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TEARS OF A LOVING AND MERCIFUL OMNIPOTENT KING

Palm Sunday is the day in the church year when we mark the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem for the last week of His life.

It's an event of great insight... and great misunderstanding.

HOW DID HE RESPOND?

"And when he drew near and saw the city, he wept over it, saying, 'Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes.'" (Luke 19: 41-42)

WE ADMIRE AND PRAISE A LOVING AND MERCIFUL OMNIPOTENT KING

- **HE IS OMNIPOTENT!**

V. 37: *"As he was drawing near – already on the way down the Mount of Olives – the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen."*

- **HE IS KING!**

V. 38. The crowds cried out: *"Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"*

Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this." (Isaiah 9:7)

- **HE IS TO BE PRAISED!**

V. 40. When the Pharisees tell him to make the people stop blessing him as an omnipotent king, he answers, *"I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."*

- **HE IS LOVING AND MERCIFUL**

1. Jesus' love and mercy is tenderly moved.
2. Jesus' love and mercy is self-denying.
3. Jesus' love and mercy moves Him to help.

JESUS ENTERS OUR MIDST THIS MORNING

- What does He see?
- May we see and savor the beauty of Christ – the Palm Sunday Tears of a loving and merciful omnipotent King. And, as we admire and praise Him, may we be changed by Him and by what we see and become a more tenderly-moved, self-denying, need-meeting people.