

A Study in the Book of Zechariah

"O Glorious Day"

Zechariah Chapter 12-13:6

WEEK 8 – July 27

Zechariah Outline

2nd Year of Darius – Word and Visions

- The First Word 1:1-1:6
- Eight Visions 1:7-6:8
 - 1. Horsemen
 - 2. Horns and Craftsman
 - 3. Measuring Line and Jerusalem
 - 4. Joshua the High Priest
 - 5. Lampstand and Olive Trees
 - 6. Flying Scroll
 - 7. Woman in a Basket
 - 8. Four Chariots
- Priest on His Thrown (Performance) 6:9-6:15

4th Year of Darius - Word and Oracles

- Instruction and Warning (fasting) 7
- Encouragement and Hope (feasting) 8
- The First Oracle 9-11
- The Second Oracle 12-14

"A Day is Coming...."

• "On that day...." 15 times in this oracle

· What Day?????

The Day of The LORD

- Mentioned or referenced many times in the Prophets and New Testament
- Isaiah 2 is the first direct reference
- "Day of the LORD" "Great and Magnificent Day"
 "That Day" "The Great Day of Wrath" "The Great
 Day of God the Almighty"
- At least 6 times in the NT Revelation 6:17 "The great day of wrath has come..."

The Day of The LORD

- God's fierce anger, wrath, and vengeance
- The LORD Himself victorious over an army of the nations
- Pride of the nations brought low
- The Heavens tremble and the Earth shaken
- Punishment for the host of Heaven and the Kings of the Earth
- Wonders in the heavens and signs on the earth, blood, fire, smoke, sun darkened, moon turned to blood
- Everlasting blessing and protection for the redeemed remnant of Israel

Two Interpretations

- Are the descriptions in these passage primarily representative of spiritual realities or physical realities?
- Are these descriptions <u>metaphorical</u> or <u>literal?</u>

Isaiah 2:2-3

It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it, and many peoples shall come, and say: "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob, that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths."

Isaiah 13:9-10

Behold, the day of the LORD comes, cruel, with wrath and fierce anger, to make the land a desolation and to destroy its sinners from it. For the stars of the heavens and their constellations will not give their light; the sun will be dark at its rising, and the moon will not shed its light.

Zech 12:1-9

- The Oracle is concerning Israel (vs 1)
- Reminder of God's absolute Sovereignty over all creation, life, and mankind (vs 1)
- An massive army (all the nations of the earth) invades Judah and besieges
 Jerusalem (vs 2-3)
- Judah and Jerusalem will supernaturally prevail (vs 4-9)

Zech 12:10-14

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 - A reversal of what Paul described in Romans 11:7-8

Romans 11:7-8

What then? Israel failed to obtain what it was seeking. The elect obtained it, but the rest were hardened, as it is written, "God gave them a spirit of stupor, eyes that would not see and ears that would not hear, down to this very day."

Zech 12:10-14

- God will give the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirt of grace and plea for mercy to move them to mourn at the site of their Messiah, Jesus Christ.
 - A removal of what Paul described in Romans 11:7-8
- A mourning like when King Josiah died at the hands of Pharaoh Necho II in ~609 BC

The One Whom They Pierced

- Hebrew word means "thrust through" "stabbed" "stricken"
- Unmistakable reference to Jesus stabbed with a spear on the cross

John 19:36-37

For these things took place that the Scripture might be fulfilled: "Not one of his bones will be broken." And again another Scripture says, "They will look on him whom they have pierced."

The One Whom They Pierced

- Hebrew word means "thrust through" "stabbed" "stricken"
- Unmistakable reference to Jesus Crucified and stabbed with a spear
- Rev 1:7 Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

Mourning Families

- Family of Nathan Prophets
- Family of Levi Priests
- Family of Shimeites Keepers of the Tabernacle

Zech 13:1-6

- Salvation still available to those who are mourning (vs 1)
- An end to Idolatry, and end to all false prophecy, and condemnation for all false prophets (vs 2-3)
- False Prophets ashamed and casting off and hiding the marks of their former trade (vs 4-6)

Matthew 24:29-30

"Immediately after the distress of those days

"the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from the sky, and the heavenly bodies will be shaken."

"Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory.

Matthew 24:9-11

"Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of me. At that time many will turn away from the faith and will betray and hate each other, and many false prophets will appear and deceive many people.

NEXT WEEK

WEEK 9 – August 3

"From Plunder to Paradise"

Zechariah ch13:7- ch14