**PALM SUNDAY: OFFERING**

Yesterday, Neil and I saw the movie “I can only Imagine” which is about the story of Bart Millard’s life and his group Mercy Me. Which was named after his grandmother. She often said, Mercy Me. The song was written for his father just after he died and he was imagining what it was like for his father being in heaven. One of the verses of the song “I can only imagine” says this.

Surrounded by Your glory  
What will my heart feel  
Will I dance for you Jesus  
Or in awe of You be still  
Will I stand in your presence  
Or to my knees will I fall  
Will I sing hallelujah  
Will I be able to speak at all  
I can only imagine  
I can only imagine

When I think about this being Palm Sunday and the line there, “Will I sing hallelujah” and thought of this scripture:

**MATTHEW 21:8**A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.**9**The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted,

“Hosanna[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+21%3A1-11&version=NIV#fen-NIV-23836b)] to the Son of David!”

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”[[c](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+21%3A1-11&version=NIV#fen-NIV-23836c)]

“Hosanna[[d](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Matthew+21%3A1-11&version=NIV#fen-NIV-23836d)] in the highest heaven!”

When we encounter God, here on earth and then when we meet Him face to face in Heaven, I believe our reaction has to be singing Hosanna, Hallelujah, Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Jesus Christ came to earth for us. Such love and gratitude overflows from us when we stop to think about what the Lord has done for us and continues to do.

This is an important time in our meeting together when we stop to think about what God has done and what our response to Him is. Through the giving of our tithes and our offerings we are able to show God how much we love and trust Him. No matter what happens for me in the week to come, God is in control. I can sing Hallelujah, I can praise Him and shout Hosanna. Thank you that you provide for me each and every day. I want to use what you have given me to be a blessing to others. I bring my sacrificial tithes and offerings to the Lord with praise and thanksgiving. As we worship the Lord in this way, may we be aware of His presence and His blessings and know that in all things that come my way, I trust you Lord.