



## Preparing Our Hearts Together

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Dear TC Family,

As we enter Holy Week as a TC family, we begin with a powerful and familiar scene.

On Palm Sunday, crowds lined the streets, waving branches and crying out,

***“Hosanna to the Son of David!”***

**Matthew 21:9**

“Hosanna” means *save us, we pray...save now*.

And in calling Him the “Son of David,” they were recognizing Jesus as the Messiah.

They were asking.

They were believing.

They were inviting Him in.

And this is where it begins for all of us - students, families, and staff alike.

Because what happens next matters just as much.

Jesus enters the temple, and what He finds is not what it was meant to be.

A place designed for prayer had become filled with distraction, noise, and things that did not belong. And so, with clarity and purpose, He clears it.

Not out of anger...

but out of love.

To restore it.

This is where Holy Week becomes personal for our entire school community. As we walk through classrooms, hallways, athletic fields, and homes this week, we are invited to ask:

### **What needs to be cleansed in my life?**

What has taken up space in my heart that doesn't belong?

What distractions, pressures, habits, or worries are crowding out what God desires to do in me?

For our students, this may look like learning to surrender stress, comparison, or distraction.

For us as adults, it may be releasing control, anxiety, or the constant pace of life.

Holy Week reminds us, before resurrection comes realignment.

Before new life...there is surrender.

Before the celebration...there is preparation.

And here is the encouragement we hold onto as a TC family: When we invite Jesus in - He is faithful to do the cleansing.

Not with harshness...

but with a deep, restoring love.

What a gift it is that we get to walk this out together – TC community!

Let's not miss this opportunity as families.

Around dinner tables, in the car, at bedtime, lean into these conversations with your children.

Ask them what might be "crowding" their hearts. Share honestly about your own.

Model what it looks like to cry out, "*Hosanna...save us, we pray,*" and then trust Him with what He reveals. Because every moment of this week carries purpose.

Every step points us closer to the cross, and to the hope of resurrection.

Today, may we, as a community, have the courage to release what doesn't belong... and the faith to trust Him as He restores what was always meant to be His.

***"My house will be called a house of prayer." – Matthew 21:13***

In faith, family, and future...

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