

BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW: THE SAVING SUFFERING SACRIFICE

Sunday, April 9, 2017 -- A NEW WORLDVIEW series -- Msg 13 -- Pastor Andrew Coleman

The BIBLICAL WORLDVIEW 'story' or 'progressive narrative':

CREATION

Genesis 1-2
infinite God
(holy)



FALL

Genesis 3
finite man
(sinful)



REDEMPTION

Rest of Bible
God's grace
(forgiveness)



GLORY

Book of Revelation, et al
shared glory!
(salvation)

We come to savor the 'bitter sweetness' of Holy Week.

Holy Week encompasses: (read the Gospels! Matt. 21+; Mark 11+; Luke 19+; John 12+)

Palm Sunday -- Jesus's 'Triumphal Entry' into Jerusalem the week of Passover.

Monday and Tuesday -- Christ's final public teachings in Jerusalem/Bethany

Wednesday -- silent? (or perhaps teaches in Temple) Sanhedrin plots to kill Jesus

Thursday -- 'The Last Supper' where Jesus observes Passover with his disciples

Friday -- The arrest, abandonment, illegal trials, torture and crucifixion of Jesus

Saturday -- silent, disciples in hiding, Christ's body in the tomb

Resurrection Sunday -- at dawn Christ is found to be risen from the dead

Christ appears to some walking to Emmaus

Christ appears to many in hiding that evening

Palm Sunday:

Matthew 21:1-11

1 Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives, then Jesus sent two disciples, 2 saying to them, "Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. 3 If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, 'The Lord needs them,' and he will send them at once." 4 This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

5 *"Say to the daughter of Zion,
'Behold, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.'"*

6 The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. 7 They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. 8 Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, "**Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!**" 10 And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, "Who is this?" 11 And the crowds said, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee."

1) The fulfillment of prophecy: Jesus is the righteous Davidic Messiah

Riding on a colt -- Zechariah 9:9; Genesis 49:8-12;

daughter of Zion -- Isaiah 62:11 (the people of Jerusalem)

2) The response of the crowds: hailing a national Messiah.

cutting palm branches a festive tradition (feast of Tabernacles) Rev. 7:9-10

Hosanna! which means 'save now' or 'O save'.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord Psalm 118:25-26

We need Jesus's perspective on the events of Palm Sunday:

John 12:23-36

23 And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. 24 Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. 25 Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. 26 If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

27 "Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. 28 Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." 29 The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." 30 Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. 31 Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. 32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." 33 He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. 34 So the crowd answered him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" 35 So Jesus said to them, "The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. 36 While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light."

APPLICATION:

- 1) Our fallenness makes us prone to miss what God is doing around us.
- 2) The ways of God are diametrically opposite of the ways of man.
- 3) We have fickle hearts and minds.
- 4) The glory of God often comes through great pain and suffering.
- 5) The events of Holy Week reveal how great the depth and width and height of God's self-sacrificing love for us.
- 6) The time to believe is limited. If you see His truth and hear His call -- respond!