

Blessed Is the King Who Comes in The Name of the Lord

Luke 19:35-40

Jesus _____

Luke 19:41 As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it.

Normally, when I hear the world weep, I think of someone shedding a few tears, but the Greek word used in this text for wept suggests soul wracking, gut wrenching, and teeth gritting sobbing.

- This was the type of weeping that one would do at the death of a family member or friend. John 11:33
- The type of weeping like Mary Magdalene's sobs at Jesus' tomb. John 20:11-12
- The type of weeping like Peter's "bitter" weeping after denying Jesus and hearing the rooster crow. Luke 22:61-62
- The type of weeping when John the revelator wept bitterly when he thought that no one could be found worthy to open the scroll of God. Revelation 5:4-5

Jesus Wept _____ for the People of Jerusalem. But _____? Luke 19:41 -44

1. **Jesus wept for the people who would be _____ when the city would be _____.**
2. **Jesus wept because the people had _____ their _____ with God.**
(v 44b) because you did not recognize the time of God's coming to you." (NIV)
(...because you did not know the time of your visitation. NKJ)

When everyone else was having a party, Jesus was moved with compassion for the lost. Jesus himself came to give them abundant life, and they missed it!

Jesus has a heart for lost people. He was moved with compassion for them. Matthew 9:36-38
May our hearts be filled with love for the lost and, like Jesus, be moved with compassion.

_____ Visitations

One of the most exciting things for me, as a pastor, is that God shows me things that He wants to do.

One of the most painful things for me, as a pastor, is that God shows me things that He wants to do.

- The pain comes when God shows me what He can and desires to do in my life, in your life, in the life of this church, and in unbelievers, yet they walk away from Him. We miss it, the time of our visitation.
 - I believe there is one thing that grieves the heart of God more than anything else. It is when He is actively doing something right in our midst, and we totally miss it.

What If We _____ God?

Matthew 21:10-11 The word used for "stirred" here is the word "seio" in which we get our word "seismic."

- The city was stirred as an earthquake "stirs" the ground! A seismic event!
- I believe God wants to shake our city. A move of His Spirit of seismic proportions!

Let's not miss the time of our visitation.

Next Step: Over the next two weeks I will try my best to bring someone to Palm Sunday and/or Good Friday to hear and experience "The Wonderful Cross."

Next Step: I will also do everything possible to bring someone on Easter Sunday to hear about "Living the Resurrection Life." I don't want to miss the time of God's visitation!

Life App Group and Family Devotional Application

1. What is Palm Sunday all about?
2. When everyone else was having a party, what was Jesus doing? And to what extent?
3. Can we get so caught up in the joy and celebration of life that we miss the heart of God?
4. What were the two reasons Jesus wept so violently?
5. Have you ever missed a visitation of God? Is missing an opportunity from God a probability for us today? What are some of the distractions in life that may cause us to miss what God is feeling?
6. What could happen if we don't miss the time of our visitation? Could a seismic move of God still happen or are we passed the chances of revival?
7. Who will you invite to our Palm Sunday, Good Friday, and Easter events? Let's not miss our visitation.