

## Like the Colt!

Cornerstone Community Church – Pastor Jerry Ernst  
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**Scripture:** Mark 11:1-11

**Numbers 22:22-35** - God used a donkey (Balaam) to talk.

**Donkey:** Donkeys were used as royal mounts in the ancient Near East. Jesus used this symbol, rather than a horse or chariot, to announce His Kingdom of peace.

### The Triumphal Entry - Jesus announcing He is the Messiah

**Zechariah 9:9** - "(9) Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O Daughter of Jerusalem! **Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey.**"

- **Daughter of Zion** – a personal title for Jerusalem.
- **Your King** – the Messiah predicted from God.
- **Just and having salvation** – the Savior who brings Divine salvation.
- **Lowly and riding on a donkey** – a symbol of Christ's lowliness & gentleness.

**Palm Sunday shows us true worshippers must...** (Mark 11:1-6)

...**OBEY** (Vs. 2) – "(2) saying to them, '**Go to the village ahead of you, ... you will find a colt tied there,**'"

...**BRING** (Vv. 2-3) - "(2) ...Untie it and **bring it here.**" (3) ...**The Lord needs it and will send it back here...**"

...**RELEASE** (Vv. 3, 6) – "(6) ...and the **people let them go.**"

### Like the Colt... (Mark 11:1-11)

**1)... YOU ARE NEEDED (Vv. 1-6)** - "(1) ... Jesus sent two of his disciples, (2) saying to them, 'Go to the village ahead of you, and just as you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, ... Untie it and bring it here. (3) If anyone asks you, 'Why are you doing this?' Tell him, 'The Lord has need of it...' (4) They went out and found a colt outside in the street,"

Jesus has chosen us for His work and ministry (Ephesians 2:10; 1<sup>st</sup> Peter 4:10-11)

Jesus has chosen us to worship Him (Hebrews 13:15)

**C.T. Studd** - "Some wish to live within the sound of church or chapel bell, I want to run a rescue shop within a yard of hell."

**2)... YOU ARE TO CARRY JESUS** - "(7) When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, **he sat on it.**"

The colt carried Jesus to over 200,000 people on Palm Sunday.

Like the colt, we are called to carry Jesus to people (Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 2:3-11).

**3)... YOU ARE TO BE UNDER JESUS' CONTROL** - "(7) When **they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it.**"

**James 4:7** - "(7) Therefore **submit** to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you."

**SUBMIT** (Gk): *Hupotasso*: "**line yourself up under; to come under.**"

**4)... YOU ARE TO BE FORGOTTEN AS CHRIST IS WORSHIPPED (vv. 8-10)**

*“(8) Many people spread their cloaks on the road, while others spread branches they had cut in the fields. (9) Those who went ahead and those who followed shouted, ‘Hosanna!’ ‘Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!’ (10) Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!’ ‘Hosanna in the highest!’”*

- The further the colt went - the more likely the crowd forgot the colt.

**John 3:30** *“(30) He must become greater; I must become less.”*

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- 1) Are you available to be used for Jesus?
- 2) Are you under Jesus’ control and Lordship?
- 3) Will you step aside when you serve – so others *only* see Jesus?