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Delivered Up (Easter Series) Plans – Matthew 21:1-11

Have you ever noticed how many times your plans run into conflict with God's plans? It happens often. It even happened when Jesus was entering into Jerusalem. Matthew 20:18 tells us, "And the Son of Man will be delivered over." When Jesus entered Jerusalem, He entered with a specific and purposeful plan. The plan was to die for our sins so that we could be raised in justification. That is not the plan the people in Jerusalem were looking for. They wanted something more temporal. Matthew 21:1-11 reveals to us the difference in God's plan and the people's plan and why God's plan is always better.

Additional Verses:

Genesis 49:10-11 Deuteronomy 18:15-19 1 Kings 1:33 2 Kings 9:13 Zechariah 9:9-10 Luke 19:28-44 Romans 5:10

Outline:

1. God's plan as Jesus enters Jerusalem.

2. People's plan as Jesus enters Jerusalem.

Study Questions:

1. How does Jesus entering Jerusalem fulfill God's plan? Why is God's plan better than what the people wanted?

2. Read Zechariah 9:9. How is the king described? What do these descriptions tell you about the coming king?

3. Read Luke 19:28-44. What does Luke record in the Triumphal Entry that Matthew does not? (Hint: verse 38) What is Jesus referring to in verse 42? What does that tell you about His plan?

4. Read Zechariah 9:10. Does this refer to Jesus' first or second coming? Which would you say is the Triumphal Entry?

5. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?