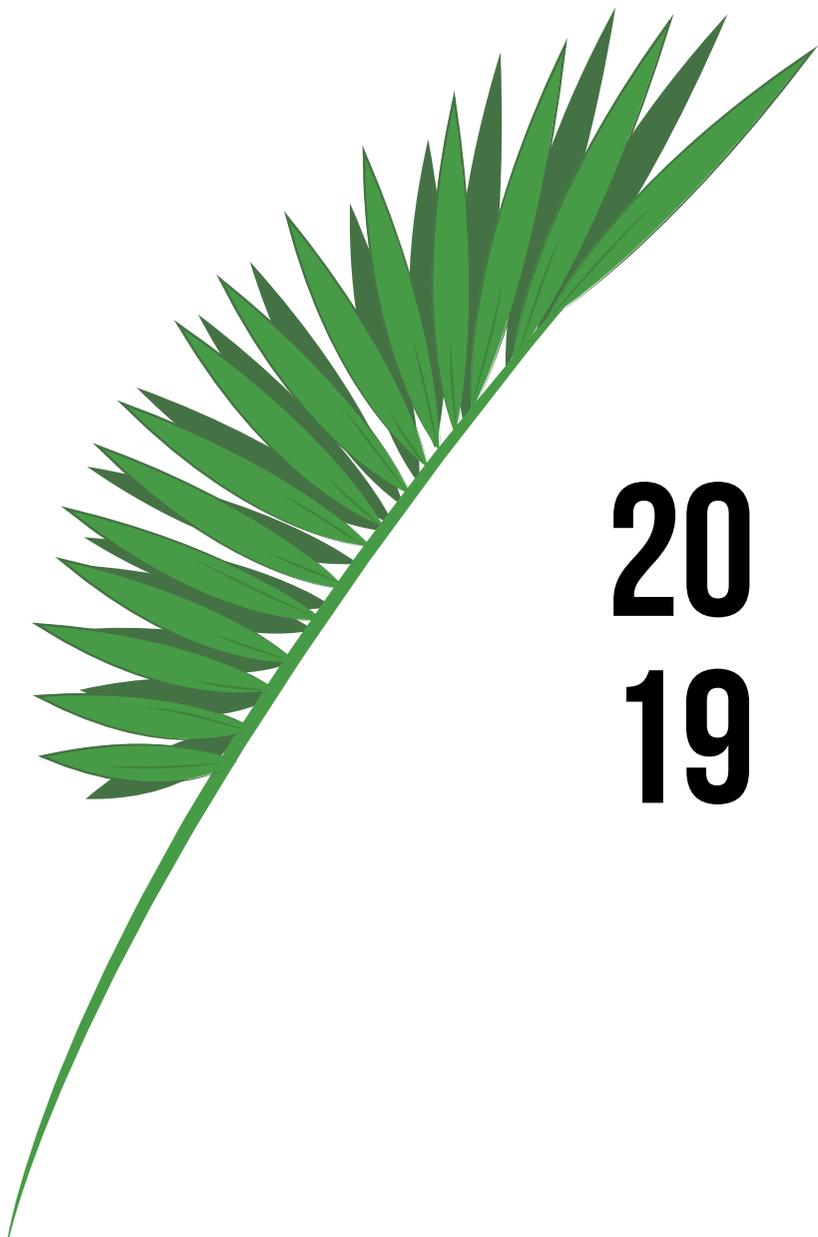


Palm Sunday

Let Your Donkey Go!



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We're in the Year of Breakthrough!

Are you sitting on the fence regarding being truly sold out for Jesus? Give up the things that are holding you back so the anointing of God can cause you to operate in power! – Don't delay--- respond today.



Zechariah 9:9

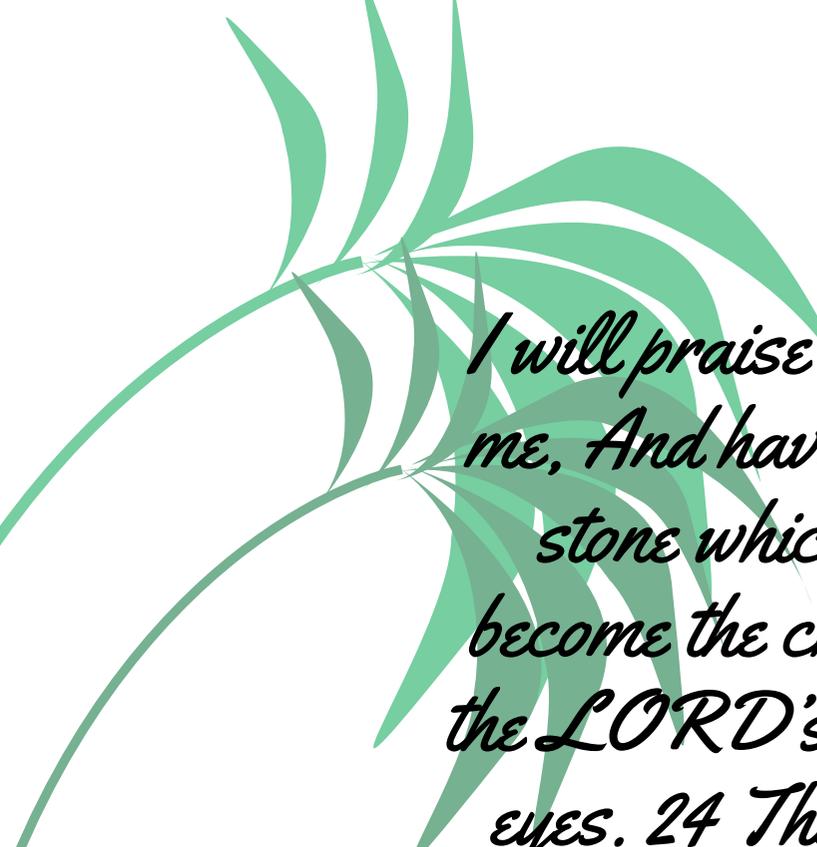
*Rejoice greatly, Daughter Zion!
Shout, Daughter Jerusalem!
See, your king comes to you,
righteous and victorious, lowly
and riding on a donkey, on a colt,
the foal of a donkey.*



When a King goes out to conquer in war he goes out on a steed, or a fine horse. But when he comes in peace, no longer needing to fight, he comes on a donkey.

Jesus didn't come to war against us, He came in peace!

He did however come to war against sin!



PSALM 118

I will praise You, For You have answered me, And have become my salvation. 22 The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone. 23 This was the LORD's doing; It is marvellous in our eyes. 24 This is the day the LORD has made; We will rejoice and be glad in it. 25 Save now, I pray, O LORD; O LORD, I pray, send now prosperity. 26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD! We have blessed you from the house of the LORD.



Psalm 118:22-26, Vs. 26, This is the verse they were proclaiming in Zechariah 9:9

The people cast down their garments which would of cost them something.

Luke 19, no one had sat on this donkey before. It was an untamed donkey, but sometimes the Lord asks us to do things that don't make sense in the natural!

Illustration: Let's imagine one day you're sitting in your dining room eating breakfast. You hear a car start and you look out the window. You see two men in your car putting it in reverse and you ask.. What are you doing with my vehicle? They roll down the windows and yell out.. "No worries, the Lord is in need of it."



What is the
Donkey sitting in
your driveway?
Something you
identify with, a
job? spouse?
comfort?
something you go
to or think of
before Jesus.



God will not ask us to give what we don't have.

We may not feel we have anything significant to give, but God sometimes takes simple things and uses them in great ways.

· Moses was asked to give his walking stick Ex 4:2 (Identified him as a Shepherd)



- Rahab gave a part of her home to hide the spies Josh 2:1 (Identified her as a prostitute)

· The widow at Zarephath gave the last of her oil and flour to make a meal for Elijah (1 King 17)

· The Rich Shunammite woman gave a room of her home to Elisha (Identified her as wealthy) (2 King 4)



- The widow gave her two cents (Luke 21:2)
- the young boy gave his five loaves and two fish (John 6:9)
- The early church shared their possessions with those who had a need (Acts 4)

In each of these cases, these people gave what they had, to be used by the Lord.



01

Putting time restrictions on God

How long do you need my donkey?

We want it now- Ill go to church for a couple hours--- and that will last me for the week.

I'll read my bible—and I'll satisfy God enough to love me and then for the rest of the day I'll do my thing.

Time- the most valuable thing you have available to you.



01

Putting time restrictions on God



Illustration:

Suppose you had an extra \$10,000 (and were unwilling to give it to the church). And suppose you gave that \$10,000 to a broker to invest on your behalf. What would you expect to happen? Have you ever wondered what God thinks when He sees us wasting the time that He has given us? Or worse, when He sees us squandering the gifting/talents/calling and opportunities He has entrusted to us?

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Ephesians 5:16

*Making the best use of the
time, because the days are
evil.*

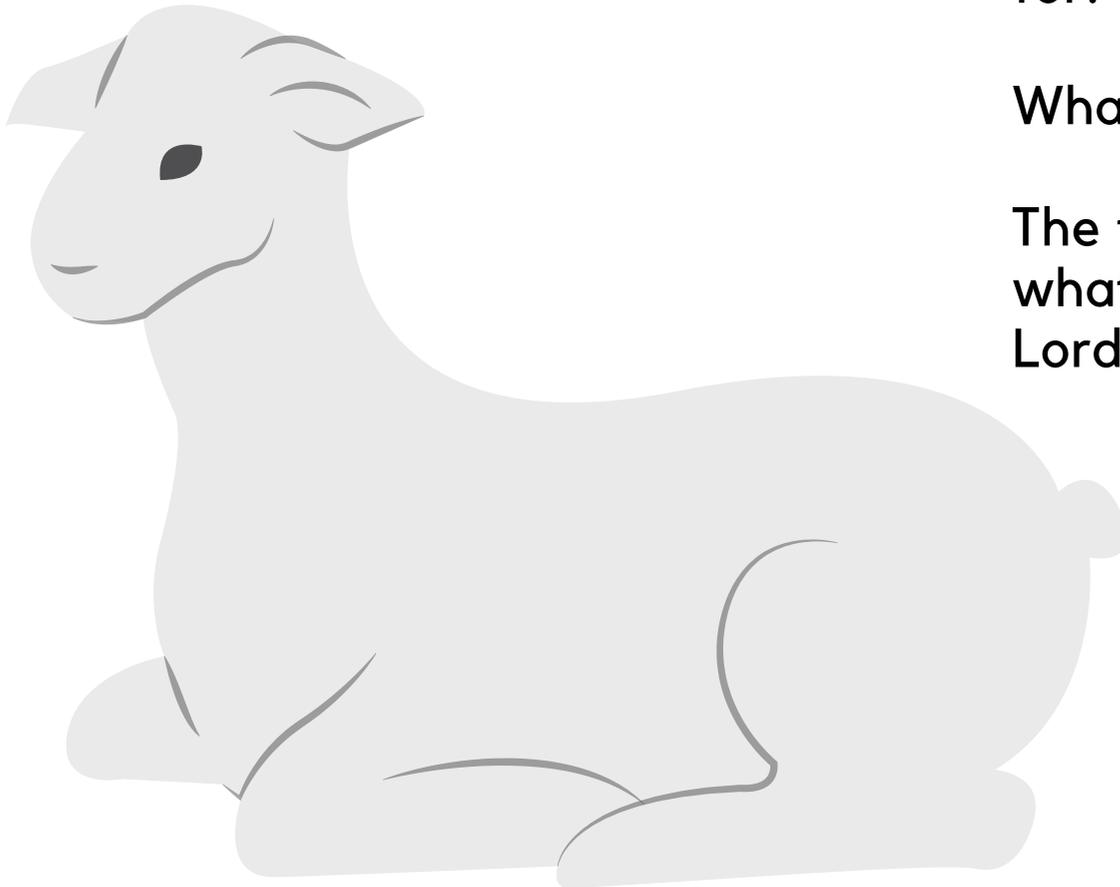
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Putting sacrifice restrictions on God

How far will you travel with my donkey Lord? And will you make sure he is cared for?

What could you give?

The true believer knows that what we have belongs to the Lord.



There is a legend about an ancient village in Spain. The villagers learned that the King would pay a visit and wanted to present their best collective wine to him. The day before the King's arrival, hundreds of people lined up to make their offering to the honored guest. They climbed a small stairway, and poured their gift through a small opening at the top. Finally, the vat was full! The King arrived, was escorted to the square, given a silver cup and was told to draw some wine, which represented the best the villagers had. He placed the cup under the spigot, turned the handle, and then drank the wine, but it was nothing more than water! You see every villager reasoned, "I'll withhold my best wine and substitute water, because with so many cups of wine in the vat, the king will never know the difference!" The problem was, everyone thought the same thing, and the King was greatly dishonored.

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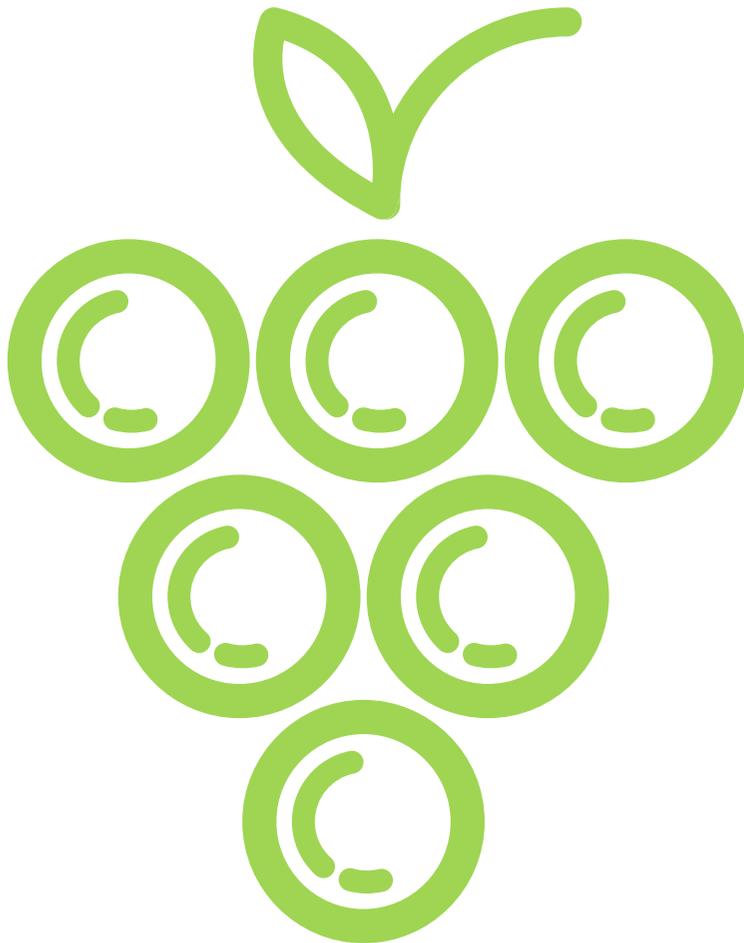
Putting sacrifice restrictions on God

We think that everyone else is sacrificing and giving so the Lord won't notice if I give a little less.

However it's behind the heart that is giving.

Romans 12:11,

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God-this is your true and proper worship.



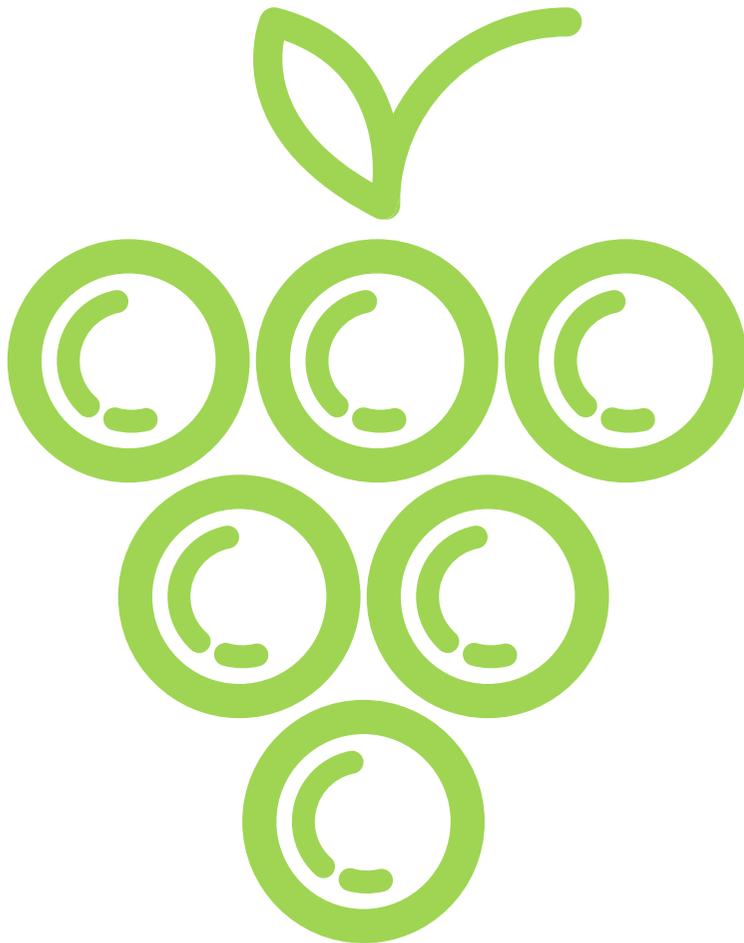
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Putting commitment restrictions on God

Will you sign this "rental agreement Lord?" And will you bring him back when you are finished?

I'll commit only if I'm guaranteed this outcome. I'll guarantee my part of the contract if you fulfil this part that I require.

Sacrifice is far beyond convenience.



A little girl walking in a garden noticed a particularly beautiful flower. She admired its beauty and enjoyed its fragrance. "It's so pretty!" she exclaimed.

As she gazed on it, her eyes followed the stem down to the soil in which it grew. "This flower is too pretty to be planted in such dirt!" she cried. So she pulled it up by its roots and ran to the water faucet to wash away the soil. It wasn't long until the flower wilted and died.

When the gardener saw what the little girl had done, he exclaimed, "You have destroyed my finest plant!"

"I'm sorry, but I didn't like it in that dirt," she said. The gardener replied,

"I chose that spot and mixed the soil because I knew that only there could it grow to be a beautiful flower."

God has placed us exactly where we are. We must trust him. In the trusting we eventually see that He is using our pressures, trials, and difficulties to bring us to a new degree of spiritual beauty. True contentment comes when we accept what God is doing and thank Him for it.

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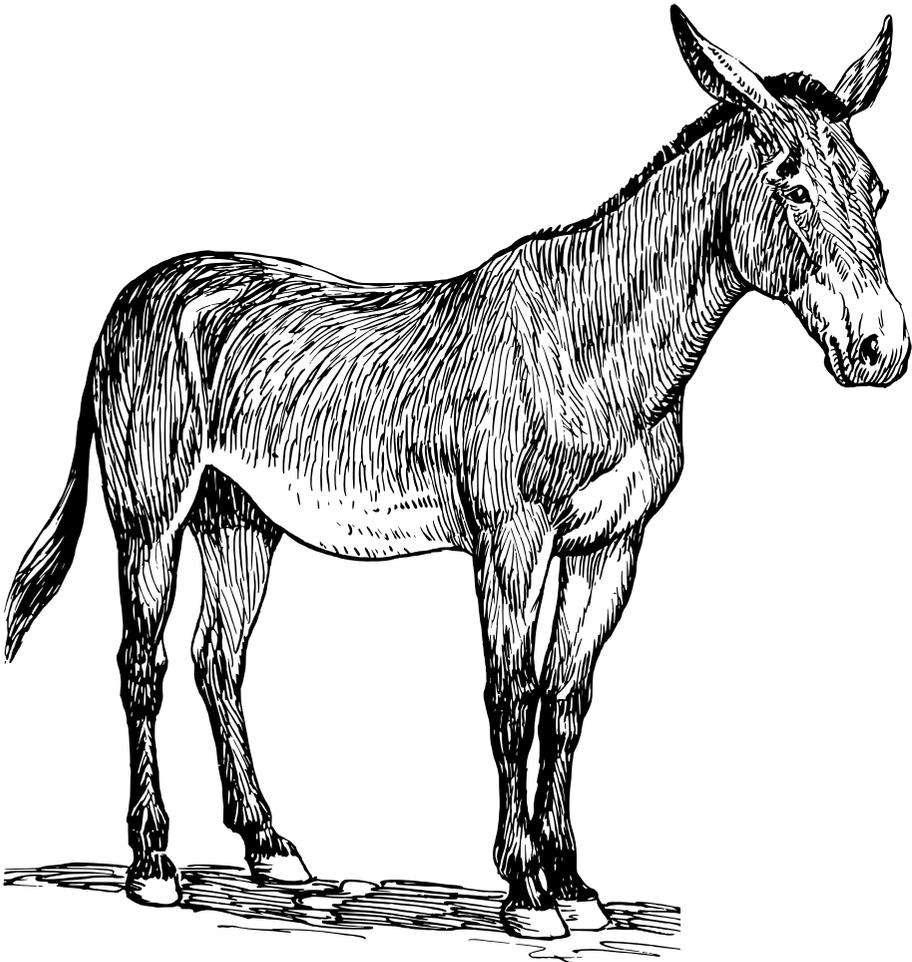
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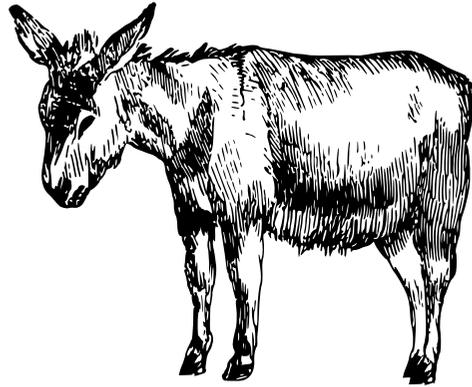
The man gave his donkey . . . it was valuable to him.

But look at how much more valuable it became when placed in the hands of Jesus.

His donkey was had a part in fulfilling prophecy, this donkey transported the Lord of All Creation.

This donkey (and it's owner) have been remembered for two thousand years because of their simple act.





What is the one thing you have to give up to participate in Jesus' triumphal entry and glorification in this world? What can you give today that can magnify and glorify who He is?!

Thank You!

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