# "The Most Wonderful King – Ever!" Zechariah 9:9-10

All of God's people are called to consider the saving glories of Jesus, our true King.

## 1. An Entirely Different King!

## (1) His Coming

- A cause for great rejoicing!

"Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! v. 9
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
Behold, your king is coming to you;
righteous and having salvation is he,
humble and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

- He is *their* king *of* them "your king"
  - Their long-promised, long-expected King
  - As man, He was born of her and came from her.

#### - He is *coming to* them - He is not *of* them!

- As God, the Word made flesh, He came to her
- He came to her to save her.

## (2) His Credentials and His Approach as Savior

#### -1- Righteous

- Anointed with righteousness and bringing righteousness.
- This is the King who makes His people righteous!

#### -2- Having salvation

- Can be rendered, "saved"
- cf. Ps. 2 Saved and delivered in spite of all the opposition brought against Him.

#### -3- Humble

- lowly, afflicted, suffering He comes as the afflicted, suffering One.
- cf. Is. 53 "The Suffering Servant"
- Speaks of His whole mission and ministry; the means by which He saves His people.

#### -4- Mounted on a donkey! Cf. Matt. 21:1-5

- A great contrast drawn between this, the greatest King, and worldly kings
- Speaks of the peaceable character of His whole mission

## 2. An Entirely Different Kingdom!

## (1) A Kingdom established by an entirely different kind of Conquest!

"I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the warhorse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak peace to the nations"

## - The implements of warfare of no use in this King's conquest!

- chariot, warhorse, battle bow
- These represent the whole arsenal used in ancient warfare

#### - He will not call his people to take up arms against the nations!

- cf. Jn. 18:36 "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting..."

## - He will speak peace to the nations! He is "Prince of Peace"

- By the preaching of the gospel
- He comes to the nations in the same way that He came to Israel!

## (2) A Kingdom of Worldwide Expanse! "his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth."

-1- Through the advance of the great commission.

- The people of God: A chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation
- A people from every tongue and tribe and nation

#### -2- Ultimately, at the consummation of all things.

## **Further Application:**

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