ZECHARIAH

"Yahweh Remembers"

After of the Captivity, the returnees

- Rebuilt the altar in about **536 B.C.**, Ezra 3:1-3
- Laid the <u>foundation</u> for the temple, Ezra 3:7-10, <u>11-13</u>
- Work on the temple stopped! Ezra 4!
- Work remained stopped...until
 Haggai and Zechariah, about 520 BC

After of the Captivity Haggai and Zechariah encouraged Joshua (the high priest) and Zerubbabel (the governor) to

encourage the people to rebuild the temple!

Their ministries were effective, and work on the temple resumed and was successful! The rebuilt temple was dedicated about 4 years later in 516 B.C., 70 years after it had been destroyed.

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Introduction: Call to Return, 1:1-6.

Eight Visions of Encouragement, 1:7-6:15.

Questions Concerning Fasts, 7:1-8:23.

Two "Burdens" Concerning the Future, 9:1-14:21

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Portrait of the Coming Messiah

- 1. The source of joy, 9:9; 10:7.
- 2. The coming King!, 9:9, 10b.
- 3. Just (Righteous), 9:9.
- 4. Endowed with salvation, 9:9
- 5. Humble, 9:9.

- 6. Entering Jerusalem on a donkey, 9:9.
- 7. The giver of peace, 9:10.
- 8. The One who will shed His blood to ratify a covenant, 9:11.
- 9. Israel's Defender and Savior, 9:15-16.

- 10. The God Who hears and answers prayers, 10:1, 6.
- 11. The Shepherd of Israel, 10:2-3
- 12. The One who was rejected and sold for 30 pieces of silver, 11:4-14.

- 1. Yahweh, who will defend Israel, 12:1-2, 8-9; 14:1-3.
- 2. Yahweh, who is coming back and who they will see, 12:10.
- 3. Yahweh, who was pierced, 12:10; 13:6.

"For these things came to pass to fulfill the Scripture, 'NOT A BONE OF HIM SHALL BE BROKEN.' And again another Scripture says, 'THEY SHALL LOOK ON HIM WHOM THEY PIERCED." John 19:36-37

"BEHOLD, HE IS COMING WITH THE CLOUDS, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him; and all the tribes of the earth will mourn over Him. So it is to be. Amen." Revelation 1:9

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4. Yahweh, who will pour out the Spirit of grace and of supplication, 12:10.

""As for Me, this is My covenant with them," says Yahweh: "My Spirit which is upon you, and My words which I have put in your mouth shall not depart from your mouth, nor from the mouth of your offspring, nor from the mouth of your offspring's offspring," says Yahweh "from now and forever."

""I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will be careful to observe My ordinances. You will live in the land that I gave to your forefathers; so you will be My people, and I will be your God." Ezekiel 36:27-28

- 4. Yahweh, who will pour out the Spirit of grace and of supplication, 12:10.
- 5. Yahweh of Hosts Who Will Bring Cleansing From Sin, 13:1-3, 8-9a.
- 6. The Shepherd who will be stricken, 13:7

Then Jesus *said to them, "You will all fall away because of Me this night, for it is written, 'I WILL STRIKE DOWN THE SHEPHERD, AND THE SHEEP OF THE FLOCK SHALL BE SCATTERED." Matthew 26:31

- 7. Yahweh, their God Who Identifies With His People and Answers Prayer, 13:9b.
- 8. The Coming, Conquering King, 14:1-5!

Cf. Acts 1:9-<u>12</u>
The Mount of Olives!

When Jesus is King...(Zech. 14)

- Unusual light, 14:6-7
- River of living water, 8
- One World government, 9
- Topographic changes, 10
- Removal of the curse, 11.
- All nations will worship God...or else!
- All of life will be holy to Yahweh, 20-21

What an incredible portrait Zechariah gave his people of Messiah.

WHY???

- 1. "Focus"
- 2. Sin!
- 3. Hope!

When going through trials, we need to keep our eyes on Jesus... for the future... but also for the present.



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