

Minor Prophets
Zechariah
Lesson 2

Text: **Zechariah 1:1-17**

I. 1st Vision, The Horseman, and the Myrtle Tree, Vs.7-17

A. God Is Watching, Vs.7-10

i. **Night Vision,**

ii. **The Rider and Horses,**

See: **Genesis 16:6-15; 22:10-20; 31:10-15; Judges 6:10-25...**

James 1:5 “If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all *men* liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him.”

Psalm 25:14 “The secret of the LORD *is* with them that fear him; and he will shew them his covenant.”

Psalm 34:7 “The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.”

B. The Appeal, Vs.12

i. **The Angel of the Lord Spoke,**

Psalm 74:9&10 “We see not our signs: *there is* no more any prophet: neither *is there* among us any that knoweth how long. 10O God, how long shall the adversary reproach? shall the enemy blaspheme thy name for ever? ”

Psalm 79:5 “How long, LORD? wilt thou be angry for ever? shall thy jealousy burn like fire?”

Revelation 6:9&10 “I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: 10And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?”

Romans 8:18 “For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time *are* not worthy *to be compared* with the glory which shall be revealed in us.”

Jeremiah 25:8-14 “Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Because ye have not heard my words, 9Behold, I will send and take all the families of the north, saith the LORD, and Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will bring them against this land, and against the inhabitants thereof, and against all these nations

round about, and will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, and an hissing, and perpetual desolations. **10** Moreover I will take from them the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones, and the light of the candle. **11** **And this whole land shall be a desolation, and an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.** **12** And it shall come to pass, when seventy years are accomplished, that I will punish the king of Babylon, and that nation, saith the LORD, for their iniquity, and the land of the Chaldeans, and will make it perpetual desolations. **13** And I will bring upon that land all my words which I have pronounced against it, *even* all that is written in this book, which Jeremiah hath prophesied against all the nations. **14** For many nations and great kings shall serve themselves of them also: and I will recompense them according to their deeds, and according to the works of their own hands.”

Jeremiah 29:10&11 “For thus saith the LORD, That **after seventy years** be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place. **11** For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.”

C. The Answer, Vs.13-17

i. **Good & Comforting Words,**

ii. **A Jealous Lord,**

Exodus 20:5 “Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God *am* a jealous God ...”

Deuteronomy 4:24 “For the LORD thy God *is* a consuming fire, *even* a jealous God.”

iii. **Unnecessary Roughness,**

I Corinthians 2:7&8 “But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, *even* the hidden *wisdom*, which God ordained before the world unto our glory: **8** Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known *it*, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.”

iv. **Greater Comfort, Vs.16&17**