#### **The Unexpected King** Luke 19:28-48; Coast Community Church; Pastor Earl Miles; 1-5-2020

## Theme: The Entrance of the King

BLESSED IS THE KING WHO COMES IN THE NAME OF THE LORD (38)

THE QUESTION: WHAT KIND OF KING?

## 1. A King Who Leads Out of a Heart to Serve

Kings lead. - 1 Samuel 8:7-9; Zechariah 9:9

"Say to the daughter of Zion, 'Behold your King is coming to you, Gentle, and mounted on a donkey, Even on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden." – Matthew 21:5

A donkey is a beast of burden who is used to serve the needs of others.

Many men are eager to be in leadership so others can serve them but only One is eager to lead so He can serve those He leads.

Don't you want a king who has your best interest at heart?

The donkey said to Balaam, "Am I not your donkey on which you have ridden all your life to this day? Have I ever been accustomed to do so to you?" And he said, "No." – Numbers 22:30

Be more concerned this year about your sin than the sin of others! - Romans 7:24-25a

#### 2. A King Who Judges Out of a Heart of Love

Kings judge. – 1 Samuel 8:5

Many men are ready to inflict punishment with a gleam in their eyes but only One does so with tears in His eyes.

Jesus pronounced a coming judgment on Jerusalem because of their rejection of Him as King, but He did so with grief. – Ezekiel 33:11

<sup>6</sup> Then the LORD passed by in front of him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD God, compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in lovingkindness and truth; <sup>7</sup> who keeps lovingkindness for thousands, who forgives iniquity, transgression and sin; yet He will by no means leave the guilty unpunished, visiting the iniquity of fathers on the children and on the grandchildren to the third and fourth generations." – Exodus 34:6-7

Don't you want a king that is wise and just (committed to doing what is right in every situation) as well as ready to forgive and show mercy but will not let evil go unpunished?

When all Israel heard of the judgment which the king had handed down, they feared the king, for they saw that the wisdom of God was in him to administer justice. -1 Kings 3:28

Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan the son of Saul, came to David and fell on his face and prostrated himself. -2 Samuel 9:6a

Be more ready to forgive this year and leave judgment to God. - Romans 12:17-21

## 3. A King Who Conquers Out of a Heart to Save

Kings engage in battle. - 1 Samuel 8:20; Isaiah 33:22

Jesus drove out the moneychangers because they were hindering the Gentiles from worshiping the true God.

Many men drive others out simply to enrich themselves while only One drives out so that many more can be enriched.

Don't you want a king that engages in battle (unselfishly) in order to enrich others not himself?

Now the men of Israel were hard-pressed on that day, for Saul had put the people under oath, saying, "Cursed be the man who eats food before evening, and until I have avenged myself on my enemies." So none of the people tasted food. -1 Samuel 14:24

Be more concerned this year about giving than about receiving. - Luke 6:35

# 4. A King Who Teaches Out of a Heart to Liberate

Kings instruct. - Proverbs 1:1

*These things I have spoken to you so that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may be made full. – John 15:11* 

Many men had down decrees and rulings and instructions in order to increase their stronghold on their subjects while only One teaches to liberate His subjects to experience His joy.

Don't you want a king who instructs you in the way of freedom and joy?

<sup>13</sup> The conclusion, when all has been heard, is: fear God and keep His commandments, because this applies to every person. <sup>14</sup> For God will bring every act to judgment, everything which is hidden, whether it is good or evil. – Ecclesiastes 12:13-14

Be more concerned this year about doing God's will and leaving the rest with God. -1 Peter 4:19