

Hosanna — The Wine of His Presence

I. The Longing for Eden — Restoration of All Things

A. We Are Surrounded By More Than We Comprehend

John 12:1–8 NIV Six days before the Passover, Jesus arrived at Bethany, where Lazarus lived, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. **2** Here a **dinner** was given in Jesus' honor. (Mt 26, Mk 14 — Simon the leper) **Martha** served, while **Lazarus** was among those reclining at the table with him. **3** Then **Mary took about a pint of pure nard, an expensive perfume;** she poured it on Jesus' feet and wiped his feet with her hair. **And the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume.**

Testimony of Jesus
-> do it again!

His Presence ->
Worship ->
Atmosphere
Change

4 But one of his disciples, Judas Iscariot, who was later to betray him, objected, **5 "Why wasn't this perfume sold and the money given to the poor? It was worth a year's wages."** **6** He did not say this because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief; as keeper of the money bag, he used to help himself to what was put into it.

Extravagant
Worship ->
Offends the
mind, reveals
the heart

7 "Leave her alone," Jesus replied. " [It was intended] that she should save this perfume for the day of my burial. **8** You will always have the poor among you, but you will not always have me."

[**Mark 14:9** ... throughout the world, **what she has done** will also be told, in memory of her."]

9 Meanwhile a **large crowd** of Jews found out that Jesus was there and **came**, not only because of him **but also to see Lazarus**, whom he had raised from the dead. **10 So the chief priests made plans to kill Lazarus as well,** **11** for on account of him many of the Jews were going over to Jesus and putting their faith in him.

The curious
come

B. Unseen Eternity Hidden in the Moment

12 The next day, when the **large crowd** that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, 13 they **took palm branches** and went out to meet Him. **They kept shouting: “Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord—the King of Israel!”**

In His Presence:

Kingdom

Restoration of All Things

Life as Intended

Bride & Bridegroom

Matt 21:8 ... **spread their cloaks on the road...**

Ps 118:25 NKJV **Save now**, I pray, O LORD;

O LORD, I pray, **send now prosperity.**

26a **Blessed is he** who comes in the name of the LORD!

Luke 19:37 ... **the whole crowd of disciples began to rejoice and praise God in loud voices** for all the miracles they had seen...

39 Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, **“Teacher, rebuke your disciples!”** 40 “I tell you,” he replied, **“if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out.”**

Joy

Praising God for miracles

There's more to life than the natural. Created for the SUPER natural

The Longing for FREEDOM is Rooted in Creation. All Creation is longing for what is about to occur.

C. The Taste of Hope — Some People Just Won't Shut Up!

17 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**. 18 **Many people**, because they had heard that he had given this miraculous sign, went out to meet him.

19 Then the Pharisees said to one another, “You see? You’ve accomplished nothing. Look—the world has gone after Him!”

MSG The Pharisees took one look and threw up their hands: **“It’s out of control. The world’s in a stampede after him.”**

II. The Gift of Himself —

He Rode into Jerusalem to Give Himself

- 23 Jesus replied, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. 24 **I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds.**
- 27 “Now my heart (soul) is troubled, and what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour?’ No, it was **for this very reason** I came to this hour.
- 28 Father, **glorify your name!**” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have glorified it, and will glorify it again.” 29 The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him.
- 30 Jesus said, “This voice was for your benefit, not mine. 31 Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. 32 But I, **when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to myself.**” 33 He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.

III. Receiving, Renewing the Gift

Communion in the Inner Life of the Trinity

Body & Blood, Soul & Divinity

John 6:53 NIV Jesus said to them, “I tell you the truth, **unless** you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. 54 **Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.** 55 For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. 56 Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood **remains in me, and I in him.*** 57 Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, **so the one who feeds on me will live because of me.**

* **perichoresis** *interpenetration*

~Not just a **change** of life but an ongoing **exchange** of life.~

Koinonia — PRAY & PASS OUT ELEMENTS

1 Cor 11:23 NIV For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, 24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, “**This is my body, which is for you;** do this in remembrance of me.” 25 In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, “**This cup is the new covenant in my blood;** do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.” 26 For *whenever* you eat this bread and drink this cup, you *proclaim* the Lord’s **death until he comes.**

27 Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an **unworthy manner** will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. 28 A man ought to **examine** himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. 29 For anyone who eats and drinks **without recognizing the body of the Lord** eats and drinks judgment on himself. 30 That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep. 31 But if we **judged ourselves**, we would not come under judgment. 32 When we are judged by the Lord, we are being disciplined so that we will not be condemned with the world.

Ps 139:23 NIV Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. 24 See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

Ps 19:12 NIV Who can discern his errors? Forgive my hidden faults. 13 Keep your servant also from willful sins; may they not rule over me. Then will I be blameless, innocent of great transgression. 14 May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, my Rock and my Redeemer.

The Participation

1 Cor 10:16 MSG When we drink the cup of blessing, aren’t we taking into ourselves the blood, the very life, of Christ? And isn’t

it the same with the loaf of bread we break and eat? Don't we take into ourselves the body, the very life, of Christ? [17](#) Because there is one loaf, our many-ness becomes one-ness—Christ doesn't become fragmented in us. Rather, we become unified in him. We don't reduce Christ to what we are; he raises us to what he is.

Freely, Fully, Faithfully, Fruitfully, Forever