key events of Jesus TRIUMPHAL ENTRY into Jerusalem:

(1) Zechariah prophesied the coming King 500 years earlier (Zechariah 9:9).

(2) We see the people spreading their garments on the ground in front of Jesus; this symbolized their respect and submission to His authority.

(3) Others placed palm branches (Jn. 12:13) in front of Him representing salvation and joy; in fact in Revelation 7:9,10 we read, After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

(4) We also hear the multitudes crying out (v9) “Hosanna” which means “Save now!”

> God's Word is 100% Accurate and True!

- Let's learn from the Prophet Daniel Ch. 9:20-27 – There are SEVENTY WEEKS (Weeks in Hebrew is *shabua* this word speaks of a seven-year period, 70 “7's” = 490 years) determined upon the nation of Israel.

- In verse 25 the prophetic COMMAND was given to Nehemiah on March 14<sup>th</sup> 445 B.C. (ref. Nehemiah Ch. 2:1-8) to restore and build Jerusalem.

- Daniel also tells us in verse 25 that the Messiah will be CUT OFF at the end of 7 weeks plus the 62 weeks (7+62 = 69 weeks (7's), 69 x 7 = 483 years, which calculates to 173,880 days.

- When you add the 173,880 days to March 14<sup>th</sup> 445 B.C. WHEN THE COMMAND IS GIVEN (using the 360-day Babylonian Calendar; Israel and Daniel were being held captive by the Babylonians) this will put us at April 6<sup>th</sup> 32 A.D.

- This is the DAY when Jesus rides into Jerusalem on a foal of a donkey and the people hail Him as King and Messiah, but He is CUT OFF (crucified) a five days later. Once again, we can trust the Word of God!

## “Blueprint for Blessings!”

ACTS Chapter 2:41-47

> Eight Disciplines for a blessed life and church:

> Discipline #1 – STUDY “the apostles doctrine” (v42a)

– Dr. Paul Enns author of the Moody Bible Handbook of Theology writes, “God gave the Scriptures for the purpose of teaching people and bringing them to maturity (2 Tim. 3:16-17). Teaching is the antidote to false doctrine (1 Tim. 1:3); it produces love among believers (1Tim. 1:5); it provides spiritual nourishment (1 Tim. 4:6); godliness (1 Tim. 4:6-16); submission (1 Tim. 5:17; 6:2); and a proper focus on life (1 Tim. 6:17). Paul instructed Timothy to teach others in order to reproduce (2 Tim. 2:2).”

> **Discipline #2 – FELLOWSHIP with believers (v42b)**

– The word fellowship is *Koinonoia* which is the sharing of common thoughts and interest for that which pertains to Jesus Christ and His church. Hebrews 10:24-25 - *And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.*

> “ONE ANOTHER” Christians will:

- a) Confess your sins to one another (James 5:16)
- b) Forgive one another (Colossians 3:13)
- c) Instruct one another (Colossians 3:16)
- d) Bear with one another (Galatians 6:2)
- e) Rebuke one another (Titus 1:13)
- f) Comfort one another (1 Thessalonians 4:18)
- g) Encourage one another to do good (Hebrews 10:24-25)
- h) Edify one another (Romans 14:19)
- i) Counsel one another (Romans 15:14)
- j) Submit to one another (Ephesians 5:21)

> **Discipline #3 – PRAYER (v42c)**

- **Philippians 1:9-11** - *And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.*

**1 Thessalonians 5:16-18** - *Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you..*

> **Discipline #4 – GIVING**

– **“they had all things in common and shared with one another” (v44-45) - 2 Corinthians 9:6-9** - *But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all things, may have abundance for every good work. As it is written: "He has dispersed abroad, He has given to the poor; His righteousness endures forever."*

> **Discipline #5 – UNITY**

– **“of one accord” (v46) - Philippians 2:1-4** - *Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and mercy, fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself. Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.*

> **Discipline #6 – PRAISE (v47a)**

- **Hebrews 13:15-16** - *Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name. But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.*

**1 Peter 2:9-10** - *But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.*

> **Discipline #7 – FAVOR**

– *“having favor with all the people” (v47b) - Colossians 3:23-25 -And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for\* you serve the Lord Christ.*

> **Discipline #8 – SOUL-WINNING**

– *“And the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved.” (v47c) – People to evangelize: FAMILY evangelism!*

FRIENDSHIP evangelism!

FOREIGN evangelism!

FOE evangelism!

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