

## **The Great Cloud of Witnesses and Palm Sunday - Hebrews Week 40**

*"The generations are far more interconnected than most of us realize. In God's mind, accomplishing something through our descendants is the same as accomplishing it through us. If He fulfills His promises through our offspring (natural or spiritual), the accomplishments were for us as well as them."* Dutch Sheets

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**"The palm tree is a symbol of triumph, victory over death. Palms grow in the desert and overcome the arid climate. Deborah sat under a palm tree as a judge in Israel and received the strategy to overcome her enemies."** Passion Translation Commentary

**Matthew 21:9** Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: "Hosanna to the Son of David! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!' Hosanna in the highest!"

**Mark 11:9 TPT** Jesus rode in the center of the procession, with crowds going before him and behind him. They all shouted in celebration, "Bring the victory! We welcome the one coming with blessings sent from the Lord Yahweh!

**Luke 19:37-38** Then, as He was now drawing near the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works they had seen, saying: " 'Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!' Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"

**John 12:12-13** The next day a great multitude that had come to the feast, when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, and cried out: "Hosanna! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!' The King of Israel!"

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**Revelation 7:9-10** After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could number, of all nations, tribes, peoples, and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

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### **Delayed Gratification**

**Romans 4:20** He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God