

SERMON OUTLINE MARCH 20, 2016

"Donkey Sunday" John 12:12-19

INTRODUCTION *Military parades today & in Bible times, AND... donkeys*

I. JESUS' CHOICE OF RIDING A DONKEY TELLS US A LOT

- A. It tells us Old Testament Prophecy is being fulfilled (Zechariah 9)
- B. It tells us what enemies He has come to defeat
 - 1. Some thought: the Roman enemy
 - 2. Others supposed: the Jewish religious leaders
 - 3. Really the enemies were our enemies: sin, devil & death

+ the GPS cartoon: "you have reached your final destination"

II. JESUS GOES INTO BATTLE AGAINST THESE ENEMIES RIDING ON A DONKEY

- A. A donkey was the animal of peace, not the animal of war
- B. Jesus came as the Prince of Peace
- C. This Prince of Peace withstood all that sin, devil & death could throw against Him
- D. The peace He brought defeated our enemies & brought us peace with God

CONCLUSION: Victory parades, GPS's, AND... Donkeys!

(Blessed "Donkey Sunday" to you.)