

Lent—Cry Out Study Questions

1) [John 12:12-13] For a moment, put yourself in the place of a Jewish person in the crowd greeting Jesus on his way into Jerusalem. You are longing for relief from Roman rule just as God delivered the Jewish people from Egypt many centuries prior. You cry out—what does your “Hosanna!” mean? What are you hoping for?

2) Now imagine you’re at home looking out an open window, and you see Jesus coming down your street. You cry out—what does your “Hosanna!” mean? What are you hoping for?

3) [Romans 8:15; Acts 2:21] Now that Jesus has restored our relationship to God and gives us His spirit, how are these things different from before we were saved: confession, repentance, prayer, love, and hope?

4) [John 14:27] Jesus gives us peace, telling us not to be troubled or afraid. How is the peace of Jesus different from the “peace” we think of in everyday usage? Why is the peace we get from Jesus preferable?

5) When we get ready to take a plane ride, one thing we’re told is that in the event of an emergency, we should put our own oxygen masks on first, then help others who need it. What do you need from God before you’re ready to help others in His name? How is His spirit moving within you in these times?