

Palm Sunday B 2015  
An Invitation to Reflection  
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## “*Feeling Palm Sunday.*”

**T**his morning, rather than delivering a sermon, I’m going to read a brief quote, and then invite you to spend a few minutes reflecting on our Passion Gospel in the context of that quote.

Sometimes, we can get so caught up in ***thinking*** about the Cross, and debating its meaning for humanity, that we forget to ***feel*** what Good Friday was like. To feel the **betrayal** of friends and companions. To feel the **injustice** of an innocent death. And to feel the **outrage** that arguably the whole event was sanctioned by the two noblest pillars of culture in the ancient world: Roman law, and Jewish piety. Sanctioned, in other words, *not* by humanity ***at its worst***, but rather by humanity ***at its best***.

Let me read this last part again: The Cross was sanctioned not by humanity at its worst, but rather by humanity at its best. And now, I invite you to reflection.