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When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said to one another, "If Joseph is holding a grudge against us, he will certainly repay us for all the suffering we caused him." So they sent this message to Joseph, "Before he died your father gave a command: 'Say this to Joseph: Please forgive your brothers' transgression and their sin -- the suffering they caused you.' Therefore, please forgive the transgression of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when their message came to him. His brothers also came to him, bowed down before him, and said, "We are your slaves!" But Joseph said to them, "Don't be afraid. Am I in the place of God? You planned evil against me; God planned it for good to bring about the present result -- the survival of many people. Therefore don't be afraid. I will take care of you and your children." And he comforted them and spoke kindly to them. Genesis 50:15-21 (CSB)

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1. JESUS IS TRIUMPHANT

When he had said these things, he went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. As he approached Bethphage and Bethany, at the place called the Mount of Olives, he sent two of the disciples and said, "Go into the village ahead of you. As you enter it, you will find a colt tied there, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" say this: 'The Lord needs it."' So those who were sent left and found it just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" "The Lord needs it," they said. Then they brought it to Jesus, and after throwing their clothes on the colt, they helped Jesus get on it. As he was going along, they were spreading their clothes on the road. Now he came near the path down the Mount of Olives, and the whole crowd of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the miracles they had seen: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord. Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heaven! Some of the Pharisees from the crowd told him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." He answered, "I tell you, if they were to keep silent, the stones would cry out." Luke 19:28-40 (CSB)

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. I will take away the chariots from Ephraim and the warhorses from Jerusalem, and the battle bow will be broken. He will proclaim peace to the nations. His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth. **Zechariah 9:9-10 (NIV)**

"I command you by the Jesus that Paul preaches..." The demon answered, "Jesus I know, and Paul I know; but who are you?" (Acts 19:13-15)

We actually have to come UNDER the authority of The King, to HAVE the authority of The King.

2. JESUS IS OUR PEACE

As he approached and saw the city, <u>he wept for it</u>, saying, "If you knew this day what would bring **peace**—but now it is hidden from your eyes." **Luke 19:41-42 (CSB)**

"If you only knew today what is needed for **Shalom**!" (Complete Jewish Bible)

Don't worry about anything, but in everything, through prayer and petition with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. Finally brothers and sisters, whatever is **true**, whatever is **honorable**, whatever is **just**, whatever is **pure**, whatever is **lovely**, whatever is **commendable**—if there is any **moral excellence** and if there is anything **praiseworthy—dwell on these things**. **Philippians 4:6-8 (CSB)**

3. JESUS MADE A WAY FOR US

After making a whip out of cords, he drove everyone out of the temple with their sheep and oxen. He also poured out the money changers' coins and overturned the tables.

John 2:15 (CSB)

He went into the temple and began to throw out those who were selling, and he said, "It is written, my house will be a house of prayer, but you have made it a den of thieves!" Luke 19:45-46 (CSB)

"Insecurity is idolatry because you're glorifying yourself, and your opinion of yourself matters more than what God is saying about you." - Sam Robertson

