

I. King Jesus was determined to die for us

A. He was motivated by His love

“But God demonstrated his love for us in this: While we were sinners, Christ died for us.” (Romans 5:8)

B. He was full of courage

C. He was in complete control

“The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life – only to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord.” (John 10:17-18)

II. King Jesus openly claimed to be the Messiah

A. He fulfilled the prophecy

“Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout Daughter of Jerusalem! See your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.” (Zechariah 9:9)

B. He identified with the line of King David

“The days are coming, declares the Lord,, when I will raise up to David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land.” (Jeremiah 23:5)

C. He came to bring peace

“This the message God sent to the people of Israel, telling the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is the Lord of all.” (Acts 10:36)

III. King Jesus allowed the people to proclaim Him as King

A. The people welcomed Jesus

B. The people praised God because of Jesus

“I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father.” (John 14:13)

C. The people proclaimed Jesus as King

“Then Nathanael declared, ‘Rabbi, you are the Son of God; you are the King of Israel.’” (John 1:49)

D. The people announced peace

“He was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed.” (Isaiah 53:5)

E. The praise for Jesus was unstoppable

“Sing for joy, O heavens, for the Lord has done this; shout aloud, O earth beneath. Burst into song, you mountains, you forests and all your trees, for the Lord has redeemed Jacob, he displays his glory in Israel.” (Isaiah 44:23)