

## Are you wondering what it means to be a Christian?

Jesus said, "All that the Father gives me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will never drive away" (John 6:37). Jesus also said, "No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day" (John 6:44).

If you are feeling drawn to Christ, it is because God the Father is drawing you; it is not a desire we can or will create within ourselves. This also means that there is no sin too great to be forgiven, and no past too sinful to be overcome. You can trust Christ to receive you because it is God the Father who is drawing you to find true repentance and receive the gift of faith. You can know a new life in Jesus Christ.

We would love to talk and pray with you about this or any other spiritual needs you may have. Please see Pastor Mark or one of our elders after today's service to do so.

## Are you interested in Baptism or Church Membership?

Please indicate your interest on the back of your Connection Card and Pastor Mark or one of the elders will be in touch with you this week to set up a time to meet with you.

## THE HOUR HAS COME John 12:12-36

**Main Thought:** In John 12:12-36, we discover that the hour has come for the Son of Man to be revealed and glorified and how that hour can transform our lives.

### 1. JESUS REVEALS HIMSELF THROUGH THE \_\_\_\_\_ ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM. (vv 12-19)

- 1) The way in which Jesus entered Jerusalem was a fulfillment of \_\_\_\_\_. (Zech. 9:9)
- 2) A \_\_\_\_\_ welcome.

### 2. JESUS WILL BE GLORIFIED THROUGH HIS \_\_\_\_\_ ON THE CROSS. (vv 20-36)

- 1) The \_\_\_\_\_ Greeks. (vv 20-22)
- 2) God's ultimate aim in history is to \_\_\_\_\_ His Son.
- 3) The cross reveals God's \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ by...
  - (1) having all people come to Him alone for \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (2) nullifying the boastful works of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (3) by being the supreme \_\_\_\_\_ of God's perfect love and justice.

### 3. JESUS' HOUR CAN \_\_\_\_\_ YOUR LIFE

- 1) Die to yourself by putting your faith and trust in Jesus and receive \_\_\_\_\_ life. (v 25)
- 2) \_\_\_\_\_ and follow Jesus from that day forward. (v 26)
- 3) Live as \_\_\_\_\_ of light. (vv 35-36)

## **ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH GROUPS**

1. Read John 12:12-36 and ask the Holy Spirit to reveal God's truth to you as you read.

2. What do you learn about God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit) from this passage?

3. What do you learn about human beings/yourself from this passage?

4. What verse meant the most to you? Why?

5. What didn't you understand in the passage? What answers did you find for your questions?

6. What application(s) for your life do you take away from this passage?

Digging deeper:

7. Having previously avoided allowing a crowd to make him king, why did Jesus allow this crowd to acknowledge his kingship?

8. Why did Jesus ride into Jerusalem on a donkey? (See Zech. 9:9)

9. What does Hosanna mean? Where did the other phrases shouted by the crowd come from? (See Psalm 118:25-26)

10. Read Mark 11:1-11, Matthew 21:1-11, and Luke 19:28-44. What additional details about Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem do you learn?

11. Why were there Greeks coming to the Passover in Jerusalem? What did they want? Why do you think John mentions them?

12. How is Jesus glorified through his death on the cross?

13. How did Jesus feel about his upcoming death?

14. What did Jesus mean when he said, "Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life"?

15. What does it mean to live as children of light?