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REMEMERING PALM SUNDAY

The palm branches were strewn ~ the King was coming! Blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord. A fervor of excitement was among the crowd. They had great anticipation that things were going to change. Many saw Jesus as the NOW Messiah that would set up his kingdom. Many believed at long last they would be free of the bondage of Rome.

Change was coming, but not the way that they expected. They would be free of bondage, but not Roman bondage. They would be free from the bondage of sin.

We also get caught up in excitement when we are expecting God to “move” in our time clock. The crowd just knew that He was the Messiah, and things would be different.

Within days, the same crowd crucified Jesus.

Do we also lose faith when things do not go our way, and turn our backs on the one that loves our soul? Do we serve Him when everything is right, but turn our faces from Him when hard times come, and answers do not come immediately?

That day when Jesus made his triumphant entry, their eyes were blinded to truth, and ours can be also, if we only think of Jesus as the “life saver” that gets us out of our predicaments.

Will we serve Him in the hard dry places of life, or will we too reject Him as the people of His day did? The choice is ours. Let today, Palm Sunday, be a day to examine our hearts' motives and be reminded that God is working things out in his timing for us.