# THE THINGS THAT MAKE FOR PEACE

LUKE 19:28-48

# THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY INTO JERUSALEM

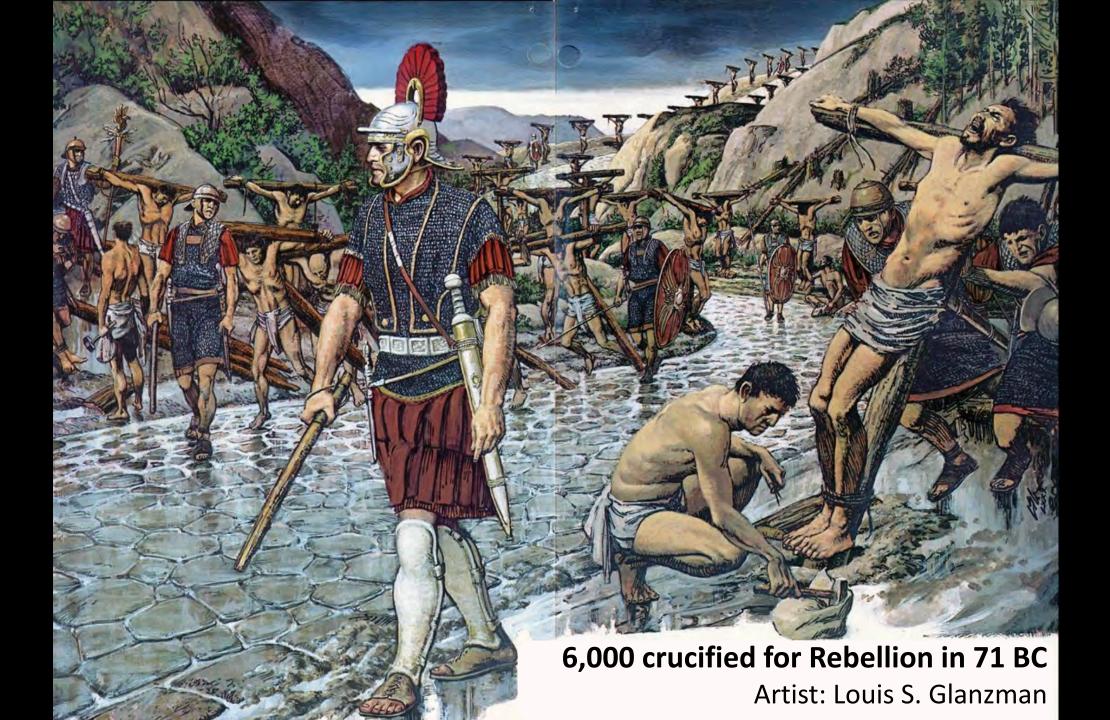
LUKE 19:28-40

#### Acts 10:36 NKJV

The word which God sent to the children of Israel, preaching peace through Jesus Christ—He is Lord of all.

(Isaiah 57:19)

He came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near.



# Luke 19:36-38 ESV

And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. 37 As he was drawing near—already on the way down the Mount of Olives—the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, <sup>38</sup> saying

# Luke 19:36-38 ESV

#### BLESSED IS THE KING

who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!

### Zechariah 9:9-10 ESV

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
BEHOLD, YOUR KING IS COMING TO YOU;
righteous and having salvation is he, humble
and mounted on a donkey . . .

### Zechariah 9:9-10 ESV

war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall speak PEACE TO THE NATIONS; his rule shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth.

# THE LAMENT FOR JERUSALEM

LUKE 19:41-44

# Luke 19:41-44 ESV

And when he drew near and saw the city, he wept over it, <sup>42</sup> saying, Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes.

# Luke 19:41-44 ESV

For the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade around you and surround you and hem you in on every side and tear you down to the ground, you and your children within you.

# Luke 19:41-42 ESV

<sup>44</sup> And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know THE TIME [*kairos*] OF YOUR VISITATION.

#### Matthew 13:15

(Isaiah 6:9-10)

For this people's heart has grown dull, . . . and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes . . . and understand with their heart and turn, AND I WOULD HEAL THEM.

# François Bovon

Alas, the right to close one's eyes belongs to human freedom. As a result, REVELATION GROWS DIM.

# THE CLEANSING OF THE TEMPLE

LUKE 19:45-48

# Luke 19:45-46 ESV

And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold, <sup>46</sup> saying to them, It is written, My house shall be a house of prayer, but you have made it a den of robbers.



#### Mt 23:37-38

O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it!



How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings!



And you were not willing! See, your house is left to you desolate.







#### JUDAISM IN THE TIME OF JESUS

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THE KINGDOM

ESSENES | AND MISSING IT!

### Luke 19:42

If only you, even you, had known on this day GOD'S TERMS OF PEACE! But now they are hidden from your eyes.

#### Isaiah 48:18 ESV

Oh that you had paid attention to my commandments! THEN YOUR PEACE WOULD HAVE BEEN LIKE A RIVER, and your righteousness like the waves of the sea....

#### **Michael Card**

Through the years you made it clear that the time of Christ was near,

Though the people couldn't see what Messiah ought to be.

#### **Michael Card**

Though your Word contained the plan, they just could not understand . . .

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#### RESPONSES - PRAYER

#### PLEASE CHOOSE THE WAY OF PEACE.

In the short term there may be winners and losers in this war that we all dread. But that never can, nor never will justify the suffering, pain and loss of life your weapons will cause. — Mother Teresa

#### RESPONSES - PRAYER

- 1 Pray for peace in Israel, in the Middle East
- 2 Seek the Shalom of Singapore, God's terms of peace
- 3 Give up ambitions and agenda that blind us to God's terms of peace and the time of his visitation
- 4 Make peace with yourself, with your neighbour
- 5 Await God's visitation

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#### REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- 1. What are the things preventing us from seeing God's plan and timing?
- 2. How can I be an instrument of God's Shalom in Singapore?