

LIFE GROUP STUDY GUIDE

Week of April 14, 2019

On Sunday we celebrated the Triumphal entry of Jesus the Messiah into Jerusalem. He was celebrated by the people with shouts of "Hosanna" and "Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord."

1. There is a distinct contrast between what the people thought was happening and what Christ was doing. Discuss your understanding of the differences.
2. It is fascinating to study Biblical typology (the study of people and events from the past that represent future events) and see the comparisons and differences that exist. Discuss some of the similarities and differences you see between the first coming of Jesus at His birth, His ministry, the Triumphal Entry, and His crucifixion and resurrection, and the Second Coming when He returns to earth as King.
3. Read the following passage of Scripture and discuss the spiritual significance of both the First and Second Coming of Jesus.
 - a. **Hebrews 9:24-28** ²⁴ *For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. ²⁵ Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, ²⁶ for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. ²⁷ And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, ²⁸ so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.*
4. Discuss and make a list of all the things you believe are included in the last statement of the Hebrews passage - ...save those who are eagerly waiting for him.
5. How are you encouraged by your list?