

# The Jericho Road to the Cross

Matthew 20: 29-34 & 21: 1-11

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# propitiation

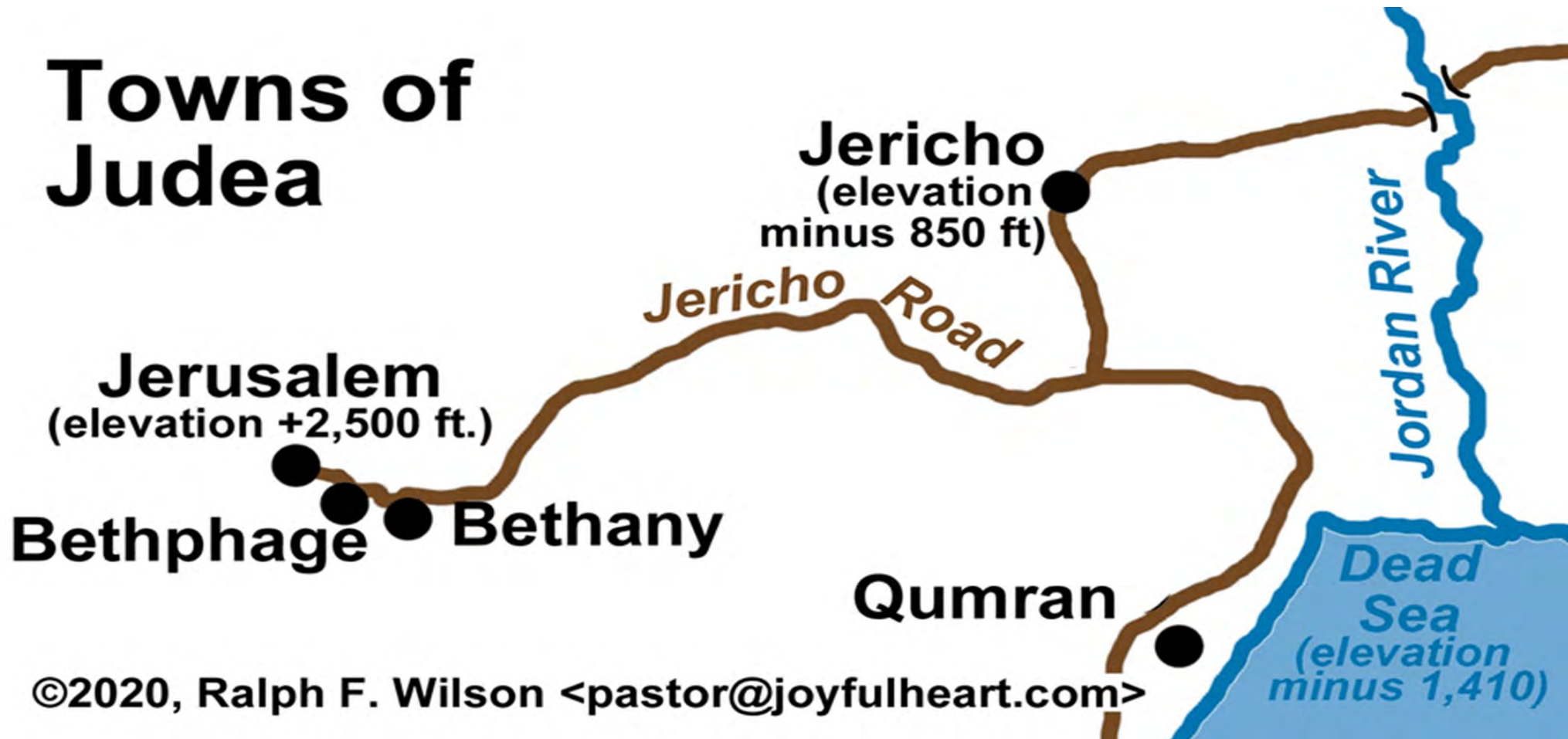
The word propitiation carries the basic idea of appeasement or satisfaction, specifically toward God. Propitiation is a two-part act that involves appeasing the wrath of an offended person and being reconciled to him.

Verse 29 - 34

**Jesus and two blind men on the  
Jericho Road**

Jesus is determined to follow the Jericho Road;  
*He has a date with destiny!*

## Towns of Judea



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These two had the courage to cry out,  
*“Have mercy on us, O Lord, Son of  
David!”*

## LESSON:

**God knows our need; *He desires that we reach out to Him and ask!***

**My job: Ask believing, not doubting!**

**God's job: Answer according to His will**

**These two were healed and followed!**

**Hopefully, your spiritually dead heart was healed, and you followed!**

**The mark of a true believer is that they  
*come and follow Jesus!***

## Verse 1 - 3

**Preparation before presentation**

## **Six days prior to the cross, Jesus arrives in Bethany – Why stop in Bethany?**

- 1) Mary anoints Jesus' feet in preparation for death**
- 2) Bethany is where the Passover lamb came from, the one sacrificed for the nation**

**The Passover Lamb is a type of Christ**

**Jesus would be sacrificed at the moment the Passover Lamb was sacrificed for the nation**



Verse 4 - 5

**Prophecy fulfilled**

**Jesus had to ride into Jerusalem on a colt – *it was prophesied!* – Zechariah 9: 9**

**Think about it: Jesus on a young colt which was never ridden before, in a massive crowd, waving palm branches, crying out **“HOSANNA”** and the colt simply moseys along**

**The animal is subject to the One riding it –**  
***JESUS IS GOD!!***

**People may not know who Jesus is, *but all of creation sure does!***

**Verse 6 - 9**

**The Triumphal Entry of Jesus**

Make no mistake – *Jesus is accepting His  
Kingship*

Prophet after prophet promised –  
*MESSIAH IS COMING! MESSIAH IS NOW HERE!*

God always fulfills His promises in His time  
and in His prescribed way

**The multitude cried out!**

**cried out = “*krazo*” = to shriek, wail,  
cry out loud**





**The first Passover, the people, *instructed by God*, placed blood on the door post and lintel**



**When the LORD saw the blood on the door,  
the destroyer would pass by your house**

**Passover was a bloody event, *and the  
crucifixion of Jesus was a bloody event!***



**Every communion, we remember the  
sacrifice Jesus made for every believer**

**His broken body, *crushed for you!***

**His shed blood, *poured out for you!***

**Never forget what Jesus has done to secure  
your freedom from Satan and the darkness!**

Verse 10 - 11

**The multitude still do not know  
who Jesus really is**

***“All the city was moved, saying, Who is this?”***

**Moved = “*seio*” = where we get seismos;  
shaken, quake!**

**They missed who Jesus was then and  
most miss who He is now!**

## CLOSING THOUGHTS:

At the perfect time, God sent His Son the first time  
Galatians 4: 4

At the perfect time, Jesus entered Jerusalem to  
accept His Kingship – Daniel 9: 25

*“Know therefore and understand, that from the  
going forth of the command to restore and build  
Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince, there shall be  
seven weeks and sixty-two weeks”*

That would be 69-week years = **483 years**

The exact time, 483 years later, to the day  
*Jesus entered Jerusalem!*

No one can orchestrate this, except GOD!!

At the perfect time, God will release His Son  
to fetch His Bride (*Rapture*)

Jesus expresses this perfectly in John 14: 1-3

## JOHN 14:1-3

"Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. <sup>2</sup> "In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. <sup>3</sup> "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.



***At the perfect time, Jesus*** will come for you!

We all have an appointed time with God

We all have an entrance date and an exit date

***Psalm 139: 16***

The ***Crimson Road*** is the *only* road that will get you home safely to be with Him!

***Jesus followed the Crimson Road to His destiny, may we do the same!***



**The Jesus Road –  
the *Only* Road to Life!**

