

SPIRITUAL TASK —CALLED BY NAME (Luke 21)

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Story “And everyone will hate you because you are mine and are called by my name. But not a hair of your head will perish! For if you stand firm, you will win your souls”.

Meaning The Lord began Holy Week with praise worthy of His Kingship. But by weeks end He was betrayed, accused, mocked, beaten, ridiculed and crucified. He stood for the truth and carried out His mission to restore the freedom and free will of mankind, defeat death, and subjugate Hell itself! When we follow the Lord and His Word, we will endure our own temptations and assaults and we must be steadied by the same truth that Lord taught us—to love one another as He loved us. We are the sheep of His fold and from His love we are spiritual beings of goodness and light and will be to eternity.

Task During Holy Week read and reflect on how the Lord can enter your life just like He entered Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and how you will let Him in more fully. Read John 13:31 to 14:6 and find a way to follow His Way by offering what you may be struggling with this week to His Will for your life. Follow His truth by letting His Will be done in your life and by letting go of those things that make us betray His love and ourselves in our relationship with others. The Lord did not deny His mission or His love for us and we cannot deny that same love and goodness to others no matter what it brings this week.