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Palm Sunday – Mystery, Drama, and Hope

A Donkey bringing blessings of His Kingdom – Zech. 9:9

Palms and the "Freedom Fighters"

Politics and religion – Pharisees and Sadducees

Sheep selection day and the Lamb of God

But how does hope fit in? – How does _____ story fit into _____ story?

"And all were astonished at the majesty of God. But while they were all marveling at everything He was doing, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let these words sink into your ears: The Son of Man is about to be delivered into the hands of men.'" Lk 9:43-44 ESV

And so it begins...

"When the days drew near for Him to be taken up (ascension), He set his face to go to Jerusalem. And He sent messengers ahead of Him, who went and entered a village of the Samaritans, to make preparations for Him. But the people did not receive Him, because His face was set toward Jerusalem." Lk 9:51-53 ESV

"set His face" – "steadfastly set His face" (KJV) – "Jesus resolutely set out" (NIV) Emphatic – "He Himself set His face steadfastly" (Wuest)

His Heart on His _____...

"And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, He began to tell them what was to happen to Him," Mark 10:32 ESV

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His Heart _____

Isaiah 50 speaks in _____ to a "doubting Zion" and _____ to doubting, hurting people throughout the ages! – Does God care? Am I beyond hope?

Vs 2 – When God showed up, no greeting or welcome... treated _____

Vs 2 - He was showing up in the same _____ that He has always had!

Vs 3 – Heaven is grieving over their _____ misery!

Vs 4-9 - Understanding the heart of God and His “_____”

Compassionate Understanding – The King _____

Vs 4 “The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with a word him who is weary.”

“those who are taught” – _____ in Is. 8:16 – intimate association with the needed wisdom to help “in season” (AMP)

- o “learned obedience through what He suffered” – Hebrews 5:8
- o “in every respect has been tempted as we are...” – Heb 4:15
- o Jesus came to save and not condemn – John 3:16-17

“sustain” – _____ to help! – immediate and willing response

“him who is weary” – (with suffering and self-torture) _____, faint, weak, tired of the fight

Relentless Pursuit – The King _____

“Morning by morning He awakens; He awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught.”

Humble Persistence – The King Bows

Vs 5 “The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backward.”

“opened my ear” - an allusion to Ex. 21:5,6 - Willing life _____!

“not rebellious” – did not make Himself rigid against _____!

“turned not backward” – Embraced the suffering – never takes a _____!

Limitless Love – The King Sacrifices

Vs 6 “I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from *disgrace* and *spitting*.” (inflicted by others)

Loving _____ – The King Sets Out

Vs 7 “**But the Lord GOD helps me**; therefore I have not been *disgraced*; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to *shame*.”

(Difference from being shamed and feeling shame)

Victorious _____ – The King Stands in Victory!

Vs 8 “He who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let **us** stand up together. Who is my adversary? Let him come near to me. **9 Behold, the Lord GOD helps me**; who will declare me *guilty*? Behold, all of them will wear out like a garment; the moth will eat them up.”

A Tale of Two Hearts

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_____ Heart - **Vs 10** – Hope for those with heavy, dark, and burdened hearts

_____ Heart - **Vs 11** – No rest, peace, or hope... (self-inflicted)