

DAILY BIBLE READINGS - Week of March 29, 2026
"Entry"

TRIUMPHAL ENTRY

Sunday Read Luke 19:29-38

" *Saying, Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord; peace in heaven, and glory in the highest.*" Palm Sunday is a celebration of the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. He was being treated as the King of Israel. This was obviously a premature celebration. I think those celebrants should be commended for their exaltation of Jesus, but they had missed what Jesus told them in Luke 24:7: "*Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.*" Jesus, I am sure, was appreciative of the royal welcome, but also saddened that these people had missed His message." Within a week, events transpired as God had prophesied: a crucifixion and resurrection! The real triumphal entry will be at His second coming.

BETHLEHEM

Monday Read Micah 5:1-2

"*But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting.*" The town that would go down in history is Bethlehem. That is where God chose to have Jesus to be born. We can conclude that no place is too small or no person too insignificant that he or she cannot be used of God to accomplish great things. God is never controlled by human limitations. Great Biblical examples are Joseph and David, both of whom would not have considered themselves to be worthy of doing great things for the kingdom of God. Humility qualifies a person for service.

DIVINE ORDERS

Tuesday Read Matthew 21:1-6

" *And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them.*" Jesus told a couple of His disciples to go into the city and bring back a donkey for Him to ride into the city. They obeyed and loosed the donkey as ordered and brought it to Jesus. It is truly amazing that only God could have known that the owner of the donkey would have no objection. How he became cooperative and not raise objections remains a mystery. What we do know is God is sovereign and is omniscient. Jesus knew all would work out favorably. Following God's commands is the best way to live.

ROYAL WELCOME

Wednesday..... Read Matthew 11:5-10

"For this is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee." It is common for dignitaries to announce their coming beforehand. So it is with Jesus, the Savior of the world and coming King of kings. God has given us signs to look for regarding the coming again of Jesus. As Christians look forward to the appearing of Jesus, we see many of those signs being fulfilled. Two of the most telling are the nations opposing Israel and the increase in lawlessness. We read this in Zechariah 14:3: *"Then shall the Lord go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle."* And we read this in II Thessalonians 2:7: *"For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way."*

TWO SIDED

ThursdayRead Matthew 12:25-30

"He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad." Of all the divisions of people in the world, the most important is the one concerning Jesus: believers and unbelievers. Division by geographical areas are important, but have only temporal consequence. Division by occupation has financial implications but not eternal meaning. The one that has eternal consequence is a person's relationship to Jesus: believer or unbelievers. Believers have eternal life in heaven; unbelievers, eternity in hell.

GOD'S TIMING

Friday Read Galatians 4:1-4

"But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law." It is one thing to do the will of God, but it is just as important to do things according to His perfect timing. It is the will of God that Jesus, God the Son, be the King of kings overall the earth, but that is yet to come. Before being the King of kings He had to be the Lamb of God. That is what the scribes and Pharisees missed, and they unfortunately became adversaries of Jesus rather than followers. All of us personally should seek to do the will of God, and do so in His time!

LORD'S PRAYER

Saturday.....Read Matthew 6:5-10

"Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven." The apostles of Jesus had noticed that Jesus took time to pray to His Father in heaven. They connected the miracles. Jesus performed to His commitment to pray. As a result, they asked Jesus to teach them to pray. The response of Jesus was what we now refer to as the Lord's Prayer. It is the model prayer. That prayer was recited at the beginning of every day in public schools up until 1963, when the Supreme

Court declared it to be unconstitutional because of the "establishment" clause. School achievement scores unfortunately, went on a downhill slide since that ruling.