

TEMPORARY DEVOTION



MATTHEW 21:1-11

I. The disciples were devoted enough to go and get the colt (Matthew 21:1-5).



- How would it feel to be going to take someone else's colt?
- What kinds of uncomfortable things does God call you to do?

II. The owners of the colt were devoted enough to give it (v.3).



- **Why would the owners of the donkey colt freely give it to Jesus?**
- **What will move us to freely give Christ whatever is needed?**

III. The crowds were so devoted that they praised Jesus the Son of David (v.6-11).



- **Why did the people wave palm branches? (Leviticus 23:39-40).**
- **What can we do to move us to want to praise Jesus with all our hearts?**

**IV. Five days later, the
crowds cried out,
"Crucify him!"
(Matthew 27:20-26).**



- What loyalties got in the way of their devotion to Jesus?
- What things do we allow to get in the way of our devotion to Jesus?

V. We need to possess a devotion that will endure

(Philippians 3:10-14).



- **How desperately do I want to know Christ?**
- **How willing am I to share in His suffering?**
- **How intently am I straining 'for that which is ahead?'**

Call to Action: To develop a devotion to Christ that will endure.



- Are you sufficiently devoted to choose to serve Christ even when you are uncomfortable?
- Are you willing to give Christ whatever is needed?
- How spontaneous is your praise of Christ?
- Is your devotion to Jesus stronger than any of your religious loyalties?
- What will help your devotion to endure?

-How can we help?