

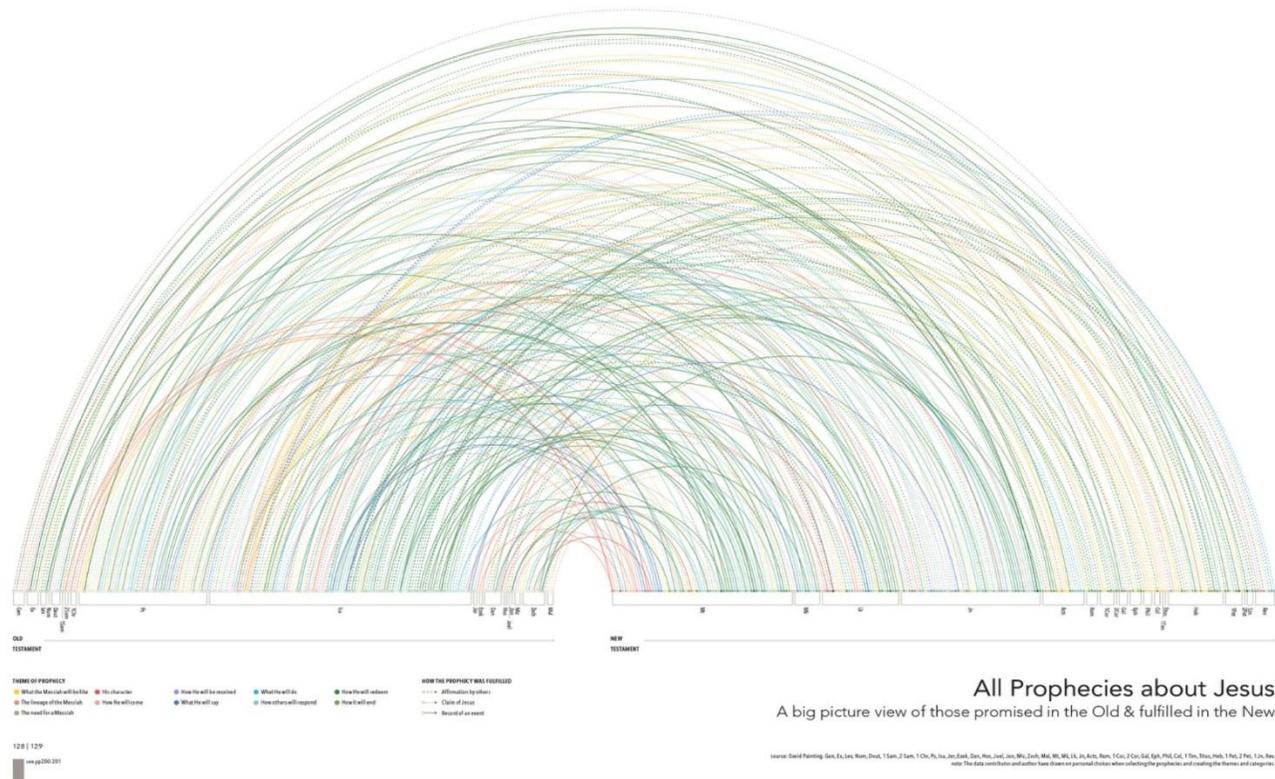
Pekin First Nazarene March 29, 2026
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The Palm Sunday Story

Matthew 21:1-11, Mark 11:1-11, Luke 19:28-44, & John 12:12-19

Mark 11:1-11 (NLT)

¹*“As Jesus and His disciples approached Jerusalem, they came to the towns of Bethphage and Bethany on the Mount of Olives. Jesus sent two of them on ahead. ²“Go into that village over there,” He told them. “As soon as you enter it, you will see a young donkey tied there that no one has ever ridden. Untie it and bring it here. ³If anyone asks, ‘What are you doing?’ just say, ‘The Lord needs it and will return it soon.’” ⁴The two disciples left and found the colt standing in the street, tied outside the front door. ⁵As they were untying it, some bystanders demanded, “What are you doing, untying that colt?” ⁶They said what Jesus had told them to say, and they were permitted to take it. ⁷Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their garments over it, and He sat on it. ⁸Many in the crowd spread their garments on the road ahead of Him, and others spread leafy branches they had cut in the fields. ⁹Jesus was in the center of the procession, and the people all around Him were shouting, “Praise God! Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the LORD! ¹⁰Blessings on the coming Kingdom of our ancestor David! Praise God in highest heaven!” ¹¹So Jesus came to Jerusalem and went into the Temple. After looking around carefully at everything, He left because it was late in the afternoon. Then He returned to Bethany with the twelve disciples.”*



All Prophecies about Jesus
A big picture view of those promised in the Old & fulfilled in the New

Zechariah 9:9 (NLT)

“Rejoice, O people of Zion! Shout in triumph, O people of Jerusalem! Look, Your King is coming to you. He is righteous and victorious, yet He is humble, riding on a donkey— riding on a donkey’s colt.”

Leaders Riding Donkeys

Judges 10, 2 Samuel 17, & 2 Samuel 19

Cloaks Laid Down

2 Kings 9

Palm Branches

1 Maccabees (Not in the Protestant Bibles - but has historical significance)

Psalms 118:25-26 (NLT)

“Please, LORD, please save us. Please, LORD, please give us success. Bless the one who comes in the name of the LORD. We bless You from the house of the LORD.”