

## Reigning King Of Kings Is Coming Back With Clouds And Crowds

### Palm Sunday - The Triumphant Entry (Mark 11:7-10)

I. The crowds on Palm Sunday were **right** and **wrong**.

A. They thought Jesus was going to be their king but their timing was wrong.

(John 6:15)

B. On palm Sunday their timing was still wrong.

C. They wanted Jesus to be king of their country -the king of the Jews- but not of their

lives. (Is this true of America?)

II. Jesus **is** the **reigning** King of Kings over the **entire** world.

(Revelation 19:16 1 Timothy 1:17)

III. Jesus, the reigning King, **is** coming back with **clouds** and **crowds**!

(1 Timothy 6:14-15; John 14:3; I Corinthians 16:22; Revelation 22:20; Revelation 1:5-8)

IV. The second coming of Christ will have **two stages**.

First, the **rapture** of believers (this will be a movement from earth to Heaven) at the beginning of the Tribulation. (Revelation 3)

Then, the **second coming** of Christ (from Heaven to earth) at the end of the Tribulation. (Revelation 19)

- We love to celebrate **Christmas** -the Birth of Jesus- and we enjoy celebrating **Easter** -the Resurrection of Jesus- and we should also look forward to His **Second Coming**.
- For every prophecy in the bible about the birth of Christ, there are eight verses about His second coming. The 260 chapters in the New Testament contain **316** references to the second coming of Christ.

There is coming a new worldwide Triumphant Entry!

1. We should be filled with **anticipation**. (Titus 2:13)

Expectancy                      Eagerness

Looking forward              Hope

2. We should be filled with **excitement**. (Luke 12:40; Isaiah 66:14)

Zeal                                      Fervor

Readiness                      Impatience ("can't hardly wait")

Rejoice                              Joy

Lift up your heads! The King of Glory is coming! Who is this King of Glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle! Lift up your heads! (from Psalm 24)

Revelation 7:9-11 (CSB)

<sup>9</sup> After this **I looked**, and there was **a vast multitude** from every nation, tribe, people, and language, which no one could number, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were clothed in white robes with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup> And they cried out in a loud voice:

Salvation belongs to our God,  
who is seated on the throne,  
and to the Lamb!

<sup>11</sup> **All the angels** stood around the throne, and along with the elders and the four living creatures they fell facedown before the throne and worshiped God

1 Thessalonians 4:16-18

<sup>16</sup> For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the archangel's voice, and with the trumpet of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup> Then we who are still alive, who are left, will be caught up **together with them** (WHAT A CROWD) in the **clouds** to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. <sup>18</sup> **Therefore encourage one another with these words.**