

A Renewed Remnant

Lesson 6

The Prophecy Of Zechariah

Introduction

Through Haggai's preaching, the remnant was encouraged to rebuild the physical temple. Even though Zechariah also exhorted them in this effort, the focus of his prophecy was more spiritual and long-term... God had the Messiah's spiritual house in mind. Haggai stressed the importance of God's house once again standing in literal Jerusalem despite opposition. Zechariah emphasized spiritual Jerusalem also defended by God, and where everything is holy (cp. 14:20).

The book is filled with visions and figurative language, and it is full of Messianic prophecy.

NOTE: Our purpose will not be to exhaustively study this book. Rather, we have chosen a few selections that highlight the Messianic tenor of Zechariah's prophecy.

- 1) When did Zechariah begin to prophesy? (1:1) When did it relate to Haggai's preaching?

- 2) What were his "opening remarks" to the remnant? (1:2-6) What was the situation re: the remnant that would have necessitated these remarks?

Vision Of The Horsemen (1:7-17)

- 3) What were the horsemen doing? (vv. 10-11)

- 4) What was the question asked of Jehovah? (v. 12)

- 5) What was His answer? (vv. 14-17)

- 6) What is the spiritual application to the Messiah's kingdom?

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Vision Of The Man & His Measuring Line (2:1-5)

- 7) What is emphasized about Jerusalem? (v. 4)

- 8) What "walls" would Jerusalem have for protection? (v. 5)

- 9) How would this have related to literal post-exilic Jerusalem?

- 10) What is the spiritual application to the Messiah's kingdom?

Vision Re: Joshua The High Priest (3:1-10)

- 11) Who is mentioned in v. 1? (Job 1:6-12; 2:1-6)

- 12) What is represented by Joshua's appearance? (vv. 3-5)

- 13) Who did Joshua represent? (vv. 8-10; Isa. 4:2; 11:1-10; Jer. 23:5)

- 14) What is the spiritual application to the Messiah's kingdom?

Vision Of The Lampstand & Two Olive Trees (4:1-14)

- 15) How was this vision meant to encourage Zerubbabel? (vv. 6-10)

- 16) What did the 2 olive trees represent? (vv. 11-14; Lev. 8:12; 1 Sam. 10:1; Zech. 6:13)

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17) What is the spiritual application to the Messiah's kingdom?

The Double Crowns (6:9-15)

18) What instructions were given in vv. 9-10?

19) Who was to be crowned? (v. 11)

20) Who did he represent? (v. 12; Isa. 4:2; 11:1-10; Jer. 23:5)

21) Who is referenced in v. 15? (Eph. 2:11-22)

22) What is the spiritual application to the Messiah's kingdom?

The Spiritual Jerusalem (12:1-14)

23) How is God described? (v. 1)

24) How is Jerusalem described? (vv. 2-3; Psa. 2:1-7; Mt. 21:42-44; 1 Pet. 2:6-8)

25) What will God "pour" upon the new Jerusalem? (v. 10; Jn. 19:31-37)

26) Despite their disobedient actions, how will the people feel? (vv. 11-14; Acts 2:37)