



LESSON 73 **Zechariah**

ZECHARIAH

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OBSERVATIONS

1. The Lord told Judah to return to Him. What did He say He would do? How is this pictured by the horns and craftsman? (Chapters 1 & 10)
2. In this chapter, what does the Lord affectionately call Judah, and how does he say other nations will relate to him in the future? (Chapter 2)
3. What are the circumstances surrounding Joshua the high priest, and how is God's servant pictured in this situation? (Chapter 3)
4. Zechariah saw a vision of a gold lampstand and two olive trees. What was the meaning of the seven-part lamp and the two olive trees? (Chapter 4)
5. What was the meaning of the flying scroll? (Chapter 5)
6. What did the horses represent in these chapters? Where did they find peace? Was that good? (Chapters 1 & 6)
7. What was God's heart toward the fasting and feasting of Israel for the last 70 years? What did He tell them to do instead? (Chapter 7)
8. The Lord says He will return to Zion and Jerusalem. What will the mountain and city be called, and what are some of the things that will be restored? (Chapter 8)
9. In this chapter, what kind of flock did the first shepherd pasture? (Chapter 11)
10. When the Lord raises up Judah to victory, what will the feeblest among them be like? (Chapter 12)
11. When the Lord descends on the Mount of Olives to defend Israel, what will happen? (Chapter 14)

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DEEPER THOUGHT

1. The Lord says Jerusalem will be a city without walls, so how will it be protected? (Chapter 2)
2. How do Joshua the high priest, and the things said to him, represent us? (dirty clothes, a brand plucked from the fire, the stone with seven facets) (Chapter 3)
3. How will God bring restoration to the temple? (Chapter 4)
4. What is the meaning of the vision of the basket? What do the women in it and the lead cover represent? Why is it brought to Babylon? (Chapter 5)
5. The one who will rebuild the temple is called "The Branch". Who is this, and why is He called "The Branch"? (Chapter 6)
6. When God restores Israel, how will the nations react to the Jew? Had that been the case up until then? (Chapter 8)
7. How will the king of Zion come and what will he bring, according to Zechariah? Why did many Jews not believe in king Jesus when he came? (Chapter 9)
8. What is the meaning of the shepherd with his two staffs "Union" and "Favor"? What is the prophetic meaning of the 30 pieces of silver? (Chapter 11)
9. What are the meanings of the statements in Zechariah 12:10; 13:1 and 13:7? "They will look on me, whom they have pierced?" "On that day, a fountain will be opened to the house of David", and "Strike the shepherd and the sheep will be scattered." (Chapters 12 & 13)

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Consider this:

In Acts 1:12 Jesus departed earth from the Mount of Olives. The angels said that Jesus would return in like manner as is prophesied in Zechariah 14. On that day, there will be no daytime or nighttime!

ANSWERS TO LESSON 73

OBSERVATIONS

1. The Lord said he would return to them. He would have craftsmen drive out their enemies and he would restore them. (1:3,18-21, 10:6)
2. The apple of his eye. Many nations will be joined to the Lord and will be His people. (2:8, 11)
3. Joshua is standing in dirty clothes and being accused by Satan. Satan is rebuked and Joshua is clothed in clean garments. God's servant, "The Branch", will bring complete cleansing to the people in one day. (3)
4. The sevenfold lamp is the eyes of the Lord looking throughout the earth; and the olive trees are the two who are anointed to serve in all the earth. (4:10, 14)
5. It was a curse to destroy all who were thieves and all who swear falsely. (5:1-4)
6. They were the spirit of God sent forth in the earth to accomplish God's purposes. They found peace in all the earth, especially in the north. It was good to have peace, but it was hard because Jerusalem was in captivity. (1:8-13, 6:1-8)
7. He said that they had been fasting and feasting unto themselves and not the Lord. He told them instead to administer true justice, show mercy and compassion and to not think evil toward one another. (7:4-10)
8. "The Holy Mountain" and the "City of Truth". People will live to an old age. The crops will grow well. They will become a blessing to others. (8:3-4, 12-13)
9. A flock marked for slaughter. (11:1-7)
10. Like David. (12:8)
11. The mountain will split, forming a valley which the people will flee in. (14:3-5)

QUESTIONS FOR DEEPER THOUGHT

1. The Lord would be a wall of fire around it! As it says in Psalm 125, if they trust in the Lord, he will be protected by Him, just as the mountains surround Jerusalem. (2:3-5)
2. The Lord plucks us from hell, cleanses us, and does a complete work in us, giving us something solid to stand on. (3)
3. Not by might or power, but by his Spirit. We have to walk in the Spirit of God and not in our ability. (4:6)
4. The woman represented wickedness. The basket represented the measure of wickedness in the land. Lead is made from dross—man's attempt to cover sin. Israel's sin would cause her to wind up in Babylon. (5:5-11)
5. The Branch is Jesus, so-called because He is God's arm reaching out to rebuild. (6:12-13)
6. Men from different nations will grab ahold of a Jew and say, "Let us go with you, because God is with you." This has NOT been the case. The Jews had been hated by many people. (8:23)
7. He will be gentle, riding on a donkey's colt. He will bring salvation. Jews were looking for a powerful deliverer in the natural. (9:9)
8. This shepherd pictures Jesus. Had the people followed him, He would have brought "favor" (salvation) and "union" (unity). He was betrayed by Judas for 30 pieces of silver. (11:7-12)
9. When Jesus was crucified, it was a fountain of cleansing. Many Jews realized then, and more will in the future. Jesus, the Shepherd, was smitten (killed) and the sheep were scattered.