When Jesus Comes

Matthew 21:1-16

Feel free to use this guide "as is" or formulate it in a way that works best for your online group this week.

These three general questions will drive our discussion:

- 1. What did the Holy Spirit say to you through Sunday's sermon and the associated passage?
- 2. What are you going to do about it?
- 3. How can you pray for and encourage each other to do what God told you?

Sermon: When Jesus Comes **Text**: Matthew 21:1-16

Sermon Summary:

Even during our time dealing with the coronavirus, we still want to set time aside to prepare for Easter. What is it that we want Jesus to change during this time? Are we seeing the things He is wanting to change in us?

What did the Holy Spirit say to you through the sermon?

- Read the prophecy in Zechariah 9:8-10. Now read the story of the Triumphal Entry in Matthew 21:1-
- What were the people expecting from Jesus?
- What were you thinking that you want from Jesus? Why is this important to you?
- What do you think Jesus wants for you?

What are you going to do about it?

- What is Jesus trying to change in your life?
- What are some of the obstacles to living a fully committed life for Jesus that have now been removed by the restrictions of this pandemic?
- Have you committed to do the Holy Week daily Bible reading plan?
- Do the #jesuschangedmylife share your story challenge. Here's the weblink of Tim explaining it: https://vimeo.com/403796548/88848dcc07

How can others in the group encourage you and pray for you?

- How will you prepare your heart for our upcoming worship on Good Friday and Easter in order to receive all that Jesus has for you?
- Spend some time praying for each other and your concerns.

Scripture Memory:

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

Matthew 11:28-30

COVID-19 General Applications:

Confidence in God also gives us the ability to get our eyes off ourselves so we can serve others. Let's think beyond ourselves with these simple activities:

- Pray for your family, neighbors and coworkers that God would comfort them through these difficult times.
- Follow the direction of the CDC and local, state and federal entities. Senior Citizens and other higher-risk category people, please stay home and let others serve you during this time.
- Sign up on the HCBC website resource page to volunteer to serve someone in need at the church: https://www.hcbc.com/coronavirus/

Center for Biblical Engagement Study

This is the study Tim referred to in his sermon.