

Passion Week—Triumphal Entry (Sunday, March 29, 33)

Matthew 21:1–9	Mark 11:1–10	Luke 19:29–44	John 12:12–19
<p>1 And when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage at the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, 2 saying to them, “Go into the village before you, and right away you will find a donkey tied and a colt with her.</p> <p>Untie <i>them</i> and bring <i>them</i> to me.</p> <p>3 And if anyone says anything to you, you will say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.”</p> <p>6 So the disciples went and did just as Jesus directed them,</p> <p>7 <i>and</i> brought the donkey and the colt and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them.</p> <p>4 Now this took place so that what was spoken through the prophet would be fulfilled, saying, 5 “Say to the daughter of Zion, ‘Behold, your king is coming to you, humble and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a pack animal.’” [Isa 62:11; Zech 9:9]</p>	<p>1 And when they came near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples 2 and said to them, “Go into the village before you, and right away <i>as you</i> enter into it you will find a colt tied, on which no one <i>has</i> ever sat. Untie it and bring it.</p> <p>3 And if anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ say ‘The Lord has need of it, and will send it here again at once.’”</p> <p>4 And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it.</p> <p>5 And some of those who were standing there said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?”</p> <p>6 So they told them, just as Jesus had said, and they allowed them <i>to take it</i>.</p> <p>7 And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, and he sat on it.</p>	<p>29 And it happened that when he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, to the hill called <i>the Mount</i> of Olives, he sent two of the disciples, 30 saying, ‘Go into the village in front of <i>you</i>, in which <i>as you</i> enter you will find a colt tied, on which no person has ever sat, and untie it <i>and</i> bring it.</p> <p>31 And if anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying <i>it</i>?’ you will say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’”</p> <p>32 So those who were sent went <i>and</i> found it just as he had told them.</p> <p>33 And <i>as</i> they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, ‘Why are you untying the colt?’</p> <p>34 So they said, ‘The Lord has need of it.’</p> <p>35 And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they put Jesus <i>on it</i>.</p>	<p>12a On the next day</p> <p>14 So Jesus found</p> <p>a young donkey</p> <p><i>and</i> sat on it,</p> <p>just as it is written,</p> <p>15 “Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion! Behold, your king is coming, seated on the foal of a donkey!”</p> <p>12b the large crowd who had come to the feast, <i>when they</i> heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, 13 took the branches of palm trees and went out to meet</p>

<p>8 And a very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others were cutting branches from the trees and spreading <i>them</i> on the road.</p> <p>9 And the crowds who went ahead of him and the ones who followed were shouting,</p> <p>saying, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed <i>is</i> the one who comes in the name of the Lord! [Ps 118:26]</p> <p>Hosanna in the highest <i>heaven!</i>”</p>	<p>8 And many <i>people</i> spread their cloaks on the road, and others <i>spread</i> leafy branches <i>they</i> had cut from the fields.</p> <p>9 And those who went ahead and those who were following were shouting,</p> <p>“Hosanna! Blessed <i>is</i> the one who comes in the name of the Lord!</p> <p>10 Blessed <i>is</i> the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest <i>heaven!</i>”</p>	<p>36 And <i>as</i> he was going along, they were spreading out their cloaks on the road.</p> <p>37 Now <i>as</i> he was drawing near by this time to the descent from the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of the disciples</p> <p>began rejoicing to praise God with a loud voice for all the miracles that they had seen, 38 saying,</p> <p>“Blessed <i>is</i> the king, the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”</p> <p>39 And some of the Pharisees from the crowd</p> <p>said to him, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!” 40 And he answered <i>and</i> said, “I tell you that if these keep silent, the stones will cry out!” 41 And when he approached</p>	<p>him,</p> <p>and began crying out,</p> <p>“Hosanna! Blessed <i>is</i> the one who comes in the name of the Lord, even the king of Israel!”</p> <p>16 (His disciples did not understand these <i>things</i> at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these <i>things</i> had been written about him and they did these <i>things</i> to him.) 17 So the crowd who was with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead were continuing to testify. 18 Because of this also the crowd went to meet him, for they had heard <i>that</i> he had performed this sign. 19 So the Pharisees said to one another, “You see that you are accomplishing nothing! Behold, the world has gone after him.”</p>
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Passion Week—Temple Visit (Sunday, March 29, 33)

Matthew 21:10–11, 14–16	Mark 11:11a
<p>10 And <i>when</i> he entered into Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” 11 And the crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth of Galilee!” 14 And the blind and the lame came up to him in the temple <i>courts</i> and he healed them. 15 But <i>when</i> the chief priests and the scribes saw the wonderful <i>things</i> that he did, and the children shouting in the temple <i>courts</i> and saying, “Hosanna to the Son of David!” they were indignant. 16 And they said to him, “Do you hear what these <i>children</i> are saying?” So Jesus said to them, “Yes, have you never read, ‘Out of the mouths of children and nursing babies you have prepared for yourself praise?’” [Ps 8:2]</p>	<p>11a And he went into Jerusalem to the temple,</p>

Passion Week—We Would See Jesus (Sunday, March 29, 33)

John 12:20–50
<p>Some Greeks Request to See Jesus 20 Now some Greeks were among those who had gone up in order to worship at the feast. 21 So these approached Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and began asking him saying, “Sir, we want to see Jesus.” 22 Philip went and told Andrew. Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. 23 And Jesus answered them, saying, “The hour has come that the Son of Man will be glorified. 24 Truly, truly I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth <i>and</i> dies, it remains <i>by</i> itself alone. But if it dies, it bears much fruit. 25 The one who loves his life loses it, and the one who hates his life in this world preserves it for eternal life. 26 If anyone serves me, he must follow me, and where I am, there my servant will be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him. 27 “Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? ‘Father, deliver me from this hour’? But for this <i>reason</i> I have come to this hour! 28 Father, glorify your name!” Then a voice came from heaven, “I have both glorified <i>it</i>, and I will glorify <i>it</i> again.” 29 Now the crowd that stood <i>there</i> and heard <i>it</i> said it had thundered. Others were saying, “An angel has spoken to him!” 30 Jesus answered and said, “This voice has not happened for my sake, but <i>for</i> your sake. 31 Now is the judgment of this world! Now the ruler of this world will be thrown out! 32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all <i>people</i> to myself.” 33 (Now he said this to indicate by what sort of death he was going to die.)</p>

34 Then the crowd replied to him, “We have heard from the law that the Christ remains forever! And how do you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?”

35 So Jesus said to them, “Yet a little time the light is with you! Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness does not overtake you! And the one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going.

36 While you have the light, believe in the light, in order that you may become sons of light.” Jesus said these *things*, and *then* he went away *and* was hidden from them.

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37 But as many signs *as* he had performed before them, they did not believe in him,

38 in order that the word of the prophet Isaiah would be fulfilled, who said,

“Lord, who has believed our message?

And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?” [[Isa 53:1](#)]

39 For this *reason* they were not able to believe, because again Isaiah said,

40 “He has blinded their eyes
and hardened their hearts,
lest they see with *their* eyes
and understand with *their* hearts
and turn, and I heal them.” [[Isa 6:10](#)]

41 Isaiah said these *things* because he saw his glory, and he spoke about him.

42 Yet despite that, even many of the rulers believed in him, but because of the Pharisees they did not confess *it*, so that they would not be expelled from the synagogue.

43 For they loved the praise of men more than praise from God.

44 But Jesus cried out and said, “The one who believes in me does not believe in me, but in the one who sent me,

45 and the one who sees me sees the one who sent me.

46 I have come *as* a light into the world, in order that everyone who believes in me will not remain in the darkness.

47 And if anyone hears my words and does not observe *them*, I will not judge him. For I have not come to judge the world, but to save the world.

48 The one who rejects me and does not accept my words has one who judges him; the word that I have spoken will judge him on the last day.

49 For I have not spoken from myself, but the Father himself who sent me has commanded me what I should say and what I should speak.

50 And I know that his commandment is eternal life. So *the things* that I say, just as the Father said to me, thus I say.”

Passion Week—Return to Bethany (Sunday, March 29, 33)

Matthew 21:17

Mark 11:11b

17 And leaving them,
he went outside of the city to Bethany
and spent the night there.

11b and *after* looking around at everything,
because the hour was already late,
he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

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Chronological Notes

- 1) I will be following Steinmann’s order of events as presented in Chapter 13 (“Holy Week, Crucifixion, and Resurrection”, pp. 288–89) of *From Abraham to Paul*. See that chapter for details on specific issues.