

Come and See: How the King Comes
John 12:12-28

How the True King of God's People Comes:

He Comes in Obedience/Dependence - Jo 12:27

- Everything He said and did was under authority - Jo 5:19, 30; 6:38; 8:29; 12:49-50

He Comes in Humility - Jo 12:14-15

- Riding the donkey portrayed the modesty/meekness of Christ - Zech 9:9

He Comes Sacrificially - Jo 12:12, 24, 32-33

- His coming to Jerusalem was an act of love - Jo 3:16

He Comes to Glorify His Father - Jo 12:28

- To put God in the spotlight, not Himself

How the True King of God Comes into and through God's People:

In Our Obedience/Dependence - Jo 12:24

- a death to our independence
- fruitfulness follows the obedience of faith - 12:24

In Losing Ourselves in Christ - Jo 12:25

- a death to self-preservation
- fruitfulness calls for renouncing the natural as ultimate reality

In a Willingness to Serve - Jo 12:26

- a death to self-service - Lk 22:27
- fruitfulness is in the poured out life

In a Readiness to Glorify God - Jo 12:23

- a death to self-glorification
- fruitfulness is in being conformable to Christ, not in being comfortable