

MSG: REVIVAL MENTALITY: CREATIVITY

SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 21:6-9 NLT
SZN 2: REVIVAL THROUGH LOVING

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6 “The two disciples did as Jesus commanded. They brought the donkey and the colt to him and threw their garments over the colt, and he sat on it. Most of the crowd spread their garments on the road ahead of him, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road.

9 Jesus was in the center of the procession, and the people all around him were shouting, “Praise God for the Son of David! Blessings on the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Praise God in highest heaven!”

REVIVAL MENTALITY

CREATIVITY- We design with the beauty of God

PALM SUNDAY

Jesus arrived in Jerusalem to celebrate Passover
Festive

Some of his followers and also party people there for the festival.

1. CREATIVITY BRINGS PURPOSE

We were created by a creator so we have His DNA

Genesis 1:1-2 NLT

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was formless and empty, and darkness covered the deep waters. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the surface of the waters.”

Out of nothing God can bring purpose into dark and desolate places.

Jesus was always challenging the thought of the time- even in his entry into Jerusalem he chose a borrowed donkey. The way God shows his creativity in us may challenge societal norms- it may cause people to wonder and ask questions.

Ephesians 2:10 ESV

“For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.”

Play, being childlike releases creativity- stress hinders creativity. How do you make sure that life doesn't push all your playtime out!

2. CREATIVITY SOLVES PROBLEMS

2 Peter 1:3 “ By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life

Exodus 35:35 ESV

“He has filled them with skill to do every sort of work done by an engraver or by a designer or by an embroiderer in blue and purple and scarlet yarns and fine twined linen, or by a weaver—by any sort of workman or skilled designer.”

God uses many moments of life to express creativity.....motherhood made me more creative... Learning to make bread. Turning long-sleeved shirts to short-sleeved shirts.

I got that from my mother- the last time I wore polka dots was one of the many outfits she would make for me and the socks with the lace....AND A JHERI CURL!

HE MAKES ALL THINGS NEW

Revelation 21:5 NLT

“And the one sitting on the throne said, “Look, I am making everything new!” And then he said to me, “Write this down, for what I tell you is trustworthy and true.”

-in chaos, sludge, muck and mire, disorder,
We create!

The challenge here is to reframe your mind to see that when the Creator made you, he didn't choose to leave “creativity” off of your skill list. If you're made by God, you were created to create.

3. CREATIVITY THRIVES IN CONSTRAINTS

USE WHAT YOU HAVE TO CREATE WHAT YOU DON'T HAVE

2 Corinthians 5:17 ESV

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.”

Colossians 3:23 ESV

“Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men,”

Problems don't limit what god can do or
Limit what we can do.
Ex:

We see creative selections of ordinary men and women to participate in God's creative plan, woven throughout the Bible—people like fishermen, tax collectors, prostitutes, the lonely, the barren, the lepers.

Madam CJ Walker // As a Black woman in the early 1900s, with limited access to resources and opportunity, she turned a personal challenge—hair loss—into an innovative line of haircare products and generational wealth.// her constraints didn't stifle her, they *sharpened* her vision.// **creativity isn't about having everything—it's about seeing possibility with what you have.**

DESIGN IS PROBLEM SOLVING

COATS SPREAD ON THE GROUND, DONKEY RETRIEVED