

When King Jesus Comes Calling
Mark 11:1-11 (Palm Sunday)

I. The Astounding Approach

A. Triumphal Entry or Astounding Approach

B. Astounding Approach

1. Reason for the focus
2. Illustration: **The Approach Determines the Outcome**

C. Five Characteristics of Christ's Approach

II. Five Characteristics of Christ's Approach

A. Jesus Approaches Deliberately

1. The Deliberate Approach to Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-3)
2. His Deliberate Approach to Each of Us
 - a. John 3:16
 - b. Ephesians 1:4-6
 - c. Philippians 2:5-8

B. Jesus Approaches Prophetically

1. The Approach to Jerusalem as Prophetic Fulfilment
 - a. Event realized as fulfilment of prophecy (Zech 9:9)
 - b. Two Effects
 - (1) Heightens expectations for the real credibility of God's promises
 - (2) Builds anticipation for ALL of God's promises
 - (a) King (Zechariah 9:9)
 - (b) Savior (Isaiah 53:1-6)
2. Jesus approaches each of us as the fulfilment and guarantee of ALL God's promises

C. Jesus Approaches Royally

1. Jesus approaches Jerusalem as a returning King to whom loyalty and allegiance are due
2. Jesus approaches our lives as King of kings and Lord of lords to whom faith and worship and love and service are due

D. Jesus Approaches Representatively

1. Jesus comes in the name of the Lord as the representative of God
2. Think: God comes to us rather than wait for us to come to Him!

E. Jesus Approaches Redemptively

1. Approach determines outcome: redemption
2. Jesus approaches our lives as One Who has given His life for us

III. What will you do when King Jesus comes calling on your life?

A. Options

1. Resist Him
2. Reject Him
3. Receive Him

B. How will you respond to Christ's Astounding Approach?