

## **HOSANNA, LOUD HOSANNA**

March 28, 2021 Matthew 21:1-17

**It's Palm Sunday.** Consider these two important questions. Matthew 21:10, "When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, '**Who is this?**'" Matthew 21:16, "**Do you hear what these children are saying?**" they asked him.

**Who is Jesus? The children know.** Do you? Jeanette Threlfall wrote a poem in 1873, "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna." **Who is Jesus to you? So what?**

### **1. Will you praise Him?**

- Why do the children praise Jesus? "To Jesus who had blessed them, close folded to His breast." Math. 18:1-5, 19:13-15 How has Jesus blessed you?
- How did the children praise Jesus? Math. 21:15-16 "Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang..."
- Hosanna literally means "Please save or deliver me." Say to Jesus: Save me!
- John Piper wrote, "Hooray for salvation! It's coming! It's here! Salvation!"
- "For Christ is our Redeemer..." What is your salvation story?
- "The Lord of heav'n, our King!" That's my King!
- "O may we ever praise Him with heart and life and voice..."

### **2. Will you follow Him?**

- "From Olivet they (the children) **followed** 'mid an exultant crowd, the victor palm branches waiving, and chanting clear and loud."
- It was like a parade with Jesus riding a donkey into Jerusalem, down the Mount of Olives. "Rode on in lowly state."
- If you will follow Jesus on the mountain top, will you follow Him in the valley? "I have decided to follow Jesus..."
- Ask, "what would Jesus do?" Time is running out.
- "The King is coming."