

God's Design & Our Agendas

John 12:12-19

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¹² The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem.

¹³ So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!"

John 12:12-19

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

¹⁵ "Fear not, daughter of Zion;
behold, your king is coming,
sitting on a donkey's colt!"

John 12:12-19

¹⁶ His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about him and had been done to him.

¹⁷ The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness.

John 12:12-19

¹⁸ The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign.

¹⁹ So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."

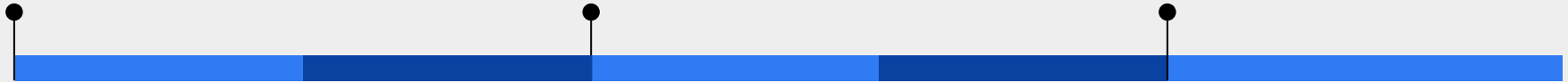
Text & Context

Matthew 21

**Jesus Heals
Two Blind Men**

Triumphal Entry

**Jesus Curses the Fig Tree
and Cleanses the Temple**

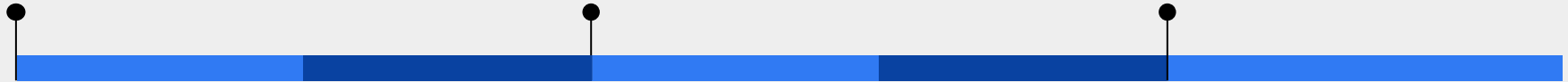


Mark 11

**Jesus Heals
Bartimaeus, a Blind Man**

Triumphal Entry

**Jesus Curses the Fig Tree
and Cleanses the Temple**

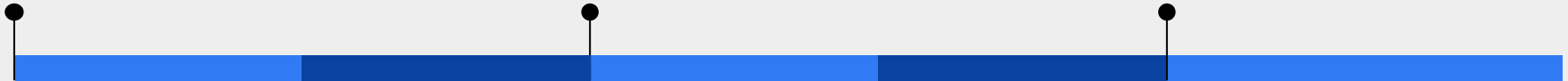


Luke 19

**Jesus & Zaccheus,
Parable of Talents**

Triumphal Entry

**Jesus Weeps over Jerusalem
and Cleanses the Temple**



John 12

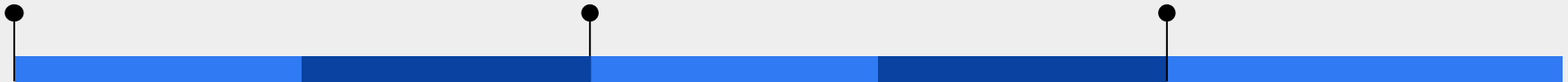
**Jesus Raises Lazarus,
Mary Anoints Jesus**

Triumphal Entry

"Some Greeks came..."

Unbelief of the people

Washes disciples' feet



Gospel	Crowd Sees Jesus as...	Pharisees' Response
Matthew	<p>"son of David" (<i>rightful King</i>) "comes in the name of the LORD"</p> <p><i>the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.</i></p>	
Mark	<p>"comes in the name of the LORD" "coming kingdom"</p>	
Luke	<p>"<i>King</i> who comes in the name of the Lord"</p>	<p><u>To Jesus:</u> "Teacher, rebuke your disciples."</p>
John	<p>"comes in the name of the LORD..." "<i>King</i> of Israel"</p> <p><i>Liberator of Israel/Jerusalem</i></p>	<p><u>To each other:</u> "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after him."</p>





**Disappointment comes from putting
our agendas before God's design**

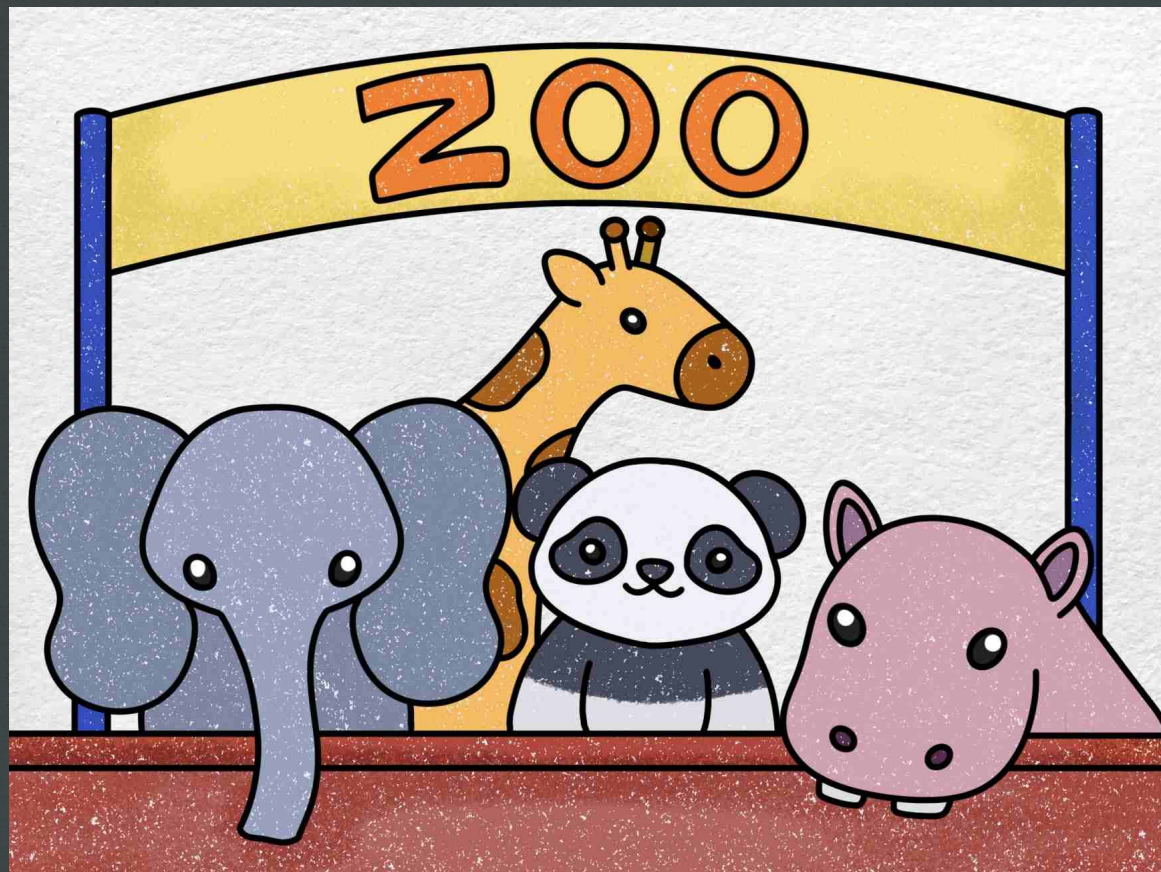
Agenda

- ❑ Vision
- ❑ Desires
- ❑ Goals/Outcomes
- ❑ Timeline

God's Design

- ❖ Already in place
- ❖ Already in motion
- ❖ Independent of our timelines and goals

**God's success is not gauged
by human values**



**Jesus' example calls us to
live sacrificially**

