Pastoral Notes

"Who are you" John 1:19-23.

We celebrated
Palm Sunday, a day in
which a multitude of
Jews laid down palm
branches as a symbol of
victory to usher into
Jerusalem, Jesus the Son
of David and Son of
God. Many of them did
not know who Jesus
really was. This led me

would be 'a voice crying out in the desert, making straight the way of the Lord'.

People want to know who Christians really are, what we stand for and what motivates us to have faith in Jesus. Like John, we must be recognized as voices of Jesus seeking to bring others to know Christ.

Key Sermonic Points

- 1. Are you who you claim to be? (be Real)
- 2. Prepare the way for others to know Jesus (be Vocal)
- 3. You are who your Heavenly Father says (be confident)

to ask the question of those present 'who are you'? Our textual subject was John the Baptist who prepared the way for Jesus long before the 1st Palm Sunday took place. The priests of his day wanted to know who John was, thinking he was Elijah, The Prophet or even the Messiah. John humbly recited Isa 40:3 which said John

Our actions should be honorable & consistent always. Christianity is a brand that we should represent well.

I encourage you to <u>listen to this week's</u> sermonic message located in the Media section of this website.

Stay Blessed, Pastor Robbie

Nuggets:

- We are not required to lay down palms, but to lay down our sins
- Who you are helps shape what you are, helps explain how you are and helps formulate where you are in your relationship to God
- Each of us are a brand unto ourselves.
 People don't buy us, but they do buy into us
- Who you are is best evidenced, not by what you say, but by what you do or don't do.
- None of us have seen God face to face but we have seen him moving in our lives and operating on our behalf.

When the camera's not rolling, the lights are turned down, the mic is muted & the crowd has gone home - Who Are You?