

Turning Point

John 12:12-26

The triumphal entry on Palm Sunday is a turning point in the ministry of Jesus. Prior to this, much of his ministry was private. On this day he initiates a public appearance. The event is bookended by Mary anointing Jesus for burial (12:1-11) and Jesus announcing his impending death (12:23).

Amid conflicting expectations, Jesus reveals he is going to die so that others might live.

Fulfilling Old Testament prophecies, Jesus is presented as the King of Israel (12-15)

The disciples did not understand (16)

The crowds want another miracle (17-18)

The religious leaders are frustrated by Jesus' popularity (19)

The Greeks want to see Jesus (20-22)

Jesus reveals his impending death (23-26)