

I. King Jesus came determined to die for us

“As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem.” (Luke 9:51)

- A. He came motivated by his love for us
- B. He came full of courage
- C. He came 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 claimed to be the Messiah

- A. He fulfilled ancient 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 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 in humility and 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)

III. King Jesus allowed people to proclaim him King

- A. The people welcomed King Jesus
- B. The people praised God
- C. The people proclaimed Jesus as King
- D. The people announced peace
- E. The praise could not be stopped

IV. King Jesus wept over Jerusalem

- A. Jesus wept over the rejection of the people

“But if you do not listen, I will weep in secret because of your pride; my eyes will weep bitterly, overflowing with tears, because the Lord’s flock will be taken captive.” (Jeremiah 13:17)

B. Jesus wept over the people’s loss of eternal life

“He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.” (2 Peter 3:9)

C. Jesus wept over the coming destruction

V. King Jesus clears out the temple

“Suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come.” (Malachi 3:1)

A. The King purifies the temple

“He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; he will purify the Levites and refine them like gold and silver.” (Malachi 3:3)

B. The King restores the place of prayer

“My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations.” (Isaiah 56:7)

C. The King teaches about the Kingdom