The Triumphal Entry

The Unexpected King

Zechariah 9:9

The Significance of Jesus' Entry into Jerusalem

- Prophecy fulfilled
- Symbol of peace and humility
- Jesus' entrance is his declaration of kingship

The Humble King

- Philippians 2:6-8 Who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men
- Worldly Expectations of a King
 Jesus' Humility Contrasted
 Servanthood and Obedience
 The Paradox of the Cross
 Eternal Impact

The Kingdom of God

- Matthew 21:1-17
- Jesus' Kingship
- Reception by the Crowd
 - The Disciples (v6-7)
 - The Believing Crowd (v8-9)
 - The Curious (v10)
 - The Unbelievers / Chief Priests and Scribes (v15-16)

What Does It Mean?

- Embrace humility
- Reject Earthly notions of success and power
- Welcome Jesus
 - How do we respond to Jesus' attempt to enter into our own lives - Disciples, Believers, Curious, Unbelieving?
- Anticipate persecution
- Expect the Return of the King