Be Aware! Jesus Entering Your Life

"As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples, saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, `Why are you doing this?' tell him, `The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly." They went and found a colt outside in the street, tied at a doorway. As they untied it, some people standing there asked, "What are you doing, untying that colt?" They answered as Jesus had told them to, and the people let them go. When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, "Hosanna!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!" "Hosanna in the highest!" Jesus entered Jerusalem and went to the temple. He looked around at everything, but since it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the Twelve. The next day as they were leaving Bethany, Jesus was hungry. Seeing in the distance a fig tree in leaf, he went to find out if it had any fruit. When he reached it, he found nothing but leaves, because it was not the season for figs. Then he said to the tree, "May no one ever eat fruit from you again." And his disciples heard him say it. On reaching Jerusalem, Jesus entered the temple area and began driving out those who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves, and would not allow anyone to carry merchandise through the temple courts, And as he taught them, he said, "Is it not written: "My house will be called a house of prayer for all nations'? But you have made it `a den of robbers.'" (Mark 11:1-17)

The Bible describes to us the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem; He entered Jerusalem City to conquer it and to be king over it. Jesus entered Jerusalem to conquer the Temple of God that is in Jerusalem. Before the death of Jesus, God's Holy Spirit was residing in the Temple that is in Jerusalem. But after the death of Jesus on the cross, the curtain of the temple was torn into two, and the Holy Spirit of God no more dwell in temples build by human hands, but dwell in us we who believe in God and accept Jesus' death on the cross as atonement for our sins. Apostle Paul wrote to the church saying: "Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body." (1 Corinthians 6:19-20) Therefore from this point of view if we are going to speak about Jesus entry into Jerusalem's Temple we must understand that the Temple of God is we and God had pour out His love in our hearts by the Holy Spirit. So what we need to understand and emphasis here is that Jesus entry into our hearts and lives because we are the temple of God. Therefore the following lessons we can conclude from the above Scripture.

- 1- Jesus looking to help us and save us: Jesus entered Jerusalem riding on a colt and that it has a meaning. When a king enters a city to destroy it he ride on a horse. But Jesus was riding on a colt; His intention is not to destroy but to bring peace and order and blessings in Jerusalem. Jesus would enter your life not to harm you but to prosper you and give you hope and future. God is not the thing that we afraid of but the One that we should run to because in Him and through Him we can have peace, life to the full and eternity.
- **2-** Call unto Jesus Hosanna: The meaning of the word 'Hosanna' is save us. When Jesus entered Jerusalem the people were oppressed by the Romans and they wanted to be delivered from that bondage so they called out and shouted loudly to the Lord 'Hosanna.'

The same for you today, what are the things that oppress you and cause you disturbance in your life. You can cry and shout to the Lord Jesus *'Hosanna,'* save me Lord from this problem . The Lord sure will hear your cry for mercy and will save you.

But worthy to mention here that the same people who shouted to Jesus 'Hosanna!' they are the same crowd who shouted to Pilate about Jesus, 'Crucify Him.' What God wants to tell you here is this: If the Lord will deliver you from all your troubles then you need to be faithful to the Lord and don't go back and crucify Him again with your sinful nature and behaviours.

- 3- Jesus uses humble people: Jesus was in need for a vehicle to enter Jerusalem, so he rode a colt, a small donkey, and a humble animal that He can ride comfortably. And He told His disciple, "If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' tell him, 'The Lord needs it and will send it back here shortly." Jesus in need for people to serve Him, but He will ride and use only humble people. The Lord is looking for such kind of people for service. Jesus as he enters your life He wants you to be humble to guide you and lead you in the right path, as it is written "He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way." (Psalm 25:9)
- 4- The Lord looking for fruit in your life: Jesus was hungry so he went to the fig tree to find out if it had any fruit. Jesus He wants to see a real fruit in your life. God enters your life to see what kind of person you are. There is a sense of accountability. There are three main fruit that Jesus looking for in your life. A- Fruit of repentance: Jesus doesn't want to see sin ruling your life. B- Fruit of the Holy Spirit: "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law." (Galatians 5:22-23) Jesus wants to see you as a loving person with a good character and attitude marked with sound personality. 3- Fruit of new souls: Being disciples of Jesus with the first two fruit you ought to bring others to Christ and disciple them. Jesus is hungry to see all these things in your life.
- 5- Jesus will overturn evil setups and wrong things in your heart and life: When Jesus entered the temple He saw and noticed wrong things going on. The people used the temple for business, deals, selling and buying merchandise and for making money. The church should not be used for such purpose. Jesus is looking into the heart of people who are His church. God wants a clean heart to dwell in. "But among you there must not be even a hint of sexual immorality, or of any kind of impurity, or of greed, because these are improper for God's holy people." (Ephesians 5:3) Our heart should be clean before God. How we deal with one another this how we show our love to God. Our relationship does not depend on how much we can take but how much we can give from what God give us and how much we can contribute effectively to the body that we belong and how much we edify one another. God wants a clean heart to dwell in and live; such a place is God's temple.
- My Dear and Beloved: Jesus may enter into your life today in an unexpected way; He may turn tables and He may throw wrong things. Certain setup you might be comfortable with but according to the will of God it needs to be overturned. Give way to Jesus, and don't be upset, He wants to clean you up to live a good life for Him and enjoy it as you agree to pray.
- My Prayer: "Hosanna!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" Save me Lord from all my sins and transgressions. Wash me and cleanse me Lord, I want to be the person that you wants me to be. Lord Jesus thank you for the blood that you shed on the cross for my sins. Lord I invite you today to overturn tables in my heart and drive out things that is wrong in my life, this all I ask and pray in Jesus name Amen.