

“A Day Like No Other Day”
Luke 19:28-44
3/24/24
Passion Week Message 1

Introduction

- Title Of The Message: “A Day Like No Other Day”

- **A Special Day**

- **Have you ever had a Day**

- That was so special so wonderful that you wish you could capture that time and hold onto to it forever?

- Examples

- The day you got saved
 - Your wedding Day
 - Honeymoon
 - Birth of your child
 - Special Trip

- Jim Croce Did –

- He wrote a song on the day he found out he was going to be a father
 - That Song - Time In A Bottle
 - If I could save time in a bottle
 - The first thing that I'd like to do
 - Is to save every day
 - 'Til eternity passes away
 - Just to spend them with you

- If I could make days last forever
 - If words could make wishes come true
 - I'd save every day like a treasure and then
 - Again, I would spend them with you
- Illustration – Time with Judy
 - Now every day since we have been together has been amazing
 - But Just last month Judy and I had one of those days
 - A couple of days I wish could have lasted a lot longer
- **Our Text this morning is about - A Day Like No Other Day**
 - A Day
 - That changed the worlds history and ours!
 - So special that we will remember it forever
 - As a matter of fact this DAY began - The MOST AMAZING week
 - The week that God would redeem mankind
 - To offer salvation to ALL who would come!
- **We call it "Passion Week" of Christ**
 - Passion Week is the time from
 - Palm Sunday through Resurrection Sunday
 - Why do we call it the "Passion Week"?
 - Simple - We are His Passion

○ **We Saw during the Week –**

▪ **Jesus'**

- The Triumphal Entry on Palm Sunday (Which would be Today)
- Cleansing the temple for the Second Time
- Giving His Olivet Discourse on the End Times
- Last Supper with His disciples
- Arrest and trials before the chief priests, Pilate, and Herod
- Scourging / beating at the hands of the Roman soldiers
- Crucifixion
- Death and Burial, and Resurrection

▪ **In This Week...**

- His LOVE Shined down from the Cross
- His Resurrection GAVE us victory
- Sin and Death were CONQUERED
- REDEMPTION For Our Souls took place
- Death - DIED
- WE Became Children of God
- Can you say - The Best Week EVER

○ **During Passion Week - it is GOOD To Stop and REFLECT**

- 1st Remember what Our Lord Jesus went through - All FOR US
- 2nd We Should Grow in our LOVE for HIM
- 3rd More in love with EACH other
- 4th More committed to share the Gospel!

• **Now This Morning – A Day Like NO Other Day**

- **We will look at 2 Main Points this Morning**
 - Circumstance Of His Triumphal Entry vs. 28-40
 - Concern For Those Who Rejected Him vs. 41-44

Circumstance Of His Triumphal Entry vs. 28-40

• **First: The Riding Of A Colt vs. 28-34**

- **1st Context**
 - 1st When He had said this... v. 28a

Luke 19:28 (NKJV)

28 When He had said this, He went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

- Said What...?
 - After Zacchaeus
 - The Parable of the Minas
- Which are ALL About Salvation
 - The Salvation of Zacchaeus
 - The Need for us to be Using the Minas (Salvation Message) He has given us
- 2nd He went ahead, going up to Jerusalem v. 28b

Luke 19:28 (NKJV)

28 When He had said this, He went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.

- **Going To Jerusalem**

- In Doing So He showed

- **1st Sovereignty**

- Jesus KNEW what was ahead of Him –

- YET HE WENT!!!

- **2nd – Showed His 2 Comings**

- His First Coming - The Cross

- Reconcile our Hearts to God
(Salvation)

- His Second Coming - To Rule & Reign

- He is Coming back soon

- **3rd His Face was fixed NOTHING Will STOP Him**

- Knowing full well what awaited Him

- Knowing that He must endure the cross before receiving the kingdom, Jesus went.

- In His suffering, we should admire, not pity Jesus.

- He knew exactly what was before Him

- He had you on His mind!

- **Application - Fix your eyes on heaven**

- Nothing Would stop Jesus from Dying for our Sins

- He loves us so much that He willing did all this for us

- We should live for HIM

- Put Your God Blinder on and

- Set your Face to Heaven

- Set your face in doing His will

- *Pastor Mike Warren; “The Heart of the True Believer is already in the Kingdom of Heaven, We have already put that waypoint on our compasses and we are moving in that direction, we’re forgetting those things which are behind and we’re pressing on – we know that when we started this journey it had a destination and our hearts are already there, we’re just waiting for our bodies to catch up”*

- **2nd The Instructions vs. 29-34**

Luke 19:29–34 (NKJV)

29 And it came to pass, when He drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mountain called Olivet, that He sent two of His disciples,

30 saying, “*Go into the village opposite you, where as you enter you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Loose it and bring it here.*”

31 *And if anyone asks you, ‘Why are you loosing it?’ thus you shall say to him, ‘Because the Lord has need of it.’ ”*

32 So those who were sent went their way and found it just as He had said to them.

33 But as they were loosing the colt, the owners of it said to them, “Why are you loosing the colt?”

34 And they said, “The Lord has need of him.”

- **1st Location**

- **Show Pictures**

- **2nd The Instructions**

- Go into the village Opposite you
 - Where as you enter you will find a colt tied:
 - You will find a colt tied, on which NO ONE has ever sat
 - If ANYONE ASKS The Lord has need of him
 - All of this REALLY SHOWS that the LORD is in COMPLETE control

- **3rd The Information - We Learn about the Sovereignty of God**

- **We Learn 3 Things**

- **1st Resulted In Fulfilled Prophecy**

- Matthew's account gives this detail about this prophecy

Matthew 21:4–5 (NKJV)

4 All this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying:

5 “Tell the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your King is coming to you, Lowly, and sitting on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.’ ”

- This was a prophecy of the Messiah in Zechariah 9
- That was given centuries before...and now here He comes

Zechariah 9:9 (NKJV)

9 “Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.

- Fulfilled Prophecy
 - That's what sets Jesus Apart & The Bible Apart
 - The Reliability - The Bible is the WORD of God!!!
 - Prophecies Concerning Christ
 - Over 300 prophecies about Jesus in the OT
 - Centuries before He appeared
 - Promises were given concerning Him,
 - **Micah 5** - Told us where He would be born
 - In Bethlehem - written over 700 years before the event!
 - **Isaiah 7** - Way He would be born
 - Of virgin over 600 years
 - **Daniel 9** - How He came into the Jerusalem –
 - Over 500 years to the day, before it happened (More on this in a Minute)
 - **Zechariah 11** - Betrayed by a friend and sold for 30 pieces of silver
 - Not 28 or 13 but 30 and that the silver would be cast down on floor in temple - used to buy a potter s fields over 400 years before birth
 - **Psalms 22** - What Kind of death he would die –

- Over 900 years before it happened (Crucifixion)
- The Statistical possibility that 8 prophecies could be fulfilled by one person?
 - In his excellent book, 'science speaks - author Peter Stoner works it out and says possibilities 1/10 to the 27th power
 - *Cover the entire state of Texas two feet deep in silver dollars. Choose and "mark" one silver dollar and drop it from an airplane flying somewhere over Texas. Thoroughly "stir" the silver dollars all over the state. Blindfold a person and let them travel anywhere in the state, stopping only "once" at a spot of his choice to dig into the two feet of silver dollars and pick out the "marked" one. The chance of a person being able to do that in "one" try is the same chance as one man fulfilling ONLY "eight" Messianic prophecies. Professor Stoner concluded, "The fulfillment of these eight prophecies alone proves that God inspired the writing of those prophecies to a definiteness which lacks only one chance in ten to the seventeenth power of being absolute".*
 - The Bible is TOTALLY SUPERNATURAL

▪ **2nd Reinforced That He Was In Control**

- **1st His Omniscience Displayed**
 - When He sent His disciples to get the colt...
 - He KNEW EVERYTHING that would happen
 - We've seen a few times where Jesus did this

- John 1:43-51 Saw Nathanael

John 1:50 (NKJV)

50 Jesus answered and said to him, *“Because I said to you, ‘I saw you under the fig tree,’ do you believe? You will see greater things than these.”*

- **2nd His Omnipotence Displayed**

- Shown By His ability to Sit on a Wild Donkey
 - What happens when you sit on a horse or donkey that has never been ridden...
 - They Usually they don't like it
- But what happens when the Creator sits on a colt that's never been ridden...
 - The Triumphal Entry

- **3rd Reflected His Humility**

- **Zech. 9:9 says the King comes –**
 - "Lowly and riding on a donkey"
- **Kings DON'T ride on donkeys**
 - They ride on beautiful horses
 - This is not a normal procession of a King
 - This would definitely be a strange and humble thing to see
- **Jesus never wants us to forget that He came Humbly**
 - The First Time = Cross
 - Our Lord left the glories of heaven

- Philippians 2

- The Second Time = Horse Judgment

- **Application**

- From His Humility
- Phil 2

- **Second: The Rejoicing Of The Multitude vs. 35-38**

Luke 19:35–38 (NKJV)

35 *Then they brought him to Jesus. And they threw their own clothes on the colt, and they set Jesus on him.*

36 *And as He went, many spread their clothes on the road.*

37 *Then, as He was now drawing near the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works they had seen,*

38 *saying: ‘Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the LORD!’ Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”*

- **1st Context**

- **They took their Clothes and Palm branches and spread them on the road**

- Clothes – Honor
- Branches – Honor
 - Matthew 21:8 - Also “branches”
 - Mark 11:8 - “Cut down leafy branches from the trees and spread them on the road”
 - John 12:13 - Palm Branches

- **Why was this special**

- It was a sign of honor

- It indicates that people are recognizing that Jesus is King
- That they are willing to SERVE Him
- **2nd Now why are they HONORING JESUS?**
 - **1st His Miracles v. 37**

Luke 19:37 (NKJV)

37 *Then, as He was now drawing near the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice **for all the mighty works they had seen,***

- You know what happened the previous weekend
 - John Tells us
 - There was a celebration in Bethany
 - There was a supper...at the home of Mary and Martha
 - And guess who was there...Lazarus
 - The miracle that has turned this crowd on is the resurrection of Lazarus from the dead
 - That was one of the reasons for their praise

▪ **2nd His Messiahship / The Lamb Of God v. 38**

Luke 19:38 (NKJV)

38 *saying: “**‘Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the LORD!’**
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!’”*

- Now what’s going on here is really interesting when you know the Jewish background
 - Matthew records that they cried out:

Matthew 21:9 (NKJV)

9 Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: "Hosanna to the Son of David! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!' Hosanna in the highest!"

- Mark records they said:

Mark 11:9–10 (NKJV)

9 Then those who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: "Hosanna! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!'

10 Blessed is the kingdom of our father David That comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!"

- **That word "Hosanna" means "SAVE NOW"**

- This comes from a section of Scripture known as the Hallel
 - (A short form of Hallelujah)
 - It's from the praise section of Psalms 113-118
- Interestingly the Hallel is recited at Passover
 - Jesus may have song these with His Disciples

- **Psalm 118:19-29**

- The whole context of Psalm 118 is fascinating as it relates to the Triumphal Entry
 - Here is the Messiah...there's no doubt about it...this is Him!

Psalm 118:19–23 (NKJV)

19 Open to me the gates of righteousness; I will go through them, And I will praise the LORD.

20 This is the gate of the LORD, Through which the righteous shall enter.

21 *I will praise You, For You have answered me, And have become my salvation.*

22 *The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone.*

23 *This was the LORD's doing; It is marvelous in our eyes.*

- Chief Corner Stone - You may recognize verses 22-23...

- Quoted in Matthew 21 & 1 Peter 2
- A very clear reference made about Jesus
- Jesus is the Chief Cornerstone who was rejected

- The death of Jesus

- This DAY

Psalm 118:24 (NKJV)

24 *This is the day the LORD has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it.*

- Now a lot of us quoted this verse
 - When we wake up and we see that it's a beautiful day or something
- This verse is Prophetic
 - The context...
 - Its talking about the day of salvation...
 - The VERY Day He entered Jerusalem
- The Big Picture
 - Jesus is our Passover Lamb
 - Turn to Exodus 12

Exodus 12:1–11 (NKJV)

- 1** Now the LORD spoke to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt, saying,
2 “This month shall be your beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year to you.
3 Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying: ‘On the tenth of this month every man shall take for himself a lamb, according to the house of his father, a lamb for a household.
4 And if the household is too small for the lamb, let him and his neighbor next to his house take it according to the number of the persons; according to each man’s need you shall make your count for the lamb.
5 Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats.
6 Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight.
7 And they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses where they eat it.
8 Then they shall eat the flesh on that night; roasted in fire, with unleavened bread and with bitter herbs they shall eat it.
9 Do not eat it raw, nor boiled at all with water, but roasted in fire—its head with its legs and its entrails.
10 You shall let none of it remain until morning, and what remains of it until morning you shall burn with fire.
11 And thus you shall eat it: with a belt on your waist, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. So you shall eat it in haste. It is the LORD’s Passover.

▪ Context to the Passover Lamb

- 10 Plagues
- Pharaoh’s Heart
- The 10th Plague – Angle of Death
- All first born would Die
- Except those that had the lamb’s blood on their door post

▪ JESUS is our Passover Lamb

- What took place on this VERY day
- Jesus the Lamb of God came into Jerusalem
- On the VERY day all the Lambs that would be used are presented to be inspected
- Jewish Passover
 - A lamb had to be chosen and brought into the house four days before Passover.
 - Four days before His death on the cross on the eve of Passover, Jesus came into Jerusalem on a donkey
 - Without Blemish: The lamb had to be without blemish. Without cuts, bruises, or deformities. Jesus was without blemish. He was sinless. (Exodus 12:5, 1 Peter 1:18-19)
 - One year: The lamb had to be one year old, in the prime of his life. Jesus was in the prime of His life when He was sacrificed as a young man, 33 years old. (Exodus 12:5)
 - Male: The lamb had to be a male. Jesus came to earth as a man. (Exodus 12:5)
- Catch this! –
 - This is On Nissan 10th

- Jesus is presenting Himself as the Lamb of God
- He will be inspected 4 days
- On Nissan 14th
 - Jesus was crucified at the same time as the Passover lambs
 - A Thursday NOT Friday

- **Lets continue on Palm 118**

Psalm 118:25–29 (NKJV)

25 Save now, I pray, O LORD; O LORD, I pray, send now prosperity.

26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We have blessed you from the house of the LORD.

27 God is the LORD, And He has given us light; Bind the sacrifice with cords to the horns of the altar.

28 You are my God, and I will praise You; You are my God, I will exalt You.

29 Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

- These last words are said at the end
 - So its interesting that the crowd which is preparing for Passover...
 - Is singing this to Jesus as He's coming into Jerusalem
 - This crowd...at least for the moment...is convinced that He's the Messiah

Third: The Reaction Of Some Pharisees v. 39

Luke 19:39 (NKJV)

39 And some of the Pharisees called to Him from the crowd, "Teacher, rebuke Your disciples."

- ***They are so astonished that He is allowing this to go on***
 - Jesus has Not Allowed Public Worship Until NOW
 - Jesus DOESN'T STOP IT

• ***Fourth: The Response Of Jesus v. 40***

Luke 19:40 (NKJV)

40 But He answered and said to them, "I tell you that if these should keep silent, the stones would immediately cry out."

- ***1st Almost to say... Without a doubt... I am what they say!***
 - If they don't say it...God would cause His creation to cry out
 - You guys are wrong...I am the Messiah!
- ***2nd Creation itself praising God may seem strange***
 - First Rock Concert In History
 - The Bible speaks about it in a few places
 - Trees, hills, oceans, rivers, mountains, valleys, cattle and creeping things, birds and fields all give praise to God (Psalms 148:7-13, Psalms 96:11-12).

Psalm 148:7–13 (NKJV)

***7 Praise the LORD from the earth, You great sea creatures and all the depths;
 8 Fire and hail, snow and clouds; Stormy wind, fulfilling His word;
 9 Mountains and all hills; Fruitful trees and all cedars;
 10 Beasts and all cattle; Creeping things and flying fowl;
 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples; Princes and all judges of the earth;
 12 Both young men and maidens; Old men and children.
 13 Let them praise the name of the LORD, For His name alone is exalted; His
 glory is above the earth and heaven.***

Psalm 96:11–12 (NKJV)

***11 Let the heavens rejoice, and let the earth be glad; Let the sea roar, and all
 its fullness;***

12 *Let the field be joyful, and all that is in it. Then all the trees of the woods will rejoice before the LORD.*

- Paul said that Creation is groaning
 - Longing for the day of Redemption when they can break forth into Praise!!!
- NOTE
 - Creation wants to & can't at this present time
 - People can but many don't want to!

Concern For Those Who Rejected Him vs. 41-44

• First: The Pain Jesus Felt v. 41

Luke 19:41 (NKJV)

41 Now as He drew near, He saw the city and wept over it,

○ **1st "Wept Over It" - Matt. 23:37-39**

▪ Wept Rendered 'Wailed'

- Jesus burst into sobbing as he lamented lost opportunity."

Matthew 23:37-39 (NKJV)

37 *"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the one who kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to her! How often I wanted to gather your children together, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing!*

38 *See! Your house is left to you desolate;*

39 *for I say to you, you shall see Me no more till you say, 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD!' "*

- Tears start to come out...
- Because He knows of their soon Rejection of Him and the impending Destruction that's coming

- Then He says, "...you shall see Me no more TILL you say, 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!'"
- Its obviously referring to a Future coming

• **Second: The Prophecy They Did Not Pay Attention To vs. 42, 44**

Luke 19:42 (NKJV)

42 saying, "If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things that make for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes.

Luke 19:44 (NKJV)

44 and level you, and your children within you, to the ground; and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not know the time of your visitation."

○ **1st Notice it Says**

- "If you had known, even you, especially in this your day..."

- In verse 44

- "Because you did not know the time of your visitation."

○ **2nd The OT told them When He was coming...**

- **WHEN He would come**

- They weren't paying attention, or perhaps, many ignored it

Daniel 9:24–25 (NKJV)

24 "Seventy weeks are determined For your people and for your holy city, To finish the transgression, To make an end of sins, To make reconciliation for iniquity, To bring in everlasting righteousness, To seal up vision and prophecy, And to anoint the Most Holy.

25 "Know therefore and understand, That from the going forth of the command To restore and build Jerusalem Until Messiah the Prince, There shall be seven

weeks and sixty-two weeks; The street shall be built again, and the wall, Even in troublesome times.

▪ **The Prophecy they should have known**

- "70 weeks are determined for Your People & for Your Holy City..."
- **1st Notice Who is this addressed to**
 - Jews / Israel (your people)
 - Jerusalem (your holy city)
- **2nd Note that 70 weeks are DETERMINED**
 - What is a week?
 - Now a week can be...
 - 7 Days
 - Or a period of 7 years. ("Heptad" a group up of seven)
 - Remember...
 - Genesis 29:27 Laban to Jacob / Leah, Rachel / fulfill her "Week" it was 7 years
 - Here in Daniel a week refers to a 7 year period
 - 70 weeks = 70 –
 - 7 year periods or a total of 490 years are determined for Israel
- **3rd This is not to be a MYSTERY**
 - V.25 Know Therefore & Understand

- This was not to be a MYSTERY
- So what are we to know & UNDERSTAND
 - From the going forth of the command to go & restore and rebuild Jerusalem until Messiah comes....
 - Shall be 7 weeks and 62 weeks = 69 Weeks
 - The Messiah would arrive at that time
 - They should have never missed it.
 - We know the date of the decree to rebuild Jerusalem
- **4th The Calculation**
 - We know the date of the decree to rebuild Jerusalem
 - British scholar, Sir Robert Anderson, showed that Jesus' triumphal entry was fulfilled on that very day
 - Did you bring a calculator today?
 - **King Artaxerxes gave the decree on March 14, 445 BC (Neh. 2)**
 - The Biblical Calendar uses a 360 day year
 - $69 \times 7 \times 360 = 173,880$ days
 - But, in 701 BC, Numa Pompilius, the 2nd king of Rome, changed all calendars to 365 days
 - So March 14th 445 BC to March 14th, 32 AD is 476 years

- (1 BC to 1 AD is one year. There is no year zero)
- 476 years x 365 days per year = 173,740 days
- Add leap years = 116 days
- March 14th to April 6th = 24 days
- Total = 173,880 days!
- That brings us to April 6th, 32 AD
 - That is the very day we are reading about here
 - The day Jesus road into Jerusalem
 - Thus fulfilling the Prophecies of Zech. & Daniel
 - THEY SHOULD HAVE KNOW
- 5th Note We STILL have One Week left for Israel (Tribulation Period)
 - Known as Jacob's Trial

• **Third: The Prediction Of Jerusalem's Destruction vs. 43-44**

Luke 19:43–44 (NKJV)

43 *For days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment around you, surround you and close you in on every side,*
44 *and level you, and your children within you, to the ground; and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not know the time of your visitation."*

- **1st He wept because He could see ahead some 37 ½ years later**

- City would be
 - Destroyed
 - The temple demolished
 - The people would be dispersed
 - He predicts their enemies building an embankment around them which
- This literally happened when the armies of Rome under Titus came in around 66 AD...
 - The city fell in 70 AD
 - Destroyed city
 - Titus did ordered to leave the TEMPLE standing
 - But a Fire broke out
 - In the fire gold melting
 - Greed to get the Gold / They tore it Down
 - Not One stone was left one another
- We know from the historian Josephus that the things Jesus said here...literally took place
 - Over 1 million people died
 - So He WEPT over the CONSEQUENCES of Israel having rejected Him

Closing

- All this was DONE for you and me!