

Zechariah

(10) The Promise of Israel's Restoration

What the Lord has determined for Israel...8:9-23

What reminder does the Lord give to those Jews hearing this prophecy? vs.9-10

Be strong to build the temple. Remember the past. The Lord had judged them...

But what is the incredibly positive promise of vs.11?

But now I will not deal with the remnant of this people as I did in the past! Rejoice!!

What is His promise about the land of Israel (which had been smitten)? vs.12

The seed will prosper, great fruit, crops, and timely rainfall. Inheritance for the remnant.

And what will be the future fortune for the Jews? vs.13 8:1-3

They were a cursing among the nations but the Lord will save you to be a blessing!

What does the Lord command of this remnant? vs.14-17

Do not be afraid. Do what's right and avoid what I hate! Live in truth and prosper.

Now about those fasts (7:3). What is the Lord's answer on this? 8:18-19

Those festivals of mourning will become joyful happy festivals. Love truth and peace!

What does the Lord declare will also happen in Jerusalem? vs.20-23 see Rom.11:1

Many peoples (gentiles) will come to entreat the Lord. Clinging to Jews! Lord is with them

How the Lord has determined to restore Israel...9:1-9

Verses 1-8 lead up to the *first* coming of Jesus as Messiah, verse 9. The *second* coming of Jesus as King of Kings begins at verse 10. The whole Church Age fits between verse 9 and verse 10.

What is described in verses 1-4? see Dan.7:6

God's judgment on specific Gentile nations. The sequence is historically Alexander's.

What is further described in verses 5-7?

More judgment on specific Gentile nations. Some of these nations are no more...

With God's judgment rolling toward Israel, what's God's promise? vs.8 (Alexander passed twice)

He will defend His house, Israel. In the future Israel will be absolutely secure.

What's the next astounding prophecy? vs.9a Mt.21:1-11; Mark11:1-11; Lu.19:29-44; Jn.12:12-19

Rejoice, shout O Jerusalem! Your Righteous King brings salvation to you.

In contrast to a conquering king (like Alexander), how will Messiah come? vs.9b see Dan.9:25

He will come gently, riding on a colt, the foal of a donkey. Conquest by Grace!

Comment on Luke 19:39-40. Why did Jesus respond as He did? Mt.5:18

Because the Scripture (Zech.9:9) MUST be fulfilled. God's Word cannot fail.

Why is the Triumphal Entry so important in Jewish history? Lu.19:41-44

It was the official offer of Jesus as Messiah, and they did not recognize it. Judgment...