

# **Palm Sunday Questions**

## **John 12:12-36**

### **I. What kind of kingdom and king were people expecting?**

- A. The people were expecting an immediate establishment of the political and territorial kingdom of Israel (v.13; Psalm 118:25-26; Leviticus 23:40).
- B. The people were expecting a Sovereign King who will enter Jerusalem and reign forever (v.34; Daniel 7:13-14).

### **II. Why did Jesus ride a donkey on His triumphal entry into Jerusalem?**

- A. The use of a donkey fulfilled the Messianic prophecy of Zechariah 9:9 and identified Jesus with kings in the royal line of David (v.15; 1 Kings 1:32-34).
- B. The use of a donkey symbolized Jesus' arrival to Jerusalem as a servant king to offer peace to sinners (v.12; John 12:1, 19:14; Exodus 12:1-6).

### **III. What was the significance of the 'Greeks' who approached Jesus?**

- A. The Greeks illustrated that the exalted Jesus will draw all kinds of people to himself (v. 32; Romans 1:16).
- B. The Greeks prompted Jesus to remind us that we should live sacrificially rather than selfishly (vv.24-26).