

THE POWER OF MERCY

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Mercy is Coming

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Who Needs the Mercy of God?

The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on His way to Jerusalem. They took palm branches and went out to meet Him, shouting, "Hosanna!" "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Blessed is the King of Israel!" Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written: "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. 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. So the Pharisees said to one another, "See, this is getting us nowhere. Look how the whole world has gone after Him!" John 12:12-19

Mercy is undeserved _____ and unearned _____.

In this crowd we find ourselves:

1. The _____ need God's mercy.

The disciples left and did what Jesus had told them to do. They brought the donkey and its colt and laid some clothes on their backs. Then Jesus got on. Matthew 21:6-7

- It's so easy to _____ – Hebrews 2:1

2. The _____ need God's mercy.

When Jesus came to Jerusalem, everyone in the city was excited and asked, "Who can this be?" The crowd answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee." Matthew 21:10-11

3. The _____ need God's mercy.

He had worked a lot of miracles among the people, but they were still not willing to have faith in Him. John 12:37

4. The _____ need God's mercy.

A crowd had come out to meet Jesus because they had seen Him call Lazarus out of the tomb. They kept talking about Him, and this miracle. John 12:17-18

5. The _____ need God's mercy.

When Jesus was starting down the Mount of Olives, His large crowd of disciples were happy and praised God because of all the miracles they had seen. They shouted, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory to God." Luke 19:37-38

...The Pharisees had already given orders for the people not to have anything to do with anyone who had faith in Jesus. And besides, the leaders liked praise from others more than they liked praise from God. John 12:42-43

Jesus sees you in the _____, is familiar with your _____, and knows your need for _____.

Mercy is coming! Mercy is here!

Memory Verse

The Lord answered Moses, "I will do this very thing you have asked, for you have found favor in My sight, and I know you by name." Exodus 33:17

Next Steps

- No matter which group I may be in, I will accept God's undeserved forgiveness and unearned kindness. That's mercy!
- I will invite others to join me next week for Easter service so that they might know the God of mercy.
- I will enjoy God's mercy and extend it to others as needed.