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Day One - Sunday

Matthew 21:1; Mark 11:1; Luke 19:29; John 12:12

On Palm Sunday—six days before Jesus' death—people lined the streets, waving palms as He entered Jerusalem. It was the first-century equivalent of our ticker-tape parades for heroes down the streets of our city. Jesus' popularity was at an all-time high. His teaching had astonishing power. Jesus had changed people's hearts and healed them physically. He'd even recently brought Lazarus back from the dead!

By far, Jesus was one of the most popular people in the entire Middle East. But everyone who lined the streets had a different reason for waving those palms. Some were political activists - they'd heard Jesus had supernatural power, and they wanted Him to use it to free Israel from Roman rule. Others had loved ones who were sick or dying. They waved branches, hoping for physical healing. Some were onlookers merely looking for something to do, while others were genuine followers who wished Jesus would establish Himself as an earthly king.

Jesus was the only one in the parade who knew why He was going to Jerusalem—to die. He had a mission. Everyone else had an agenda. Things have not changed in two thousand years. People are still trying to push their agendas for what the power of God can do. What about you?

Assignment: Read the Biblical account of Jesus' triumphal entry. Put yourself there, standing on the curbside. What is the name of the coat you will throw down in the street to soften His ride? Pride? Self-sufficiency? Unforgiveness? Are you willing to lay down your agenda for His mission?

Pray now and commit these things to the Lord. Give Him praise, for He has come with a mission that will change your world! Will you let Him? If so, you're only six more days away from your own resurrection miracle!