

Make Way!

4.2.23 || Palm Sunday
Joy! Church
We love you. Yes, you

Foundational scriptures

For today's happenings

- ▶ Matthew 21:1-11
- ▶ Mark 11:1-11
- ▶ Luke 19:11-44
- ▶ John 12:9-19
- ▶ John 12:20-33

For context

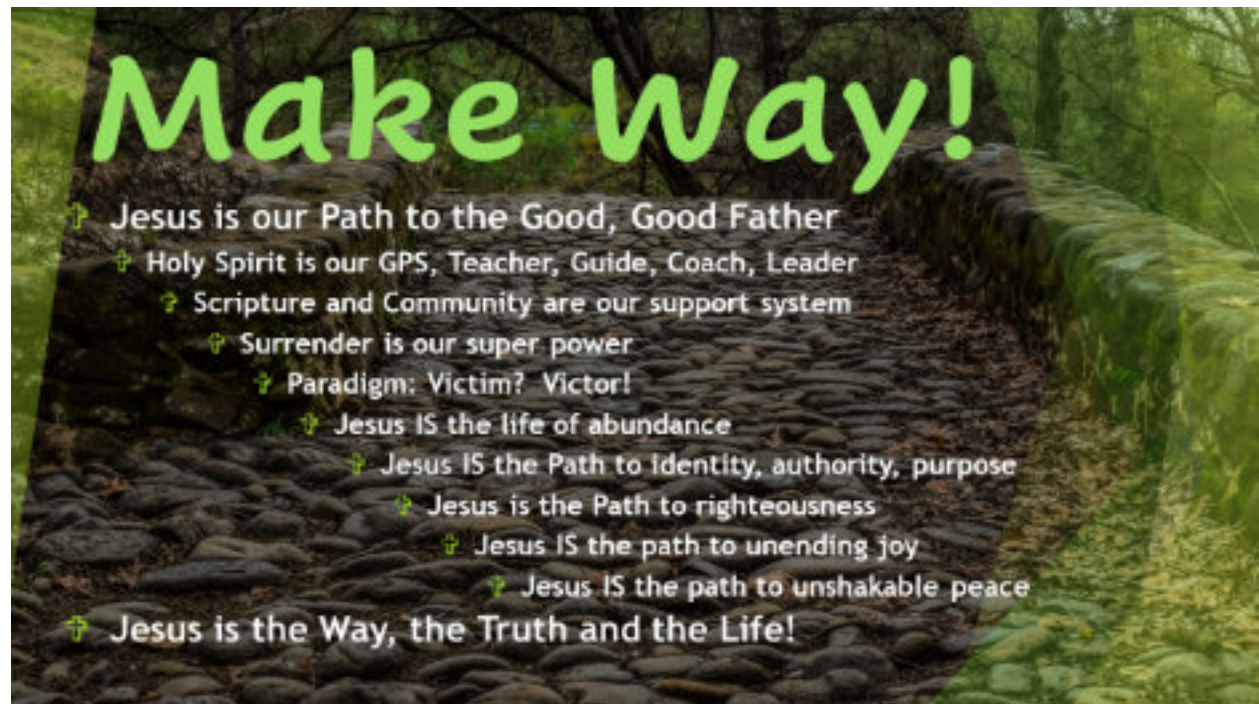
- ▶ Psalm 85
- ▶ Isaiah Chapter 40
esp. vv.1-11
- ▶ Matthew 3:1-12
- ▶ Mark 1:1-15
- ▶ Luke 3:1-22
- ▶ Matthew 5-7

Seems like they missed it *but after all today is only Sunday*

- ▶ Still "fully man" Jesus, having laid down all His privilege
- ▶ Today: Parable of the Prince and his servants, weeps for Jerusalem
- ▶ Today: Tears up the temple that had blended in the world system
- ▶ Monday: Curses fig tree
- ▶ Tuesday: Fig tree withers, MAJOR teachings, great commandment, woe to religious leaders
- ▶ Wednesday: Dark. Jesus's movements not known; Judas cements agreement to betray
- ▶ Thursday: Last supper, washes feet, promises Holy Spirit, highest commandment, vine & branches, high priestly prayer, garden agony, betrayal
- ▶ Friday: Tried & convicted by world's systems, brutalized, crucified, Earth reacts, veil tears
- ▶ Friday: Died, buried, extinguished all hope. Power & violence won again
- ▶ Sunday: Oh huh. JK, BRB. Most significant event in all of world history
- ▶ 47 days later: With people again; manifests Kingdom ways and culture
Ascends, sits, reassumes all God privilege and glory
- ▶ 57 days later: Holy Spirit comes on AND IN!! Church is born

I wonder, Church... *Have we missed it too?*

- ▶ ***Resist, Restore, Reform? Replace!***
 - ▶ **Rebel? Revolve!**
 - ▶ **Dismantle? Supersede!**
 - ▶ **Protest? Overcome**
 - ▶ **Paradigm: *Victim?* Victor!**
 - ▶ **Paradigm: Entitled? Liberated!**
 - ▶ **Culture: Contemporary? Christ!**
 - ▶ **Empire? Kingdom!**
 - ▶ **Axis of war? Axis of love!**
- ▶ **Noble has been totally redefined!**



Make Way!

- Jesus is our Path to the Good, Good Father
 - ✦ Holy Spirit is our GPS, Teacher, Guide, Coach, Leader
 - ✦ Scripture and Community are our support system
 - ✦ Surrender is our super power
 - ✦ Paradigm: Victim? Victor!
 - ✦ Jesus IS the life of abundance
 - ✦ Jesus IS the Path to Identity, authority, purpose
 - ✦ Jesus is the Path to righteousness
 - ✦ Jesus IS the path to unending joy
 - ✦ Jesus IS the path to unshakable peace
- Jesus is the Way, the Truth and the Life!