

Man On A Mission
John 12:12-16

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I. An Effective Witness. John 12:12-13

- The amazing things Jesus does even today should be _____ for people to come to faith in Him.
- We need to be on a _____ and see something that God does in our life as an opportunity to share the gospel with those around us.

II. Faith Responds In Worship. John 12:12-13

- When we experience God's grace and mercy, our only _____ should be to fall at His feet in worship.
- *"Jesus _____ their praise on His terms. As One who came to save, the One who came in the name of the Lord, and the rightful King of Israel."* (MacArthur)

III. Jesus On A Mission. John 12:14-15

- *"He did not come as a conqueror but as a _____ of peace. He rode on a donkey, not the steed of royalty, but that of a commoner on a business trip."* (Tenney)
- Anything that would distract or take away from that needed to be _____ so He could run the race laid out before Him. **Hebrews 12:1-2**
- Our mission is to love God first and _____, and then to love others. **John 15:12** tells us to love one another as Christ has loved us.
- Press on toward the goal. Press on towards following Christ and what He has called you to do, forgetting the past life, _____ the things that weigh us down.
- *"Jesus did not regard the cross itself as a joy. But He could look past the horror of the cross to _____ the joy beyond it."* (Guzik)

IV. Practical Application

- *"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them."* **Ephesians 2:10**
- Jesus, on Good Friday, as we heard a few weeks ago, said **"It is finished."** The work is complete. For us, the job isn't _____.

Small Group Discussion

Looking back at your notes from this week's sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

1. Read **John 12:12-13**. Discuss a time where you were able to use something that God has done in your life to witness to others. **1 Peter 3:15**
2. The people wanted a conquering king but got a suffering servant. Talk about the times that we look for a god of our own making. **Romans 8:28**
3. Read **John 12:14-15**. *How often do we lose our focus in our Christian walk? Does this happen in times of success or failure? How can we stay focused on what God has for us?*
4. Peter was rebuked by Jesus for having his mind set on his ways and not on God's. *Do we ever find ourselves in the same boat as Peter? Do we ever get in God's way? How do we fight against that?* **Philippians 3:13-14, Hebrews 12:1-2**
5. Jesus came into Jerusalem on a mission, knowing what was coming for Him. *How does it impact you that He knew the penalty of the cross that was coming and stayed on the mission anyways?* **2 Corinthians 5:21, Hebrews 12:2**
6. Discuss the Practical Application of the sermon.

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