**Let the Parade Begin**

**I. What is the Historical Background?**

A. Alexander the Great dies. (323 BC)

B. Wars between Syria and Egypt.

 1. First war is between A\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ III and Ptolemy V.

 2. Second war is between Antiochus IV and P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ VI.

C. Jewish civil war is between the Hellenizers and the

 P\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 1. What is the “Abomination of Desolation”? - Daniel 11:31 & 12:11.

 2. What did Lord Jesus say about it? - Matthew 24:15 & Mark 13:14.

D. The M\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ cleanse the temple. (164 BC)

 1. Joyous people flock to Jerusalem with P\_\_\_ B\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. - I Maccabees 13:51.

 2. H\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, the Feast of Lights, is celebrated!

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**II. The Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem.**

A. Lord Jesus presents Himself as M\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ - v1-11.

 1. Riding on a D\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ colt - v7.

 2. What is omitted from v7 found in Zechariah 9:9?

 3. Gentle = \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 4. What did the crowd do in receiving Jesus as king? - v8 (See II Kings 9:13 & I Maccabees 13:51)

 5. What did the crowd say in receiving Jesus as king? - v9.
 - Psalm 118:25.

B. Lord Jesus presents Himself as C\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Temple - v12-14.

 1. How does the peophesy in Malachi 3:1 present Jesus?

 2. What did the joyous Jews bring with them in both cleansings of the Temple? (I Maccabees 13:51 & here in v8)

 3. What was the Lord’s reason for cleansing the temple? - v13, Isaiah 56:7 & Jeremiah 7:11.

**III. Let’s Join the Parade!**

A. What did the people not in the parade ask? What did the people in the parade say in response? - v10-11

 1. How does the Lord want you to respond? - Mark 16:15

 2. Where does obedience lead? - Romans 6:16 & James 2:24.

B. How does the Lord continue cleansing? - Psalm 51:2; Hebrews 9:14 & Hebrews 10:22.

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