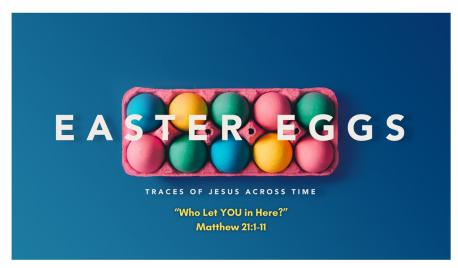


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Jeremiah 9:9

Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. **NIV**

Growing up, I'm sure many of you - as I did - were given palm branches on the Sunday before Easter, as the gospels tell us that Jesus rode into Jerusalem for the Passover celebration to the greetings, cheers, and praise of the people as they shouted "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." And as it seems appropriate that Jesus has caught their attention and earned their worship, it will be in just a few short days that many of the very voices shouting "Hosanna" now will shout "Crucify him" later. Why such a dramatic change? Did they miss something? Or did they have something of a change of heart? This Sunday at New Heights, we'll take a look at this story, and see if we can't get an answer to the question: What has happened to change people's minds so wildly about Jesus after his triumphal entry?

See you then!

-Zach, your Friendly Neighborhood Lead Pastor

Sermon Cheat Sheet

	Sermon in a Senten	ce		
	"Let's be careful that we	"		
Matthew 21:1-11				
Zechariah 9:9-10	Something Worth Not "Jesus isn't interested in sitting on	3		
Daniel 7:13-14	but on the of			
Psalm 2:8-10	Three Truths of Jesus' Ministry	Three Weekly Ch	Three Weekly Challenges	
	1: Jesus' Mission has	1: Manage Your	of Jesus	
Isaiah 11:2-4	2. Jesus' Mission Requires	2. Manage Your	of Jesus	
	3. Jesus is	3. Manage Your	of Jesus	

Matthew 24:36-44

Revelation 19:11-16

Weekly Prayer Requests

Marcia Clark **Donna Parrett Teresa Scott Dale Scott Eddie Kerr Angie Fowler Ron Scott Heather Potters Mona Nichols**

Dale Scott Sam Clark **Ruth Harrison** Mike Miracle

Names will be left on the prayer list for only three weeks. If you wish for a name to remain longer, or be moved to the long-term list, please notify the office.

**A long-term prayer list with updates can be found in the foyer.



& FELLOWSHIP! 3RD -12TH GRADES



SUNDAY EVENINGS 6 - 8 PM

WHAT IS KIDS HOPE USA?

AN OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE OUR COMMUNITY!

New Heights will begin partnering with Kids Hope USA in a school-based mentoring program. This program will provide our church with an opportunity to mentor students one on one, allowing us to share the unconditional love of Christ with children in need of support.

We would like to invite you to be a part of this opportunity to make a difference in the lives of the children in our community.

Please see Carol Clark if you are interested in volunteering.

Mahoning Valley Christian Service Camp



EARLY BIRD PRICING THROUGH MAY 17TH! DON'T WAIT!



Community Sharing Toilet Paper Drive Total Collected: 102 Rolls



SUMMER IS COMING! IT'S TIME TO GET READY.

MAY 10

VOLUNTEER CAMP WORK DAY 8 AM- 2 PM_ BREAKFAST & LUNCH PROVIDED



If you would like to join us, please sign-up in the Cafe.

Vitals for April 6

Weekly Need: \$3,200 Actual Given: \$1425 Sunday School - 21 Morning Service - 62

3 easy ways to give:

- 'Tithes & Offerings' box in the lobby
- newheightsconnersville.com/giving
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This Week: "Who let you in here?"

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away." This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: "Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'" The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest heaven!" When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee." Matthew 21: 1-11

CHALLENGE: PERSONALIZE & PRAY THESE SCRIPTURES THROUGHOUT THE WEEK.

Monday: Don't Miss Jesus

Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. Zechariah 9:9

Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on a donkey, symbolizing his royal status as the Messiah and the heir of King David. Rather than appearing as a mighty warrior, he came as a humble servant. His mission was not to overthrow the Romans but to triumph over sin and death. The crowds welcomed him with joyous shouts and celebration, just as Zechariah had prophesied 500 years earlier. While he was their Savior and King, not everyone recognized him as such, and so they missed the opportunity to truly know him.

Jesus is our Savior and King. Rejoice greatly! See, your king comes to you! During this time, reflect on how He sacrificed His life for you, covering the penalty for your sins with His own blood. At His first coming, He embodied all the qualities of the ideal king foretold by Zechariah. He fulfilled all the prophecies of scripture. He died to save us from our sin and offer eternal life and righteousness to all who place their trust in Him. How can we not praise, worship, and joyfully welcome such a magnificent King? May His praise be continually on our lips!

"Hosanna to the Son of David; Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest!" (Matthew 21:9)

Tuesday: Sit on the throne of our hearts.

Save us, we pray, 0 Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success! Psalm II8: 25 ESV

The psalmist recognized that even in times of distress, God remained by his side. God has assured his people that He will protect and love them for all eternity. We can find peace and assurance amidst the chaos. Regardless of the challenges we face, if we love and trust in God, He will stand with us. We have nothing to fear when we place our faith in Him.. What will you rely on today for your needs? While it may be tempting to trust in worldly resources more than in God, choose to have greater faith in Him than anything else. Let Him sit on the throne of your heart.

Pray for the Lord to continually save and sustain his people.

Wednesday

"In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all nations and peoples of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed. Daniel

Regardless of the circumstances unfolding in the world today, we can be assured that ALL of God's promises will be fulfilled. We can be certain that Jesus possesses, and will always possess, complete authority, glory, and sovereign power over all things. One day, He will return to rule as the "King of Kings and Lord of Lords!"

April 13, 2025 "For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you. We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and

understanding that the Spirit gives,..." Colossians 1:9



Thursday

"So you, too, must keep watch! For you don't know what day your Lord is coming. 43 Understand this: If a homeowner knew exactly when a burglar was coming, he would keep watch and not permit his house to be broken into. 44 You also must be ready all the time, for the Son of Man will come when least expected.' Matthew 24:42–44

Christians are called to remain vigilant and attentive for the second coming of Christ. Stay alert! This message emphasizes the importance of being active rather than passive in our faith. We should engage in the Father's work of teaching, preaching, and making disciples. The unexpected nature of His return mirrors that of Noah's generation, where people were more focused on daily activities than their relationship with God, ultimately leading them to be caught off guard by the flood's judgment. We must always be prepared, as Jesus will return to gather His disciples and share the fullness of the kingdom.

Without Jesus, true peace is elusive—both within our hearts and among individuals and nations. However, with Him, we can experience a peace that passes all understanding and settles deep in our souls. As we await the Lord's return, we should actively seek and embrace this peace.

Pray for those in our lives who may not be prepared to encounter Jesus, especially for those who have yet to discover his gift of salvation, or encounter his perfect peace.

Friday

I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war. His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God. The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. Coming out of his mouth is a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. "He will rule them with an iron scepter." He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. On his robe and on his thigh, he has this name written: king of kings and lord of lords. Revelation 19:11–16

Vs 15- "This sword is the Word of God. From Genesis to Revelation, Jesus is pictured as possessing and wielding the authoritative Word. As followers of Jesus, then, we must not simply know God's Word or study it, but also verbally quote it. It carries intrinsic authority to accomplish God's purposes. In some cases, it draws a person to salvation. In others, it causes a hardened sinner to be without excuse or his or her conduct. In no situation, however, will a child of God verbally quote and obey the Word of God and have that Word return empty (see <u>Isa 55:II</u>)." (Excerpt from The Tony Evans Study Bible)

Pray that New Heights becomes a Church filled with a deep passion for the Word of God. May we treasure His Word in our hearts and allow it to flow freely from our lips.

Saturday

Then I looked and heard the voice of many angels, numbering thousands upon thousands, and ten thousand times ten thousand. They encircled the throne and the living creatures and the elders. In a loud voice they were saying: "Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!" Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, saying: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!" Revelation 5:II-I3

All praise be to him who is worthy! Spend time this today praising the Lord and thanking him for the many blessings He has given to you. Pray for those who need to accept Jesus as Savior, that they may be ready for his return.

Memorize Scripture With Us

Recite or write down this verse three times a day for seven days. Let's commit to hiding God's Word in our hearts together.

"Look, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to each person according to what they have done." Revelation 22:12

Lord Jesus, this verse reminds us that You may return at any moment. What a glorious day that will be! You promise that those who hear the words of Revelation and who commit themselves to Spirit-empowered, godly obedience will be greatly blessed. We pray you will give your Church an eager anticipation of your return that will keep us living productively. Let each one of us be motivated and joyful, knowing that You have prepared great rewards and a wonderful home for us in heaven. One day soon we will see You face-to-face.

It's in Jesus' name we pray. Amen!

