

6.1. **Blessed House:** Welcome Jesus as Mashiach, the Son of David (2 Samuel 7:12-16, Mark 10:46-11:11).

Verse.

46 And they came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a **blind beggar**, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. ⁴⁷ And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, “**Jesus, Son of David**, have mercy on me!” Mark 10:46-47

⁷ And they **brought the colt** to Jesus and **threw their cloaks** on it, and he sat on it. ⁸ And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others **spread leafy branches**

that they had cut from the fields. ⁹ And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, “**Hosanna!**

Blessed is he who **comes in the name of the Lord!** ¹⁰ Blessed is the **coming kingdom** of our **father David!** Hosanna in the highest!” Mark 11:7-10

Background:

As a *Household Shepherd*, it is your responsibility to build a *blessed house* that *welcomes Jesus Mashiach* as its Lord. In this primary of roles, put yourself in the place of the *first disciples* as they and Jesus approached Jerusalem. Jesus sends them before him as his *heralds*, honored servants who have proven by their sacrifice that they can not only *represent* him but also perform the most *valuable service to his house*, preparing the hearts of his people to receive him as their Lord!

Self- Blessing or Blessed Mashiach:



In the coming Last Days, the Lord Jesus Mashiach entrusts you and your brothers, as his *household shepherds*, with the original and most critical task, to *testify to the House of Israel* that its blessing comes only from its “Mashiach.” You must disabuse Israel of its generations-long self-delusion, that it can secure God’s blessing by its own efforts, whether through “Law” or by “Self-works.”

Israel *wraps* itself in this *Self-delusion* because it has suffered the trauma of seeing Jesus and his

blessings given to the undeserving, oblivious Gentiles while God's covenantal people were bypassed. For, Israel mistook "calling" for "license" until its own words rivalled the "Word of God." But, having passed through two "days" of wilderness wandering (Hosea 6:3) bereft the *blessing of God through Mashiach*, Israel is ready to learn the lesson of *Bartimeaus*, that "Blessing" only comes by the *mercy of Mashiach*, as we humbly *subject* ourselves to him, recognizing we too are "blind beggars" (Mark 10:46) who need the redemption that comes from Mashiach.

For, when you act as an *anointed Household Shepherd*, you are actually restoring Israel to the Household and its blessing. All along, Israel has imagined itself safe at home while shut out by its rebellion. Seeking God's blessing, it relied on the only means at hand—the "Law" or its own "Self-works" of the flesh, producing libraries of pronouncements on Torah to convince itself that

it was still *blessed*, even as it faced famine, hardship, ungodliness, predation, and genocide. Yet, by rejecting the Firstborn Heir of its house, it lost any hope of inheritance or blessing.

So, to restore Israel to its rightful place in God's House, it must go back to the source of all *blessing*, God's blessing to its *avot-fathers*. For, the Lord God did not *bless* Abraham but his **Zera**, his Seed Mashiach, saying: "To your zera (seed) I will give this land" (Gen.12:7) and "I will make your zera (seed) as the dust of the earth" (13:16) and the "tars of the heaven" (22:17). Likewise, the Lord God blesses *David's Zera* (seed) first to make a "House" (2 Samuel 7:13) for God and David (11), a "throne," and a "Kingdom" (16). To recognize and welcome Jesus as Mashiach, the Zera raised up by God (2 Samuel 7:12) is to be restored to God's blessing as "sons" of whom Jesus Mashiach is the "firstborn" (Zechariah 12:10).

And, to regain its *blessing* in subjection to Jesus Mashiach is to realize the *family purpose* for its long separation. Israel was *disciplined* during this time of separation from Mashiach not as an outcast but ***because*** it is and has always been God's "***firstborn Son***" among the nation (Exodus 4:22) and as such, bears the *right* and the ***responsibility*** for the redemption of all the wayward families of the earth, letting these lesser houses come back to God's "blessing" first and then taking its place of honor in the household, for God promises: "And in your Zera (seed) shall all the nations of the earth be blessed" (Genesis 22:18).

So, as the Lord's *household shepherd*, go to House Israel and prepare them to welcome Jesus as their rightful Mashiach!

Focus:

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1. **Prepare:** Heralds sent. 1-6.

2. **Welcome:** Jesus as Mashiach, the Worthy King: prepare coming, rule, way. 7-8.

3. **Bless:** Honor his Name, Lordship, Salvation, and Kingdom. 9-11

Consider:

Question:

Further Discovery: