



# ***Brownwood Baptist Church***

*"Where love for God and others becomes a reality" 1 John 4:7-11*

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Good morning! Today is Palm Sunday, the day that we remember Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem.

Luke 19:37-42

There are several things I want you to pay attention to here.

1. Though the disciples did not fully understand what going to happen within the week, they did two things here that I think we should consider this morning. They rejoiced and praised God because of what they had seen Jesus do.

The disciples rejoiced; this means they experienced and delighted in God's grace. This then led them to shout praise to God for what they had seen and experienced while following Jesus.

Have you experienced God's grace? Did that bring you to the point of rejoicing then or even now? Does your rejoicing lead to praise?

We have all the reasons we need today to rejoice and praise God!

2. Their rejoicing and shouts of praise drew complaints from the Pharisees. Jesus told them that if the disciples stopped, the stones would cry out.

Why? Because He is worthy to be praised!

Psalms 19:1-3 "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork. Day unto day utters speech, and night unto night reveals knowledge. There is no speech nor language where their voice is not heard."

If you walk outside and stand silent for a few moments you will hear it and you will see it. No matter how bad it may seem in this world, His creation is still declaring the glory of God. The birds are still singing their praise to the almighty.

3. Jesus came to bring peace to us. In John 14:27 “Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.”

We have all lost something over the last month and for many it is very unsettling, but understand that if you place your trust in anything other than Jesus Christ, the peace you gain from it can and will be taken.

Believers, pay attention to where your heart is drawn right now. If you are longing for things to be back as they once were so you can feel comfortable again ask yourself why?

The peace that Jesus brought to us surpasses all understanding. No matter how dark or troubled the day may seem, we must cling to the peace that He has given us; not the peace the world has to offer.

As you are at home with your family this morning, I want you to be encouraged. God is still on the throne!

Spend time with your family this morning praying, rejoicing, and praising our Heavenly Father!

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