**A FEW OBSERVATIONS ABOUT PALM SUNDAY…**

DYK: The Gospels Devote 1/3rd of their writings to Jesus’ final WEEK.

**#1) Jesus Still Invites Us To JOIN Him In Ministry.**

***28****After Jesus had said this, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem.* ***29****As he approached* ***Bethphage and Bethany****at the hill called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of his disciples, saying to them,****30****“****Go*** *to the village ahead of you, and as you enter it, you will find a* ***colt*** *tied there, which no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here.* Luke 19:28-30

**#2) Jesus Still Equips Us On What To SAY.**

***31****If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’* ***say, ‘The Lord needs it****.’”* ***32****Those who were sent ahead went and found it just as he had told them.****33****As they were untying the colt, its owners asked them, “Why are you untying the colt?”* ***34****They replied, “The Lord needs it.”* Luke 19:31-34

**#3) Jesus Fulfilled 450-Year-Old Messianic PROPHECY.**

***35****They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and* ***put Jesus on it****.****36****As he went along, people spread their* ***cloaks on the road****.* Luke 19:35-36

**Prophetic Messianic fulfillment:**

*Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion! Shout, Daughter Jerusalem! See, your king comes to you, righteous and victorious, lowly and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey*. Zechariah 9:9

**#4) Note: The World Still Wants To See Dead-Things Come To LIFE.**

***9****Meanwhile a large crowd of Jews found out that Jesus was there and came, not only because of him but* ***also to see Lazarus****, whom he had raised from the dead.****10****So the chief priests made plans to kill Lazarus as well,****11****for on account of him many of the Jews were going over to Jesus and* ***believing in him****.* John 12:9-11

***17****Now the crowd that was with him when he called Lazarus from the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to* ***spread the word****.* ***18****Many people, because they had heard that he had performed this sign, went out to meet him.*  John 12:17-18

**#5) Jesus Still Wants To Hear Our PRAISES.**

***37****When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices* ***for all the miracles they had seen****:* ***38****“Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!”* Luke 19:37-38

***13****They took* ***palm branches****and went out to meet him, shouting, “****Hosanna****!” “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!” “Blessed is the king of Israel!”* John 12:13

***39****Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, “Teacher, rebuke your disciples!”* ***40****“I tell you,” he replied, “if they keep quiet****, the stones will cry out****.”* Luke 19:39-40

**#6) Jesus’ HEART Still Breaks Over Those Who Won’t/Don’t Believe.**

***41****As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city,* ***he wept over it******42****and said,*

*“If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace—but now it is hidden from your eyes.* Luke 19:41-42

***43****The* ***days will come upon you*** *when your enemies will…* ***44*** *not leave one stone on another,****because you did not recognize the time of God’s coming to you****.”* Luke 19:43-44