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How long would you be prepared to wait?

Madagascar palm flower. (show picture).

“Would Jesus reclaim Jerusalem?”

1) Getting Jesus half right

Palm branches

Simon the Maccabee (141 BC)

coinage (show Picture).

Psalm 118, “Hosanna Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord”

Zechariah 9 - The king is coming on a donkey.

2) Authentic honesty

Verse 16, *“At first his disciples did not understand all this. Only after Jesus was glorified did they realise that these things has been written about him and that they had done these things to him.”*

3) The crowds increase and the strategy changes

If at first they do not succeed... (show picture) reload and try again.

For us today

1) The danger of getting Jesus half right.

Questions

a) What are you expecting Jesus to do in your life... is that what he really came to do?

b) In what ways are you tempted to add to the gospel to make it more appealing to those listening?

2) Be encouraged that the disciples tell us they got it wrong.

3) The warning of the Pharisees