

Zechariah

(14) Israel's Restoration

The Lord redeems Jerusalem...12:1-9

What is the emphasis made by the Lord in 12:1?

This declaration is from the One who created everything, including man. LISTEN.

And the declaration He makes is concerning...? vs.1 see Zech.8:3

It's about Jerusalem (and Judah). Remember, He has chosen to dwell there, 8:3

Before the restoration what will the Lord do with Jerusalem? vs.2 Ps.75:8; Is.51:17; Jer.25:15-28

He will make Jerusalem like a cup that cannot be consumed. Cup often speaks of wrath.

What will it be like for Jerusalem in these final days? vs.3a

All the nations of the earth will be gathered against Jerusalem (the Jews there). No ally.

What does the Lord liken this attack to be like? vs.3b

Like a man trying to lift a rock that's too heavy for him. He hurts himself trying!

How does this battle start and what's it look like in the beginning? 14:1-3

The Lord gathers the nations. They appear to be winning. Then vs.3, the Lord fights them!

And how does the battle progress? 12:3-5

The Lord will fight for Jerusalem. Armies go mad, Jerusalem will not yield.

How will the leaders react to these things? vs.5

They will know Jerusalem is strong because the Lord is their God! Salvation has come...

How does the Lord use the leaders of Judah then? vs.6

The Lord makes them like a fire in dry kindling. Consume enemies all around them!

Why does the Lord save Judah before Jerusalem? vs.7 Comment??

So that Judah will not be inferior to Jerusalem and the house of David! What Wisdom...!

And what is one way the Lord will deliver the Jews in Jerusalem? vs.8-9 ISam.18:7; Is.37:36

He will make the feeblest like David and the house of David like The Lord! He delivers.

The Lord Jesus is revealed to the nation of Israel...12:10-14

Now that the Lord has delivered the Jews physically, what is next? vs.10a

He pours out His Spirit of grace and supplication. Eph.2:8-9. For by grace you are saved...

And what will the Jews finally "see"? vs.10b see 13:6

They will look on Jesus (literally), the One they pierced, and are broken by the Spirit.

And what happens, nationally, to the Jews? vs.10-14 Rom.11:25-27

The whole nation will greatly mourn, grieve bitterly, by themselves. Blind no more...

What about you? Have you mourned over your sin and trusted Him alone for forgiveness?