

Introduction: Palm Sunday choir from my childhood

What is the message we hear on Palm Sunday?

- A lot of noise
- From someone out of sight
- Who makes us uncomfortable

What is the message Jesus wants us to hear?

Who He is and what He is doing

I. Who is this (noisemaker)?

a. A prophet

- i. He makes a prophecy (v2-3)
- ii. He fulfills prophecy (v4-5)

b. A Priest

- i. He purifies worship (v12)
- ii. He protects prayer (v13a)
- iii. He extends grace (v13b)
- iv. He provides sacrifice (v12 -> cross)

c. A King: Claims made by Jesus (v3), Crowd (v9), Prophecy (v5)

Proofs:

- i. Fulfills royal prophecy (v5)
- ii. Claims royal ride (v2)
- iii. Receives royal praise
  - 1. Victory carpet (v8)
  - 2. Victory chant (v9)
  - 3. Victory lap (the journey he's made)

II. What He did

- a. He was a prophet who rode into the jaws of his prophecy
- b. He was a priest who offered the perfect sacrifice to satisfy divine justice + reconcile us
- c. He was the King of glory who set it aside to give us his glory

Conclusion: Though he deserved the glory of heaven, he descended to the agonies of hell to claim peace for our souls