

Sermon Title: "Our Jerusalems" Speaker: Pastor Wes Scriptural Reference: Gospel of Luke Chapter 19

I. Introduction A. Context: Last week of Jesus's life before crucifixion. B. Importance of scripture in understanding Jesus's actions and teachings.

II. Jesus's Approach to Jerusalem A. **Scripture:** Luke 19:28-44 B. Jesus sends disciples to fetch a colt, symbolizing humble entry into Jerusalem. 1. Fulfillment of prophecy: Peaceful king, not a conquering hero. C. Lessons on humility and divine mission.

III. Cleansing of the Temple A. Jesus demonstrates authority and desire for purity in worship. B. Calls believers to reflect and cleanse their lives of hindrances to genuine communion with God.

IV. Lessons from Jesus's Journey A. Servitude: Emphasizing humility and service to others. B. Spiritual Warfare: Acknowledging the reality of demonic forces and the believer's authority in Christ. C. Aligning with God's Will: The importance of submitting personal desires for God's greater plan.

V. The Concept of 'Visitation' A. Jesus weeps over Jerusalem for missing their time of visitation. B. Urges believers not to overlook their moments of divine encounter.

VI. Application to Believers' Lives A. Embrace humility and service as demonstrated by Jesus. B. Recognize and respond to God's work and presence in our lives. C. Reflect on personal spiritual journey and areas requiring cleansing or realignment with God's will.

VII. Conclusion A. Jesus's journey to the cross provides profound lessons for believers. B. The call to live out the lessons of humility, service, and spiritual vigilance in daily life.

Scriptural References Mentioned:

1. **Luke 19:28-44** - Jesus's entry into Jerusalem and the events leading up to His crucifixion.
2. Prophecies and Old Testament references highlighting the significance of Jesus's actions, particularly His humble entry (e.g., **Zechariah 9:9** about a king coming humble and riding on a donkey).
3. Discussion on spiritual warfare and authority in Christ touches on themes found throughout the New Testament, emphasizing the believer's position and power in spiritual battles.

VIII. Prayer and Reflection A. Prayer for guidance, to emulate Jesus's humility and service. B. Reflection on personal life and the church's role in living out the gospel message authentically and powerfully.