

#### SUNDAY 03/20/16

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# **PALM SUNDAY** JNFORGETTABLE DAYS BEFORE

HELP US MAKE THIS AN **EASTER** FOR PEOPLE WHO NEED TO CONNECT WITH GOD-**PLAN TO GET INVOLVED!** 

#### **INVEST & INVITE**

- Praying for our unchurched friends.
- Sharing our verbal witness with them.
- Inviting them to our Easter celebration.





Ditch the BAGGAGE CHANGE YOUR LIFE

BY NANCY ALCORN

Tuesdays @ 7:00 p.m.





## ORIGINAL

APRIL 21-23, 2016

CELEBRATING YEAR TEN OF ORIGINAL

#### SPEAKERS







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Each week everyone will be asked to fill out a Connection Card in order to "MEASURE" our church in five key areas. There will be a summary report each week in the bulletin that identifies those five key metrics.

Please turn in your card each week. Members, leaders and guests will be asked to turn these in. | <u>connection</u> cap



Feb 28 » The Power of an Invitation

Mar 06 » Guest Speaker: Roger Simmons

Mar 13 » Giving: The Preset for Blessing Mar 20 » PALM SUNDAY - Roger Simmons

Mar 27 » EASTER: When the Rooster Crows

CO	Breanna V.	► Health Issues
QUESTS	Lily M.	▶ Dementia
S	Anabelle G.	► Lung Cancer
	Andrew H.	▶ Health Issues
	Noe F.	▶ Health Issues
	Elizabeth S.	▶ Health Issues
	Kenny D.	▶ Skull Fracture
CE	Trevor W.	▶ Deployed to Afghanistan
	Danny L.	Peace Corps Assignment
	Ralph H.	▶ Fluid in the brain
	Moe M.	▶ Lung Cancer
	Ruth S.	Undiagnosed Health Issues
	Jim B.	▶ Eye Problems
RAYER	Mary H.	▶ Mobility Issues
	Suzie S.	▶ Health Issues
	Elvira C.	▶ Breast Cancer
	Peggy H.	▶ Rheumatoid Arthritis
	Lotz Family	▶ Grief/Loss of Parents
	Barb D.	▶ Bone Cancer
9 1999	Barb S.	▶ Injury
11/2	Phyllis L.	▶ Health Issues
	Marvin L.	▶ Health Issues
	Greg S.	▶ Grief-stricken
	Dale G.	▶ Blood Clot
	Patty L.	▶ Loss of her mother
	Persecuted Christians	▶ Hostilities/Suffering

THE WEEK

OUIOTE OF "Your approval before God is woven into the life and sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross, not what other men and women think about you." -Matt Chandler



ATTENDANCE









### **PALM SUNDAY**

#### JESUS' FINAL WEEK TRANSFORMS MY LIFE

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TRIUMPHAL ENTRY



**CLEANSES THE TEMPLE** 



SUNDOWN LAST SUPPER GETHSEMANE 10:00 PM





2:00 AM RELIGIOUS TRIAL 3:00-5:00 AM SENTENCED BY PILATE 6:00 AM CRUCIFIED 9:00 AM **DARKNESS NOON JESUS DIES** 

3:00 PM

**FINAL TEACHINGS** 

#### MY NATURE IS **TRANSFORMED**

When they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks over it, he sat on it. Mark 11:7

- Jesus rides an unbroken colt. When Jesus rides the colt, he "breaks" its nature.
- He does that to us as well. When he touches us, he completely changes our nature.
- We become better spouses, better citizens, better followers.

#### MY SIGHT IS TRANSFORMED

As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he wept over it Luke 19:41

- Because my sight is transformed, I begin to see myself and others differently.
- Jesus wept over Jerusalem because he saw his city with "harvest" eyes.
- Jesus invites us to weep over our cities with "harvest" eyes.

# MY PASSION FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS IS TRANSFORMED

On reaching Jerusalem, Jesus entered the temple courts and began driving out those who were buying and selling there. He overturned the tables of the money changers and the benches of those selling doves *Mark 11:15* 

- Jesus is appalled at what the Temple has become—a center of commerce.
   It should be a house of prayer.
- On Monday, he returns to the Temple. He turns over the tables of the moneychangers.
   He whips people and drives them out.
- His actions are clear: righteousness must begin at God's house.

# MY PRIORITIES ARE TRANSFORMED

Jesus had prepared the Last Supper (The Seder). After supper, he began to wash the disciples' feet.

- He had washed the feet of several of the disciples. When he came to Peter,
   Peter said that he did not want the Lord to wash his feet.
- Jesus told him that if he did not allow his feet to be washed he could not be in the kingdom.
- What is Jesus saying? OUR HEART MUST BE TRANSFORMED!

# MY CRUCIFIED-LIFE MUST BE TRANSFORMED

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- When we come to Jesus, we get "fitted" for a cross.
- We "die out" to old behaviors, patterns and addictions.
- We are alive with the "life of Christ" to impact the world.
- The best choice you will ever make is to take up His cross and follow Him!