



Palm Sunday  
“The Lord Needs It”  
Luke 19:28-40  
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play in God's great big  
salvation story.

**Today is Palm Sunday—the beginning of Holy Week**

*Preaching a different kind of Palm Sunday sermon*

*Today we're focusing on the donkey Jesus rode...  
and what it symbolizes for us*

**YOU HAVE AN IMPORTANT ROLE TO PLAY IN GOD'S GREAT BIG  
SALVATION STORY**

**Luke 19:28-40**

- Jesus knew what he was facing if he went to Jerusalem
- He approaches the Mt of Olives from Bethany & Bethphage
- And then has his followers go and steal a donkey.
- What did this symbolize? Purity, Angaria, Sign of an Ideal King

**But still... it's a donkey**

*How we view donkeys—an oral history of sorts...*

*The Talmud, A Turkish Proverb, Shrek*

**If God can use even a lowly and humble creature for his great glory,  
how might he use you if you are willing?**

*G.K. Chesterton's poem encapsulates this notion...*

***Jesus fulfilled prophecy, proclaimed the kingdom and a symbol of  
sacrifice... and took the final step toward saving the world...***

**“The Lord Needs It?” - how do you hear that in your own life?**

*What excuses do you give? How do you dismiss it?*

*Deep inside, we long for more—we long to be valued  
Tanya Kach—how we believe the lies*

**You are invaluable to God's plans—you have kingdom purpose**

*Live into the hope of your worth in the eyes of God*

**JESUS CAN UNDO OUR INDIFFERENCE  
WHEN WE BEGIN TO SEE THE NEW THINGS GOD IS DOING**



**SERMON EXTRAS &  
FURTHER READING**

**FOR FURTHER READING:**

***Amy Jill-Devine***

*Entering the Passion of Holy Week*

***Raymond Brown***

*A Crucified Christ in Holy Week*

***Marcus Borg & Dominic Crossan***

*The Last Week*

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