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CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE



Order of Worship
2 April 2023
Palm Sunday - The Sixth Sunday in Lent

We Gather to Worship God

Welcome
Worship in Song
Call to Worship
Worship in Song
Baptism of Whalen McLean
Worship in Song

We Listen to the Word

Prayer Sermon Series: Eyewitness Sermon: "Week 6 - The Crowd"

We Come to the Table

Prayer of Confession and Consecration
The Lord's Prayer
We Eat and Drink Together
We Celebrate the Eucharist in Song
Prayer

We Go to Live in the Reign of God

Community Life/Gossiping the Good Stuff
Doxology
Blessing and Sending

Words to music, responsive readings and The Lord's Prayer will be on the screen







For a complete list of ongoing ministries and upcoming events, please visit tablelifechurch.org.

Doggy Bag-Some questions to chew on:



- 1. Has there ever been a time when circumstances looked one way but turned out to be or mean something else entirely?
- 2. What can be positive about crowds? What can be negative? Have you ever witnessed God through a crowd's presence?
- 3. What are the usual explanations of how the crowd goes from cheering Jesus to jeering Jesus? How does the idea of the Three Crowds change that?
- 4. What do each of the Three Crowds show about Jesus? What kinds of people would you consider to be part of each of the Three Crowds today?
- 5. What differences and similarities do you see between the crowds and the disciples?
- 6. Which crowd(s) have you been a part of? What led you to step out and follow Jesus: How and when did Jesus become real to you?

If you'd like to talk personally and confidentially w/ Pastor Kris about following Christ, please email pastorkris@tablelifechurch.org or call 717-774-6444 to set up an appointment.



Eyewitness "Week 6 - The Crowd" Pastor Kris Beckert

There are times when circumstances look one way but turn out to be something else entirely...

I. Today's Eyewitnesses:
 All four gospels tell the story of
 When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the crowds shouted
 When Jesus was arrested a few days later, the crowds shouted
Greek word ochlos (ὅχλος) =
A Good Question: Why were the crowds?
II. Holy Week: A Story of Crowds
Crowd #1: The Crowd of
Matthew 21:6-11 The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. ⁷ They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. ⁸ A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them

on the road. ⁹ The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest heaven!" ¹⁰ When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" ¹¹ The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

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 Timeline between Palm Sunday and Good Friday: 	
o Monday: Jesus clears the	
o Tuesday: Return to	
Matthew 21:46 They looked for a way to arrest him, but they were afraid of the crowd because the people held that he was a prophet.	
o Wednesday:	
Thursday: Passover and Jesus goes to to pray, with 3 disciples	
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Matthew 26:47 While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived. With him was a large crowd armed with swords and clubs, sent from the chief priests and the elders of the people.

Crowd #2: The Crowd a	ł
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Matthew 27:20-22 But the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus executed. ²¹ "Which of the two do you want me to release to you?" asked the governor. "Barabbas," they answered. ²² "What shall I do, then, with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" Pilate asked. They all answered, "Crucify him!"

This Crowd consisted of mainly because
Crowd #3: The Crowd at
Luke 23:26-27 As the soldiers led him away, they seized Simon from Cyrene, who was on his way in from the country, and put the cross on him and made him carry it behind Jesus. ²⁷ A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him.
This Crowd consisted of because
Big Idea: