

Blue Collar Jesus
Mark Ch 11 outline
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Jesus: Our Answer

Strategic in His Work; Reliable in His Teaching; Verifiable in His Authority

I. **The Cry of HOSANNA... "SAVE WE PRAY" (vs1-10)**

Transliteration: hósanna

Phonetic Spelling: (ho-san-nah')

Definition: save, we pray

Usage: (Aramaic and Hebrew, originally a cry for help),
hosanna!, a cry of happiness.

A. **"SAVE" -A Cry For Help**

- Hosanna was originally a plea for mercy and help

- "Lord, we need you to move, we need your help!"

*22 The stone the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
23 the Lord has done this,
and it is marvelous in our eyes.*

*24 The Lord has done it this very day;
let us rejoice today and be glad.*

25 Lord, save us!

Lord, grant us success!

26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

-Psalm 118:22-26

B. **"WE" -A Cry of Unity**

- Hosanna is used as a confession of believers who have been gathered together

- "Lord, **WE** need you!"

C. **"PRAY" -A Cry of Hope**

- Hosanna's "plea for help" shifted in meaning to an exultation of praise

- It's meaning transformed from "Lord, help us!" To **"Help is here, salvation has come!"**

HOSANNA IS:
THE CONFESSION OF BELIEVERS
GATHERED TOGETHER
IN A POSTURE OF HUMILITY
WITH A PLEA FOR HELP
AND A CRY OF HOPE!

II. HOSANNA- THE ANSWERED PRAYER FROM A SAVIOR

A. Jesus is Strategic in His Work (vs 11)

-He's intentional in His path, his choice, and his journey to the cross.

B. Jesus is Reliable in His Teaching (vs 17)

-He's hard at work teaching us in ways we can understand and make a difference in our lives

1. Jesus teaches by allowing us to **DISCOVER** his truth with our eyes through the power of his work

2. Jesus teaches by instructing us to **UNDERSTAND** his truth with our ears through the power of his word

-Mark 4:12 "hearing but never understanding"

3. Jesus teaches by inviting us to **GRASP** his truth with our hearts through the power of faith

-John 20:28-29

28 Thomas said to him, "My Lord and my God!"

29 Then Jesus told him, "Because you have seen me, you have believed; blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

4. Jesus teaches by calling us to **ATTEST** to his truth with our lives through the power of forgiveness

22 Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. **23** Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror **24** and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like.

-James 1:22-2

C. JESUS WAS VERIFIABLE IN HIS AUTHORITY (vs27-33)

-He's testable, confirmable, and validated by those who walk in him, live with him, and die for him.

III. HOSANNA: THE RESPONSE OF A FOLLOWER

A. ACQUISITIONAL LEARNERS

If we only spend time discovering Jesus' work with our eyes and understanding his word with our ears, but fail to grasp his truth with our hearts and attest to it with our lives... it just makes us ACQUISITIONAL LEARNERS (much like the withering Pharisees) who's goal is merely head knowledge.

B. TRANSFORMED FOLLOWERS

When we respond to his teaching through the choice of faith in our hearts and lives, He changes us as TRANSFORMED FOLLOWERS who walk in godly wisdom rather than just head knowledge.

C. THE CRY OF "HOSANNA!" THIS WEEK

1. Cry Hosanna this week as we see God at work in the world around us.
2. Cry Hosanna this week as we hear God's word and it penetrates our hearts.
3. Cry Hosanna this week as we respond to the transformational power of Christ with a walk of faith and the choice of forgiveness in our lives.