# Defeating Death

A Loved Disciple Series

(John 12:12-19 NIV) (Matthew 21:1-11 NIV) (Mark 11:1-11 NIV) (Luke 19:28-40 NIV)

#### The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem.

As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her.

#### **God's Orchestration**

Untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away."

They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, some people standing there asked, "What are you doing, untying that colt?" They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them

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go.

They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet:

#### "Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey's colt."

At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realize that these things had been written about him and that these things had been done to him.

#### **Contrasting Expectations**

When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen.

#### **Contrasting Expectations**

A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

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### They took palm branches and went out to meet him, shouting,

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"Hosanna!" "Hosanna to the Son of David!"

#### **Contrasting Expectations**

"Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Blessed is the king of Israel!" "Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

#### Momentum

Now the crowd that was with him when he called Lazarus from the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to spread the word. Many people, because they had heard that he had performed this sign, went out to meet him.

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Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!" "I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."

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#### So the Pharisees said to one another, "See, this is getting us nowhere. Look how the whole world has gone after him!"

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### Communion

### (1 Corinthians 11:23-26 NIV)



#### Communion

<sup>23</sup>For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, <sup>24</sup>and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."

#### Communion

<sup>25</sup>In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." <sup>26</sup>For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

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