



H O M E C E L L N O T E S

PS AT BOSHOF – THE FINAL WEEK

17 April 2025

WELCOME

Welcome all members who are joining the Homecell.

WORSHIP

Prepare Praise and Worship for the homecell gathering.

Choose from list below: (1 Praise & 1 Worship song)

Praise: Praise God – Thrive Worship.

Worship: Worthy of it All – Brooke Ligertwood.

WORD

Sunday we celebrated **Palm Sunday**, the beginning of the FINAL WEEK of Jesus before His crucifixion.

“This week shaped eternity for all mankind”

READ: Matthew 21:1-11

On the Sunday

Jesus enters Jerusalem riding on a lowly donkey.

Crowds:

- Spread their garments and palm tree branches on the ground in honour of Him.
- Shouted **“Hosanna, blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.”**
 - Literal meaning of “Hosanna” is **“Save us now!”**

4 Days Later - Thursday

READ: Matthew 27:22-23

Crowds shout: **“Crucify Him!”**

Friday – Crucified



Next Sunday - Resurrection!

READ: Matthew 28:6

“He is not here, He is risen.”

What happened in the people in those 4 days?

The people went from “Hosanna” to “Crucify Him!”

Yes, we understand all of this was God’s masterplan.

1. The people expected Jesus to liberate them from political oppression.

- The people expected the Messiah, the Saviour.
- They expected Jesus to be their earthly king and deliverer:
 - Alleviate their poverty.
 - Deliver them from the evil political system of the Roman empire.
- They expected Jesus to overthrow the Roman government and sit on the throne and rule them in Jerusalem.
- They expected Jesus to be the answer to all their problems – He did all the following:
 - He fed the multitudes.
 - He healed the sick.
 - He calmed the storm.
 - He raised the dead.

Were the people disappointed? Were they disillusioned?

2. How did Jesus come to liberate them?

- Jesus entered riding on a donkey – not a powerful stallion.
 - Those days: when king or Politian entered a city on a donkey – symbol saying, “I come in peace”
- Jesus came as the **Prince of Peace**.
- Jesus came to establish a new Kingdom, not of this world.

READ: John 18:36 & Luke 17:20-21 (NKJV)

- A kingdom that has no colour or language.



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- A kingdom built on the love of God.
- Yes, He was the Messiah, Saviour and Anointed one.
- He was a **spiritual Saviour** (not political) – saving us from SIN through His death and resurrection.
- He delivered us from separation with God.
- His power (YES He has a lot of it) was released through His peace!

“Jesus went into Jerusalem out of His freewill, knowing what waited for Him.”

3. When Jesus entered Jerusalem, His arrival demanded a response.

READ: Matthew 21:10-11

Another translation says, “There was a great stirring in Jerusalem.”

- Some were glad.
- Others became mad!
- You cannot remain neutral when Jesus enters the room.
- **Notice:** How the religious leaders incited the crowd to crucify Him.

READ: Mark 15:9-13 (TPT)

WORKS

When Christ enters – we cannot remain neutral.

A. We should be faith-stirrers.

The woman at the well of Samaria – stirred the people in her city to believe in Jesus.

READ: John 4:28-30, 39-42

Discuss in smaller groups:

- When last did you share your testimony with someone? To stir their faith in God?
- When last did your reach out to your “**Harry & Sally**” list?

B. We should NEVER FORGET what God has done for us.

Why we come to **CHURCH EVERY SUNDAY!**

- To say THANK YOU for everything God has done for you.



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- To honour God on the first day of the week for all He has done for us.

READ: Hebrews 10:25

Share in smaller groups: What are you thankful for? Share one thing that God has recently done for you.

C. We should forgive people – for God has forgiven us.

Despite the crowd turning against Him, from “Hosanna” to “crucify”. And the torture, mocking, ridicule and eventual death on the cross, Jesus said on the cross:

“Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing” – Luke 23:34

We are to forgive people (all the time), because God has forgiven us.

D. You have to empty yourself constantly.

You have to empty yourself from your past, your hurt, from your negative emotions, your culture and traditions.

Discuss in smaller groups: What are some things that we need to constantly empty ourselves off when we follow Jesus?

Play a worship song:

Encourage the people to empty themselves before God of their past, their hurt, their betrayal, etc.

Encourage them to take a moment and be thankful in God’s presence for all He has done, and all He does daily in our lives.

Announcements

Passover Service – Friday 9 AM.

Passover Production – Sunday 6 PM.

Save the date:

CRC Cares is hosting a **Fun Run: “Run For Me”** - Monday 16 June.
Charity Fun Run for *Talitha Cumi Place of Safety* – More info to follow.