

A Study in the Book of Zechariah

"The Good Shepherd and the Doomed Flock"

Zechariah Chapter 10-11

WEEK 7 — July 20

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

- Has the Church replaced Israel?
- Are the nation of Israel and the Church forever separate in God's eyes?
- Is the modern nation of Israel in Covenant with God?

- The nation of Israel was in Covenant with God (Mosaic, Exo 19-24)
- The Mosaic Covenant was meant as a foreshadow of the New Covenant
- By the Blood of Christ, The Mosaic Covenant has been made "obsolete" (Heb 8) and is "annulled" (Zech 11)

- Israel was destroyed as a nation 40 years after the resurrection of Jesus by the Romans (Jerusalem was later rebuilt as a Roman City "Aelina Capitolina" by Emperor Hadrian)
- The Jews were partially hardened for the time of the gentiles (Rom 11)

- God is saving a Remnant of the Jews and Gentiles into the <u>one true Israel</u>, <u>the one</u> <u>true Church</u> – There is now no distinction between Jew and Gentile (Rom 10)
- The current nation of Israel, though containing a remnant of God's people in the blood relatives of Abraham, is not in covenant with God

What Concluded with the Coming of the New Covenant through the Blood of Christ

- The Mosaic Covenant The Law (Heb 8)
 - The Temple and all Temple Ceremony and Sacrifice, and presence of God (destroyed by Rome in 70 AD)
 - The Priesthood, the Prophets
 - Israel's National Identity (until 1948)

Ch. 10 Summary (past, pres., future)

- The Flock of God wanders, and God is angry with the leaders he has placed over them – vs 1-3
- God Himself will be their shepherd and lead them is safety and victory vs 4-5

God as Shepherd (Psalm 23)

- Jacob's sons were all Shepherds
- A Shepherd would come from Jacob
 - Gen 49:24b "by the hands of the Mighty One of Jacob (from there is the Shepherd, the Stone of Israel)"
- David would Shepherd Israel Psalm 78, 2 Sam 5
- Ezekiel 34:23 "And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd."
- John 10 "I am the good Shepherd"

From The LORD of Hosts...

• Cornerstone – bears weight, alignment, direction – FOUNDATION

Isa 28:16

therefore thus says the LORD God, "Behold I am the one who laid the foundation in Zion, a stone, a tested stone, a precious cornerstone, a sure foundation..."

Psalm 118:22

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

Ephesians 2:20

....Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone....

From The LORD of Hosts...

- Cornerstone bears weight, alignment, direction – FOUNDATION
- Tent peg Secures the shelter SHELTER
- Battle Bow Weapon of war STRENGTH
- Every Ruler Government PROVISION

Ch. 10 Summary (past, pres., future)

- God will redeem his <u>whole</u> house from <u>every</u> nation to an <u>expanded</u> homeland, the nations humbled and judged – vs 6-10
- God (In Christ) will accomplish this vs 11-12
- God will judge and bring low the faithless shepherds – 11:1-3

Ch. 10 Summary (past, pres., future)

- Vs 1-3 God's Motive
- Vs 4-5 God's Man
- Vs 6-10 God's Mission
- Vs 11-12 God's Method
 - 11a Jesus coming as Priest
 - 11—12 Jesus coming as King

In 11:4-14, Listen for....

- The LORD sending his servant to a flock who would detest and reject him, even though they are exploited by the own leaders
- This servant is sold for 30 pieces of silver by those leaders, the money is "throne to the potter"
- This servant "annuls" His covenant with them and breaks the union between his tribe and their tribes
- The faithless leaders are destroyed and the flock doomed to slaughtered

Ch. 11 Summary (past)

- HE is commanded to "Feed" a doomed flock (generation of Israel at the time of Jesus birth and ministry) (vs 4)
- "Shepherds" (Pharisee, Sadducee, tetrarch/Priests, Prophets, Kings) become sheep sellers, exploit the flock and call it a blessing from God (vs 5)
- The buyers (Romans) slaughter them and go unpunished (vs 5)

Two Broken Staffs

- A Shepherds staff is used to restrain and protect the sheep
- First Staff Covenant with the peoples
- Second Staff Union between Judah and Israel

Ch. 11 Summary (past)

- HE destroys the 3 shepherds (vs 8)
- The Sheep detest HIM, and HE grows impatient with them
- HE annuls his covenant with them, and is no longer their Shepherd
 - HE breaks the union between Judah and Israel

The Shepard Priced by the Traders

- Judas bargains for 30 pieces of silver to betray Jesus to the Chief Priests
- Judas tries to return the money for betraying innocent blood, and throws the money in the Temple, and hangs himself
- They use the money to buy the Potter's field as a burial place for strangers and call it Field of Blood

Ch 11:4-15 Alignment with Jesus

- The Father sends His Son to a people, exploited by the Romans and their own leaders, who would detest and reject him
- Jesus is sold for 30 pieces of silver and the money is thrown into the Temple and used to buy a potter's field
- Jesus fulfills the OC, ushers in the NC (Broken Favor)
- The Nation of Israel and the Temple are completely destroyed by the Romans and the Jews are hardened to the Gospel (Broken Union)

NEXT WEEK

WEEK 8 – July 27
"O Glorious Day"
Zechariah 12-13