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Renewal and Restoration

Matthew 21:1-7 - *As Jesus and the disciples approached Jerusalem, they came to the town of Bethphage on the Mount of Olives. Jesus sent two of them on ahead.* [2] *"Go into the village over there," he said. "As soon as you enter it, you will see a donkey tied there, with its colt beside it. Untie them and bring them to me.* [3] *If anyone asks what you are doing, just say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will immediately let you take them."* [4] *This took place to fulfill the prophecy that said,* [5] *"Tell the people of Jerusalem, 'Look, your King is coming to you. He is humble, riding on a donkey—riding on a donkey's colt.'"* [6] *The two disciples did as Jesus commanded.* [7] *They brought the donkey and the colt to him and threw their garments over the colt, and he sat on it.*

People Full Of Spiritual Expectation

Palm Sunday Is The Story Of The King Who Came As:

1) **The Entrance To A New Life.**
2) **The Beginning Of A New Purpose.**
3) **A Life With New Experiences.**

Matthew 23:37-39 - *"O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones God's messengers! How often I have wanted to gather your children together as a hen protects her chicks beneath her wings, but you wouldn't let me.* [38] *And now, look, your house is abandoned and desolate.* [39] *For I tell you this, you will never see me again until you say, 'Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord!'"*

Jesus Wanted To Protect Them From The Judgment Of Rejecting Of Him

- **Bless Them With Community.**
- **Inspire Spiritual Mindfulness.**
- **For Them To Know His Love.**

They Weren't Willing To Receive Him

John 3:17 - *God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him.*

They Welcomed Him Out Of Their Own Expectations For A Savior