



# Easter

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*Today's Scripture Reading:*

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**JOHN 12:12-19**

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<sup>15</sup> "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" <sup>16</sup> His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him. <sup>17</sup> The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness.



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<sup>18</sup> The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign. <sup>19</sup> So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."



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***The Unexpected King - Palm Sunday***  
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***The Unexpected Power - Easter Sunday***

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"The Hebrew words yasha ("deliver, save") and anna ("beg, beseech") combine to form the word that, in English, is "hosanna." Literally, hosanna means "I beg you to save!" or "please deliver us!"

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## PSALM 118:25-26

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Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

Behold, your king is coming to you;  
righteous and having salvation is he,  
humble and mounted on a donkey,  
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.



## ZECHARIAH 9:3-4,8

<sup>3</sup> Tyre has built herself a stronghold; she has heaped up silver like dust, and gold like the dirt of the streets. <sup>4</sup> But the Lord will take away her possessions and destroy her power on the sea, and she will be consumed by fire.



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<sup>8</sup> But I will encamp at my temple to guard it against marauding forces. Never again will an oppressor overrun my people, for now I am keeping watch.



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# PSALM 118:22

The stone that the builders rejected  
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The background of the image consists of a dense pattern of green palm fronds, with the leaves overlapping and creating a textured, layered effect. The lighting is soft, highlighting the natural green color of the foliage.

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