

A piece of torn, light-colored paper is centered against a dark background. The paper has a soft, painterly sunset or sunrise scene on it, with warm orange and yellow tones in the sky and darker, teal-green tones at the bottom. The text 'JOHN 12:12-27' is written in a white, casual, handwritten font across the middle of the paper.

JOHN 12:12-27

THE
**GOD WHO
SHOWS UP!**





**DEATH OF
LAZARUS**



**TRIUMPHAL
ENTRY**



**JESUS'
CRUCIFIXION**

**ANOINTING
OF JESUS**



PASSOVER



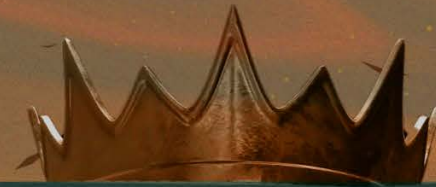
RESURRECTION



THE GOD WHO SHOWS UP

IS FAITHFUL TO HIS PROMISE

JOHN 12:12-15



"Do not be afraid,
Daughter Zion; see,
your king is coming,
seated on a donkey's colt."

JOHN 12:15

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

ZECHARIAH 9:9



JESUS DID NOT *DETOUR*
GIVE UP
JUST GO 'HALFWAY'

JESUS WENT **ALL THE WAY!**



*We can trust God to
show Himself to be faithful
for His promises are true*



THE GOD WHO SHOWS UP
IN HIS TIME



THE HOUR “HAS NOT YET COME”

JOHN 2:4
JOHN 7:6-8, 30
JOHN 8:20



THE HOUR “HAS COME”

JOHN 12:23, 27

JOHN 16:32

JOHN 17:1



“You see, **at just the right time**, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly... But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”

ROMANS 5:6-8



*We must be patient and
persevere in trusting God
to show up in His time*



THE GOD WHO SHOWS UP
IN UNEXPECTED WAYS



“...your king is coming, seated on a donkey's colt.”

JOHN 12:15



"...your king is coming,
seated on a donkey's colt."

JOHN 12:15

"A very large crowd spread
their cloaks on the road,
while others cut branches
from the trees and spread
them on the road."

MATTHEW 21:8



THE WAYS OF MAN

Use of palm leaves, laying of cloaks on the ground, shouts – of Hosanna, meaning “Save us now!”

Crowds went out to meet a triumphant victor, a national liberator into town

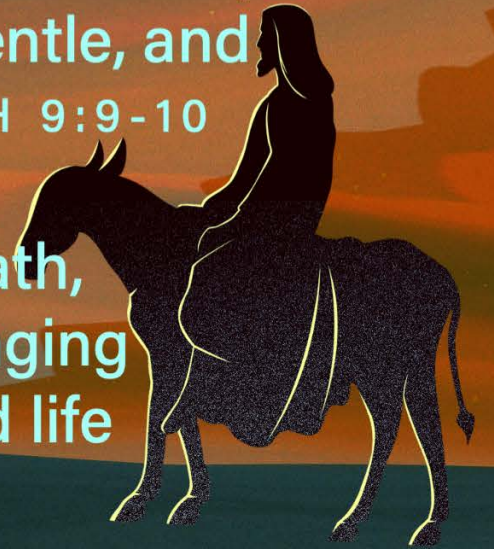
Hoping to be freed from Roman rule; political victory

THE WAYS OF GOD

Jesus entered Jerusalem sitting on a young donkey – a simple, everyday animal used by common people

Fulfilling prophecy, the triumphant King is righteous, gentle, and humble ZECHARIAH 9:9-10

Victory over sin, death, and the enemy; bringing peace, freedom, and life



*We need to surrender our ways
and trust this God who shows up
in His unexpected but
purposeful ways*



*We need to surrender our ways
and follow His ways even when
it is not what we expected*

