

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

From Plan To Purpose | John 12:12-19

MAIN IDEA

The gospel doesn't give us the hero we want, but the hero we need.

Outline

- 1) The Crowd
- 2) The Hero
- 3) Us

Pre Questions

1. When you hear the phrase "from plan to purpose," what personal experiences or thoughts come to mind?
2. How has the concept of moving from your own plans to embracing God's purpose played a role in your spiritual journey?

QUESTIONS

THE CROWD (JOHN 12:12-13)

1. The crowd welcomed Jesus with palm branches, expecting a political savior. How do our expectations of Jesus sometimes differ from who He truly is?
2. In what ways can we align our expectations with the true nature and mission of Christ?

THE HERO (JOHN 12:14-15)

3. Jesus enters Jerusalem on a donkey, symbolizing peace rather than conquest. How does this choice reflect the kind of hero Jesus is?
4. What does this teach us about the nature of God's purpose compared to human plans?

US (JOHN 12:16-19)

5. The disciples did not understand these things at first but later realized their significance. How have you experienced moments where God's purpose became clear only in hindsight?
6. How can we cultivate trust in God's purpose, even when it doesn't align with our immediate plans?

Application Questions

7. Identify areas in your life where your personal plans may be overshadowing God's purpose. What steps can you take to surrender those plans to Him?
8. How can our church community support one another in discerning and embracing God's purpose over our own plans?
9. What practical actions can you take this week to live out God's purpose, even if it challenges your personal expectations?