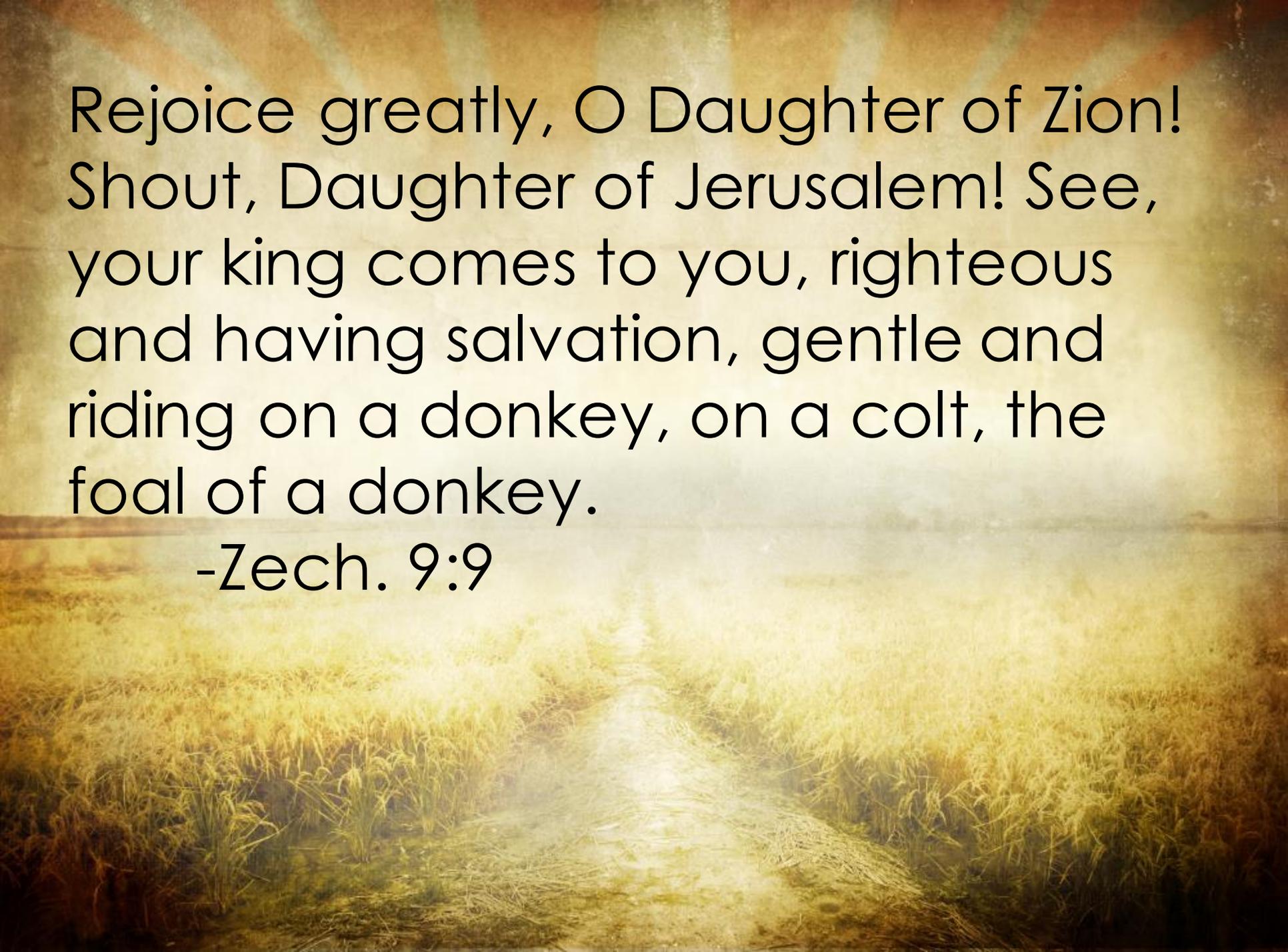




# PALM SUNDAY

A Misplaced Celebration

Luke 19:28-44

A golden field with a path leading to a bright light. The scene is bathed in warm, golden light, suggesting a sunrise or sunset. A path of light leads from the bottom center towards the horizon, where a bright, glowing light source is visible. The field is filled with tall, golden grasses, and the overall atmosphere is one of hope and divine presence.

Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion!  
Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem! See,  
your king comes to you, righteous  
and having salvation, gentle and  
riding on a donkey, on a colt, the  
foal of a donkey.

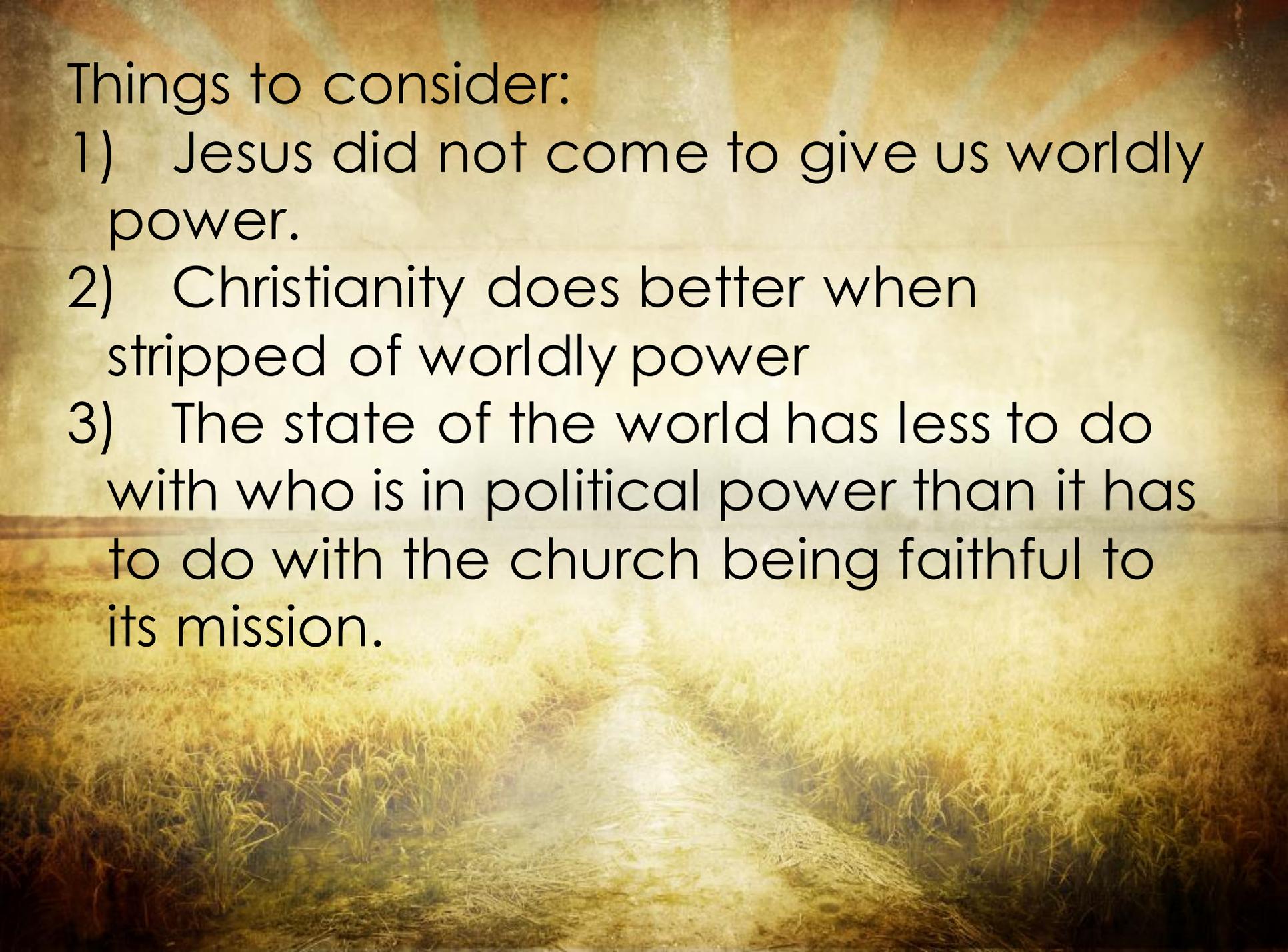
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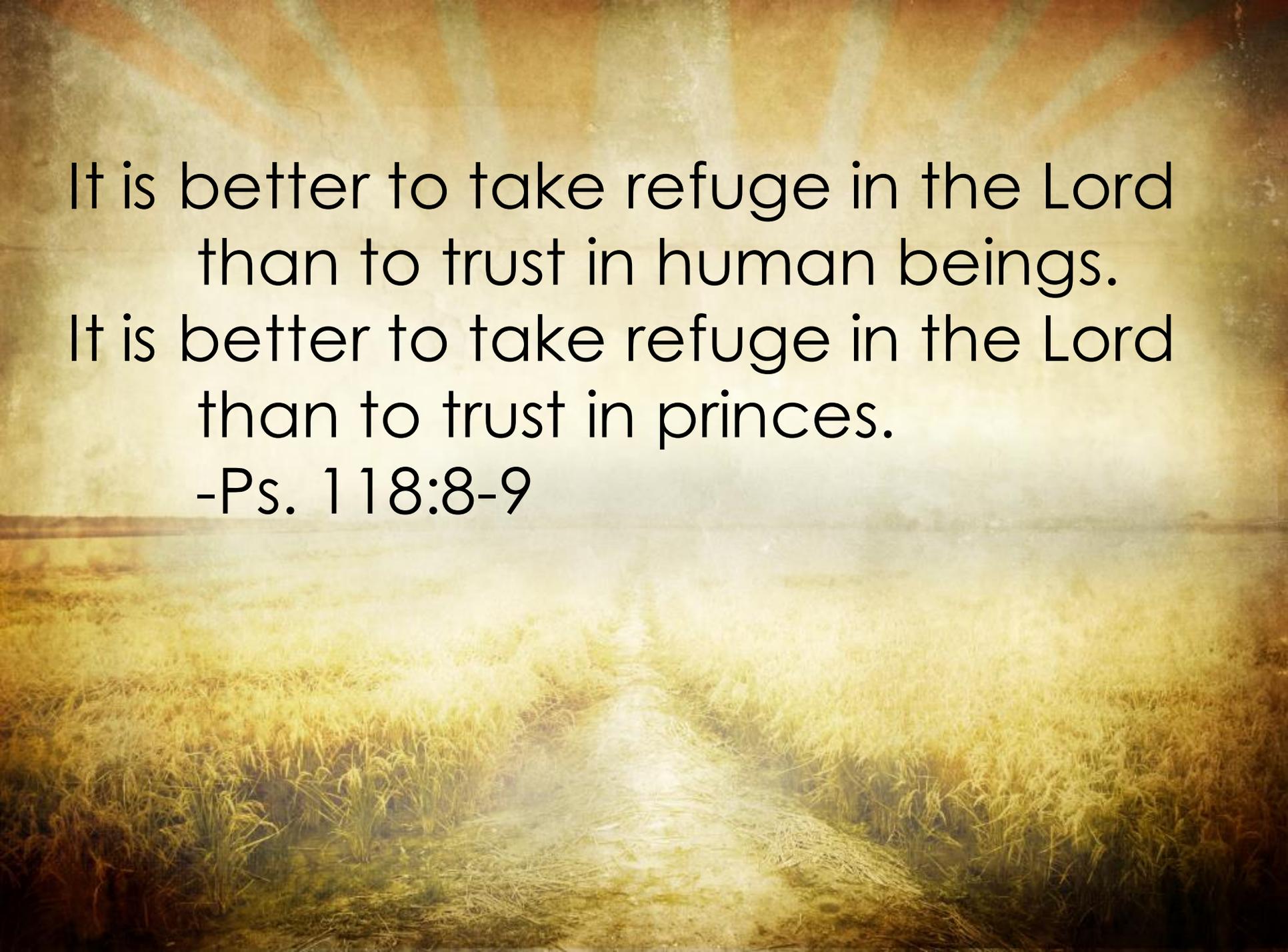
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Things to consider:

- 1) Jesus did not come to give us worldly power.
- 2) Christianity does better when stripped of worldly power
- 3) The state of the world has less to do with who is in political power than it has to do with the church being faithful to its mission.

A landscape painting featuring a wide, golden-brown field in the foreground, with a narrow path leading towards a body of water in the distance. The sky is filled with soft, textured clouds in shades of brown, orange, and grey, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord  
than to trust in human beings.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord  
than to trust in princes.

-Ps. 118:8-9



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## TODAY'S SERVICE

Children's Choir

Welcome

Songs of Praise

Pastoral Prayer

(using Ps. 118 responsive reading on screen)

Offering

Scripture: Luke 19:28-44

Hymn #229

"Ride On! Ride On in Majesty!"

"A Misplaced Celebration"

Closing Hymn #228

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

### SCRIPTURE READINGS:

- Luke 19:28-44; pg. 1018

Page numbers listed above can be found in your pew Bible. If you do not have a Bible at home, please feel free to take a pew Bible to keep as your own.

## SERMON RECORDINGS AVAILABLE

LISTEN TO SERMONS ONLINE

REQUEST A SERMON CD

[www.wincov.org/media/sermons/](http://www.wincov.org/media/sermons/)

CDs of the full service are

Choose the image that corresponds to the relevant series, and then choose the sermon you want to hear.

available from the church office. Call us at (507)647-5777, email us at [wincov@gmail.com](mailto:wincov@gmail.com) or drop a note in Krystal Stoll's mailbox.

## CHURCH ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK

Sunday 3/20	9:30 AM	Worship
<i>Palm Sunday</i>	10:45 AM	Sunday School
Wednesday 3/23	9:00 AM	Prayer Coffee at Eunice's
Thursday 3/24		NO Women's Bible Study NO Men's Bible Study at Peiks' 7:00 PM Maundy Thursday Service
Friday 3/25	7:00 PM	Good Friday Service at 1 <sup>st</sup> Lutheran
Saturday 3/26	6:00 AM	Men's Bible Study at Hahn's Dining
Sunday 3/27	7:30 AM	Sunrise Service
<i>Easter Sunday</i>	8:30 AM	Easter Breakfast
	9:30 AM	Worship



## HAVE A QUESTION?

### Leadership Team:

Dan Messerli, *Chair*  
Rueben Rosnau, *Vice Chair*  
Debbie Wilmot, *Secretary*  
Kay Linsmeier, *Financial Offcr.*  
Rose Adema, *Discipleship Liaison*  
Greg Elseth, *Mission Liaison*

### Ministry Team Leaders:

Karen Benson, *Missions/Outreach*  
June Oman, *Worship*  
Delaine Elseth, *Discipleship*

### Property Mgt: Dale & Betty Boyum

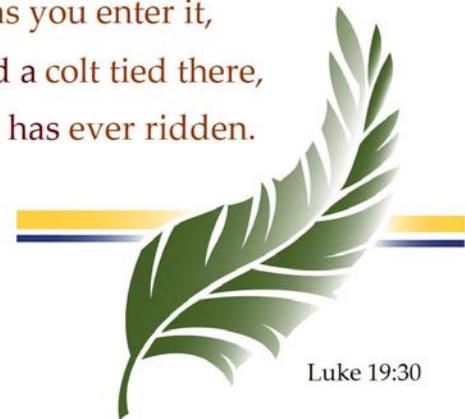
### Ministries:

Camp: Laura Stuber  
Clothes Closet: Mary Jo Boehning  
Food Cupboard: Chuck & Barb Peik  
Men's Ministry: Chuck Peik  
Musketeer Ministry: Vonna Pitchford  
Nursery: Rose Adema  
Sunday School: Marlys Woods  
Small Groups: Delaine Elseth  
Women's Ministry : Becky Baker  
Youth Group: Kyle & Lindsay K.

## SUNDAY SERVANTS

	March 20th	March 27th
Prelude:	Shirley Rosnau	Delaine Elseth
Greeters:	Reuben and Shirley Rosnau	Messerlis
Nursery:	JoAnn Ruff & Jenna Kavan	Becky Baker & Aeva Stoll
Scripture:	June Oman	Mary Jo Boehning
Sound Technician:	Krystal Stoll	Jason Portner
Sunday School	Stolls/Stolls	<b>N/A</b>
Snacks: Adults/Kids:		
March Sanct. Floral:	Marlys Woods	
March Ushers:	Jim & Debbie Wilmot, Ted Oman, <b>need</b> <b>volunteer</b>	

Go to the village ahead of you,  
and as you enter it,  
you will find a colt tied there,  
which no one has ever ridden.



## FINANCIALS

	Expenses	Income
February 2016	\$11,767.29	\$9,233.00
2016 YTD	\$17,032.17	\$20,283.18



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Flower:

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