



Welcoming The Deliverer

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I. Comfort Zones

II. Approaching Jerusalem

Luke 19:28-40

v. 28-31

Bethphage and Bethany

v. 32-35

Presentation & Prophecy

v. 36-40

The Multitude Rejoices

III. Drawing Near

Personal Reflection

Take time this week to pray & respond to the following:

A greeting is meant to convey appreciation and good will. It is a means of indicating that you are glad a visitor or guest has arrived. Oftentimes, the gladness is in anticipation of a benefit or blessing one is expecting from the interaction. Who we welcome into our sphere of interaction and relationships and how we welcome them reveals much about our values and character.

God does not force Himself on anyone. A relationship with Him exists because it is desired and pursued. A relationship with Him is possible because the Deliverer came to seek and save the lost. Jesus Christ, the Son of God and Savior of mankind, wants you to know the solace and security of a relationship with Him.

Being a Christian is about more than merely wanting to be saved; it is also about wanting God's involvement in your daily life. The world is full of people crying out for a Savior. Many however, are unwilling to let God take the lead in orchestrating their deliverance. The Lord is ready to save you from that which separate you from Him throughout eternity and that which impedes your relationship with Him in the present.

Have you welcomed the Lord into your life as your Savior? Have you welcomed Him into your life as your master and friend? What evidence is there to confirm your desire to have a closer relationship with Him? Are there strongholds of sin in your life that are hardening your heart to His leading?

Prayerfully express thanksgiving that God is always available and ready to lead you in truth and in love. Invite Him to have a deeper and higher priority in your life. Ask Him to help you be a welcoming ambassador of His love to those who do not yet know Him.