

Hello! This is Dorothy -

I have been reading in my own devotional from the **Book of Zechariah**. It is an awesome Book! It is really like reading **Revelation** in miniature. There are some amazing verses that are prophecies we see fulfilled in the Gospels. For example, in **Zechariah 9**, we realize this amazing verse about our triumphant King, the Lord Jesus:

9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion; shout, O daughter of Jerusalem: behold, thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass, and upon a colt the foal of an ass.

As we read this account in **Mark**, we see how that the prepared ass was known by God and would be waiting for Him. The message that He gave the disciples to go fetch him and . . . **say ye that the Lord hath need of him. . . (11:3)**. I love it! At all times our Lord was so lowly, so humble, but the authority of Who He was never left Him.

. . . and say the Lord hath need of him. So, they brought the colt, the ass.

It is interesting to see the timing of when this should happen. When they were going to bring this colt, this ass, we read that the lambs

would have been brought at that time into the temple, because this was a huge religious day. These special, perfected lambs were being brought for slaughter. They were being readied, because of this enormous opportunity of bringing the sins of the people unto an holy God by a representative of a lamb. That was to do with what we call Passover. *Passover*, the name given in the Old Testament, points to what we are talking about when we think of Easter and the Cross in the New Testament.

You see, as the Lord started out, we read there were garments and and clothes strewn all over the way and people were pulling down branches. I have seen quite a crowd of people one time in Africa, literally ripping down the trees. They used the branches to carry out this demonstration and waved them around, but this was something different. This was the King, Who was coming in this lowly manner. It was the custom in those days that, occasionally, a king would come like this as a sign of coming in peace, as the king of peace. But mostly, when a king would enter, he would have his horse covered with all the special emblems all down the side of it.

You know, as I read this, I could not help but think of the stated fact that one day our Lord will come on a white horse, as we read in **Revelation 19** and **verse 11**. He, Who is Faithful and True, King of kings and Lord of lords, will come as the reigning, crucified,

triumphant King to take over the final battle of this world. You see, the King's final and official offer of Himself had come as He had gone to the people. He knew that although everybody started to shout **Hosanna! Hosanna!**, they were so thrilled and so excited to think, "This is our King!" But, knowing the hearts of men, He realized that, very soon after, that same crowd would shout **Crucify Him!**

Have you done that with the Lord? Have you said, "Oh, yes, I love the Lord and my life is going to be for the Lord!" And then, before you know it, that part of your life comes out that says, "No, He is not going to have anything to do with who I am going to marry or what is going to happen to me and my children; they are going to have this, that and the other! It is what I want to do!" But, do you understand that when you bow before Him, who is King of kings and Lord of lords, and acknowledge that position of what right He has in your life, it is not what you want; it is what He wants? Perhaps that is where the problem lies; you have never truly capitulated yourself to Him.

Jesus realized that it would be shortly thereafter in the city of Jerusalem, these who had shouted **Crucify Him!** were going to come into the most dreadful destruction, all of which was fulfilled actually seventy years later. We do not know the hour of the day of what will happen tomorrow. But as we look at our triumphant Lord and we think of Palm Sunday and glorious occasions of triumph around Him,

let us be consistent and say, *Lord, I want to be with You in the difficult day. I want to let Your life sustain me as I look upon You and say, Yes, Lord, You are my King. Rule over me. And I love you.*

In Jesus' Name. Amen.