



Small Group Study Questions

Week 1

Zechariah 1:7-2:13(NASB 1995)

7 On the twenty-fourth day of the eleventh month, which is the month Shebat, in the second year of Darius, the word of the Lord came to Zechariah the prophet, the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo, as follows: **8** I saw at night, and behold, a man was riding on a red horse, and he was standing among the myrtle trees which were in the ravine, with red, sorrel and white horses behind him. **9** Then I said, "My lord, what are these?" And the angel who was speaking with me said to me, "I will show you what these are." **10** And the man who was standing among the myrtle trees answered and said, "These are those whom the Lord has sent to patrol the earth." **11** So they answered the angel of the Lord who was standing among the myrtle trees and said, "We have patrolled the earth, and behold, all the earth is peaceful and quiet."

12 Then the angel of the Lord said, "O Lord of hosts, how long will You have no compassion for Jerusalem and the cities of Judah, with which You have been indignant these seventy years?" **13** The Lord answered the angel who was speaking with me with gracious words, comforting words. **14** So the angel who was speaking with me said to me, "Proclaim, saying, 'Thus says the Lord of hosts, "I am exceedingly jealous for Jerusalem and Zion. **15** But I am very angry with the nations who are at ease; for while I was only a little angry, they furthered the disaster." **16** Therefore thus says the Lord, "I will return to Jerusalem with compassion; My house will be built in it," declares the Lord of hosts, "and a measuring line will be stretched over Jerusalem.'" **17** Again, proclaim, saying, 'Thus says the Lord of hosts, "My cities will again overflow with prosperity, and the Lord will again comfort Zion and again choose Jerusalem.'"

18 Then I lifted up my eyes and looked, and behold, *there were* four horns. **19** So I said to the angel who was speaking with me, "What are these?" And he answered me, "These are the horns which have scattered Judah, Israel and Jerusalem." **20** Then the Lord showed me four craftsmen. **21** I said, "What are these coming to do?" And he said, "These are the horns which have scattered Judah so that no man lifts up his head; but these *craftsmen* have come to terrify them, to throw down the horns of the nations who have lifted up *their* horns against the land of Judah in order to scatter it."

2 Then I lifted up my eyes and looked, and behold, *there was* a man with a measuring line in his hand. **2** So I said, "Where are you going?" And he said to me, "To measure Jerusalem, to see how wide it is and how long it is." **3** And behold, the angel who was speaking with me was going out, and another angel was coming out to meet him, **4** and said to him, "Run, speak to that young man, saying, 'Jerusalem will be inhabited without walls because of the multitude of men and cattle within it. **5** For I,' declares the Lord, 'will be a wall of fire around her, and I will be the glory in her midst.'"

6 "Ho there! Flee from the land of the north," declares the Lord, "for I have dispersed you as the four winds of the heavens," declares the Lord. **7** "Ho, Zion! Escape, you who are living with the daughter of Babylon." **8** For thus says the Lord of hosts, "After glory He has sent me against the nations which plunder you, for he who touches you, touches the apple of His eye. **9** For behold, I will wave My hand over them so that they will be plunder for their slaves. Then you will know that the Lord of hosts has sent Me. **10** Sing for joy and be glad, O daughter of Zion; for behold I am coming and I will dwell in your midst," declares the Lord. **11** "Many nations will join themselves to the Lord in that day and will become My people. Then I will dwell in your midst, and you will know that the Lord of hosts has sent Me to you. **12** The Lord will possess Judah as His portion in the holy land, and will again choose Jerusalem.

13 "Be silent, all flesh, before the Lord; for He is aroused from His holy habitation."

DIGGING DEEPER

What are some future things that you have hope for?

What are some future things that you know are in God's plan?

Read Zechariah 1:7-11

What kingdom is King Darius ruler of? (See Daniel 5:30)

What do these verses have to say about how he ruled the kingdom?

Read Zechariah 1:12-17

What are the promises made in these verses?

What made God stop choosing Jerusalem?

DIGGING DEEPER

Read Zechariah 1:18-21

Why are these nations being judged? (Hint: vs. 15)

Read Zechariah 2:1-13

What are the promises in the first five verses about Jerusalem? Did this happen yet?

Whom is the speaker starting in verse 6? Is it Jesus? Why or why not?

If it is Jesus, has this fully happened yet? Why or why not?

What does knowing that God has a plan for the future mean to you?

TAKING IT HOME

PRAYER REQUEST

