



### Variations & Similarities

**Table 2. Matrix A: Information Components and Sources.**

Information Component	Triumphal Entries
1. osh only	
2. temple ass and dest of	
3. entry from Bethphage	
4. entry from Bethphage	
5. prophecy mentioned (6)	
6. prophecy mentioned (6)	
7. 1 <sup>st</sup> day of Jerusalem ent	
8. 2 <sup>nd</sup> day of Jerusalem ent	
9. where Jesus retired 1 <sup>st</sup>	
10. what Jesus did between	
11. details describing 1 <sup>st</sup>	
12. details describing 2 <sup>nd</sup>	
13. noted: cell not ridion	
14. disciples remembering	
15. People remembering	
16. Pharisees complain	

\* John indicates Jesus was

**Table 3. Matrix B: Information Components and Sources. Temple Cleansings**

Information Components	Sources NT						Sources OT
	Matthew 21:12-16	Mark 11:11-19	Luke 19:45-47	John 2:14-16	Isaiah 56:7 Jer. 7:11	Psalin 69:9	
1. Jesus casts out with cens (beginning ministry)				X		X	
2. Jesus casts out and overturns tables after first entry	X						
3. Healed blind and lame; children crying in temple	X				X		
4. Jesus weeps over Jerusalem			X				
5. Jesus enters temple; looks around; returns to Bethany		X					
6. Jesus curses fig tree	X	X					
7. Jesus 2 <sup>nd</sup> temple cleansing	X	X			X		
8. Addt role: no vessels in temple (Mark 11:16)		X					
9. Jesus returns to Bethany		X					
10. Jesus taught daily in the temple (Luke 19:47)			X				

**Events between the last supper and the crucifixion in the order recorded in each gospel:**

John	Last supper	Oliver gone
Jesus arrested		
Taken to Annas		
Peter's first denial		
Questioned by Annas		
Taken to Caiaphas		
Peter denies twice more		
Cock crows		

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**Full Agreement:**

At the beginning of the final week of his life Jesus of Nazareth rode into Jerusalem seated on a donkey and was hailed by the crowds who had come to Jerusalem to celebrate the annual Passover feast with shouts of:

**“Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!”**

...as they anticipated the coming of the kingdom of God.

## Two parades...





For the Romans looking on, it must have seemed silly...

**Who cheers for a man on a donkey?**

Churchville Presbyterian Church - Palm Sunday - Two Parades (churchvillepc.org)

**BUT...**

With His arrival "the die is cast!"  
There will be no turning back.

Matthew 21 –  
The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. <sup>7</sup>They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. <sup>8</sup>**A very large crowd** spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut **branches from the trees** and spread them on the road. <sup>9</sup>The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted,  
"Hosanna to the **Son of David!**"  
"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"  
"Hosanna in the highest heaven!"  
<sup>10</sup>When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked,  
"Who is this?"  
<sup>11</sup>The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee..."

Luke 19 –  
They replied, "The Lord needs it." They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road. When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:  
"Blessed is the king who comes **in the name of the Lord!**"  
"**Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!**"  
Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!"  
"I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out."  
As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it...

Several Hebrew terms and titles removed for Greek audience.  
"Hosanna" is omitted in lieu of a loose translation in the form of a chorus of praise similar to the one at Jesus birth.

John 12 -

The next day the great crowd that had come for the festival heard that Jesus was on his way to Jerusalem. 13 They took **palm branches** and went out to meet him, shouting,

"Hosanna!"

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"

"Blessed is the king of Israel!"

14 Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, as it is written:

15 "Do not be afraid, Daughter Zion; see, your king is coming, seated on a donkey's colt."

John makes up for his shortened account of the acclamation with an extended commentary on why the crowd gathered in the first place: Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead. John also shows that the crowds at Jerusalem, in their own way, were just like the disciples in that "they did not understand all this..."

### Where are we in the Gospel of Mark?

- Confession of Peter that Jesus is truly the Messiah (Mark 8).
- Jesus has set His face like flint to head to Jerusalem where He will fulfill His mission as the Suffering Servant.
- He has been educating His closest disciples about what type of Messiah He is: NOT a political revolutionist seeking national restoration freedom from bonds of Roman oppression.
- The basis of His authority has been questioned
- He is headed for rejection and suffering and death at the hands of both the Jewish religious leaders and the Roman officials. His hour has almost come to glorify the Father. This is why He came into the world as God incarnate. Today we see Jesus arrive in Jerusalem.

- Palm branches are explicitly mentioned by John...
- Matthew and Mark refer to tree "branches"
- Luke makes no mention of any branches at all.

**HOWEVER** – What the crowds do with their **clothes** is more prominent in these accounts than what they do with branches!

### Mark 11:7-8

"When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road..."

"They brought it to Jesus, threw their cloaks on the colt and put Jesus on it. As he went along, people spread their cloaks on the road... (Luke 19:35-36)

"They brought the donkey and the colt and placed their cloaks on them for Jesus to sit on. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road... (Matthew 21:7-8)

Only other occurrence in Scripture of spreading cloaks...

### 2 Kings 9:1-13

"... Then Elisha poured the oil on Jehu's head and declared, 'This is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says: 'I anoint you king over the Lord's people Israel. You are to destroy the house of Ahab your master, and I will avenge the blood of my servants the prophets and the blood of all the Lord's servants shed by Jezebel..."

**They quickly took their cloaks and spread them under him on the bare steps.** Then they blew the trumpet and shouted, 'Jehu is king!'"

ἱμάτιον (*himation*) 'clothing' (G2440)  
clothing, cloak, robe

Occurs in the Bible ~62 times

#### Meaning

clothing, cloak, robe

**a garment; the upper garment, mantle, Mt. 5:40; 9:16, 20, 21; plural the mantle and tunic together, Mt. 26:65; plural generically garments, raiment, Mt. 11:8; 24:18**

The words translated "cloaks" or "garments" can refer generally to any garment, "clothing, apparel," or specifically to outer clothing, "cloak, robe."

The cloak of bible times was a distinctive outer garment made of two pieces of thick woolen material sewn together, with slits rather than sleeves for the arms.

A typical Hebrew slept on the floor with his cloak used as a covering to keep him warm. This was especially true for travelers, shepherds or poor people, so a person's cloak was not to be kept as collateral for a loan.

**Exodus 22:26-27**

*"If you take your neighbor's cloak as a pledge, return it to him by sunset, because his cloak is the only covering he has for his body. What else will he sleep in? When he cries out to me, I will hear, for I am compassionate."*

**Mantle/Cloak – Prominent in the Elijah – Elisha stories!**

*"So Elijah went from there and found Elisha son of Shaphat. He was plowing with twelve yoke of oxen, and he himself was driving the twelfth pair. Elijah went up to him and threw his cloak around him." 1 Kings 19:19*



**“Outer Garments!”**  
 My “mantel”...  
 My covering...  
*Honor! Deference!*

**Mark 10:46-52**  
*Blind Bartimaeus Receives His Sight*

*“... Jesus stopped and said, ‘Call him.’ So they called to the blind man, ‘Cheer up! On your feet! He’s calling you.’ Throwing his cloak aside, he jumped to his feet and came to Jesus...”*

**Identity!**

### Two crowds:

The “provincial” followers of Jesus who shouted Hosanna, lined his way with their garments, and honored him as king...

The sophisticated, religious leaders of Jerusalem, confident in their religious system and the righteousness they were sure it yielded, who recognized no authority above theirs.

All was done to “prepare the way” for the coming of the king!

... not only in the gathering of palm fronds to strew the path, but they lay down the very “mantels” of their lives that they become as a carpet in the way of the King!

Am I willing to “strip off my Sunday best” (down to my undershirt) for it all to be trod underfoot as Jesus comes to be enthroned?

Do I “enthroned” Jesus in every area of my life?

Do the areas of “my glory” become a pathway for His!

Even so, He later strips off His own “mantel” yet again to become a servant of all!