

**Theme: THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM**

**Memory Verse:** *Matthew 21:5* “Tell ye the daughter of Sion, Behold, thy King cometh unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass, and a colt the foal of an ass”.

**Texts:** **Mathew 20:17-34; 21:1-16**

The completion of Christ’s ministry was His crucifixion and death, which took place just outside Jerusalem. Here, Jesus predicted His suffering and death for the third time. He had earlier hinted His disciples on His forthcoming trial and suffering (Mathew 16:21; 17:12, 22, 23). “Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall condemn him to death, And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify him: and the third day he shall rise again”.

It is rather puzzling to realize that religious leaders of Jesus time were to condemn Him to death. This warns us that anyone could be used by the enemy to do his bidding. We see in the chief priests and scribes willing tools in Satan’s hands to execute a diabolic plan. Nevertheless, the Lord always talked about His resurrection each time He prophesied His death. He was fully aware of the unjust treatment that would be meted out to Him.

We learn that Christ submitted to the Father’s will. Even though the Father was about to present a bitter cup to Him, He was ready to drink it. He was not afraid of death (Mathew 26:39, 42). Christ’s entrance into Jerusalem marks the beginning of the last phase of His public ministry. Believers should be sure of their calling and be ready for whatever the Lord demands of them. His triumph entry into Jerusalem also marks the believer’s hope of salvation and deliverance.

<b>DAILY BIBLE READING</b>		
	<b>MORNING</b>	<b>EVENING</b>
<b>MON.</b>	<b>Ex. 1</b>	<b>Lk. 7</b>
<b>TUS.</b>	<b>Ex. 2</b>	<b>Lk. 8</b>
<b>WED.</b>	<b>Ex. 3</b>	<b>Lk. 9</b>
<b>THUR.</b>	<b>Ex. 4</b>	<b>Lk. 10</b>
<b>FRI.</b>	<b>Ex. 5</b>	<b>Lk. 11</b>
<b>SAT.</b>	<b>Ex. 6</b>	<b>Lk. 12</b>
<b>SUN.</b>	<b>Ex. 7</b>	<b>Lk. 13</b>