

Sermon Text: Luke 19:28-48 Divine Visitation

1) The Lord arrives as King of Peace (19:28-40).

- a) Symbolic Acts of Royalty and Peace
 - i) Royal Confiscation of Property (vv. 29-34)
 - ii) Royal Posture (v. 35)—"throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it"
 - iii) Royal Reception (vv. 36-38)
 - iv) Royal Prophecy (vv. 30, 35)—"new colt" of Zechariah 9:9 (cf. Matt. 21:4-5)
 - v) Peace (vv. 35-36, 38)
- b) Royalty Contested (v. 39)—"Teacher, rebuke Your disciples."
- c) Undeniable Royalty—"the very stones would cry out" (cf. Habakkuk 2:11)
- d) **Application:**
 - i) Christ has authority over our entire lives, including our possessions.
 - ii) Christ exercises His authority for our peace: heavenly and earthly.
 - iii) God in Christ is to be praised.
 - iv) Those who prize human autonomy despise the authority and praises of Christ.
Nevertheless, His reign is unstoppable and His royalty undeniable.

2) The Lord weeps over the rejection of His peace (19:41-44).

- a) Weeping and Lamentation (vv. 41-42); Divine hardening (cf. Rom. 11:7-10)
- b) Prophetic Warning (vv. 43-44)
 - i) Emphatic "you" (10X; end of every clause)
 - ii) Siege and Destruction of Jerusalem by Romans (AD 66-70)
- c) Judicial Rationale (v. 44)—"because you did not know the time of your visitation"—"when you were visited by God"
- d) **Application:**
 - i) God's only terms for peace are found in Christ.
 - ii) Christ has compassion for the lost.
 - iii) Christ is clear on the consequences of sin and unbelief.

3) The Lord succeeds the temple as the means of peace (19:45-48).

- a) Judgment against Temple Abuses (vv. 45-56; cf. Mal. 3:1-4; Isa. 56:7; Jer. 7:11)
- b) Dominion over Temple Precincts (19:47-48)
- c) **Application:**
 - i) Christ succeeds the temple as the place of atonement. Trust in Christ's sacrifice alone for the forgiveness of sin and peace with God.
 - ii) Christ succeeds the temple as the place of prayer. Go to the Father through Christ alone.
 - iii) Christ succeeds the temple as the place to dwell with God.

Doxology: Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of His glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen. Jude 24-25