

## Lesson 81: John 12:12-19

### 1. Chapter 12 Theme: \_\_\_\_\_

#### a. We learned from Mary and Lazarus that:

- 1) A believer \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus.
- 2) A believer is not ashamed to \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus nor is a believer ashamed to \_\_\_\_\_ that Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ of his/her life.
- 3) A believer bestows upon the Lord the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ due Him and gives Him the \_\_\_\_\_ for whatever glory or honor he/she might possess or achieve.
- 4) Once a person's life has been touched by Jesus Christ people should \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ in that person.

#### b. We learned from Judas Iscariot and the Chief Priests that:

- 1) Evil will \_\_\_\_\_ to be a \_\_\_\_\_.
- 2) Evil will \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ about others in order to achieve its purpose.
- 3) Evil will \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ the good works of a believer.
- 4) Evil will one day be \_\_\_\_\_ from Jesus \_\_\_\_\_.
- 5) Evil will seek to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ that proves the spiritual truth stated by Jesus in John 11:25.

### 2. Read v12-19: The People vs. the Pharisees:

#### a. Although these people were most likely seeking “salvation from the oppression of Rome, not the spiritual salvation that Christ offered,”<sup>i</sup> their actions do provide a beautiful illustration of the attributes of believers.

- 1) Believers \_\_\_\_\_ who Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ and they \_\_\_\_\_ what He \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.
- a) Verse 13 informs us that the people “took branches of palm trees, and went forth to meet him”, why?
  - 1] Palm trees are a symbol of \_\_\_\_\_.

a] *Read* Psalm 92:12.

b] A \_\_\_\_\_ person is likened to a palm tree because it cannot be \_\_\_\_\_ from its perfect \_\_\_\_\_ nor does it \_\_\_\_\_ from season to season.

2] Furthermore, palm trees are associated with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

a] *Read* Exodus 15:22-27.

b] The word Elim means “\_\_\_\_\_”.

c] Since the presence of palm trees also meant the presence of \_\_\_\_\_, food in the form of an oblong fruit called a \_\_\_\_\_, and a \_\_\_\_\_ used as a sweetener and for making wine, they came to denote a place of \_\_\_\_\_ in the midst of the wilderness.

3] The Jews also used the branches of palm trees as emblems of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

b) Coupled with spreading the palm branches before Jesus the people cried, “Hosanna: Blessed is the King of Israel that cometh in the name of the Lord.”

1] The word Hosanna means “\_\_\_\_\_” or “\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, O Lord”.

2] Believers acknowledge that Jesus is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the world who came to \_\_\_\_\_ and bring \_\_\_\_\_ to all those who choose to make Him the Lord of their life.

3] Believers recognize that Jesus is the one and only spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ in the midst of the wilderness of \_\_\_\_\_ that surrounds them.

4] *Read* John 6:35.

2) Verses 17 and 18 reveal the second characteristic of believers contained in this passage, which is once a person has witnessed the awesome power of God that person cannot help but to \_\_\_\_\_ about his or her experience.

a) *Read* Matthew 10:32-33.

b) *Read* Romans 10:10-11.

- c) *Read* Luke 19:35-40. Verse 40 expresses the overwhelming \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ for God's children to publicly \_\_\_\_\_ their belief in Jesus and to openly offer \_\_\_\_\_ unto His name.
- b. The statement made by the Pharisees in verse 19 uncover the next characteristic of evil:**
- 1) Evil will do everything it can to succeed in \_\_\_\_\_ believers from \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.
    - a) *Read* Acts 4:1-21.
    - b) *Read* Acts 5:12-42.
  - 2) Just as the Pharisees in verse 19 of this chapter of John's Gospel had come to realize, try as it might, evil cannot \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ believers from \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.
- 3. Homework:** Study John 12:20-50 and identify how many teachings concerning good and evil, believers and unbelievers that Jesus provides in these verses.

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<sup>i</sup>Ryrie, *The Ryrie Study Bible Expanded Edition*, 1456.