I. Introduction

- A. Context: year is 33 AD, event is the Passover Week
- B. Lazarus raised from the dead in Bethany (John 12)
- C. Healing of Bartimaeus and another blind man (Matthew 20, Mark 10)
- 1. First public proclamation of Christ's messianic title
- 2. Biblical references (Psalm 50:15, Romans 10:13, Acts 2:21)

II. Mark 11:1-11

- A. Jesus instructs disciples to get a donkey (Mark 11:1-3)
- 1. Location: Bethphage, near Bethany
- 2. Disciples' obedience
- 3. Awkward moment: "The Lord needs it" (Mark 11:3)
- B. Fulfillment of prophecy (Zechariah 9:9)
- 1. Significance of the donkey
- 2. Jesus rides on it, fulfilling ancient prophecy
- C. Purpose of Jesus' arrival: Offer of salvation

D. Mark 11:8-10

- 1. Massive crowd shouting "Hosanna" (save now)
- 2. Contrast with Jesus' birth (Matthew 2:3)
- E. Mark 11:11

1. Jesus observes the scene, understanding the people's needs, acts upon it.

2. Central message: Salvation (Mark 10:45, Romans 3:23, Romans 6:23, Ephesians 2:8-9, Romans 10:9-10)