Zechariah Chapter 2:10-13 "THE LORD COMING TO HIS PEOPLE" 11/6/2024

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Zechariah

The Book of Zechariah is one the minor prophets in the Old Testament. It is the largest of the Minor Prophets. The Book of Zechariah describes more of the First and Second Comings of JESUS than any other Old Testament Prophets. The theme of the Book of Zechariah is hope and encouragement about a Messiah King. None other than JESUS CHRIST. The Book of Zechariah is quoted over forty time in the New Testament. More than any other of the Minor Prophets; mostly in the Gospels. Zechariah prophesies more about the First and Second Comings of JESUS CHRIST than all of the Minor

Prophets combined.

Let's Turn to Zechariah Chapter 2 and we will read the whole chapter.

Zechariah 2:1-13

"1 Then I raised my eyes and looked, and behold, 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 what is its width and what is its length."

3 And there was the angel who talked with me, going out; and another angel was coming out to meet him.

4 who said to him, "Run, speak to this young man, saying: 'Jerusalem shall be inhabited as towns without walls, because of the multitude of men and livestock in it.

5 For I,' says the LORD, 'will be a wall of fire all around her, and I will be the glory in her midst.' ""

"6 "Up, up! Flee from the land of the north," says the LORD; "for I have spread you abroad like the four winds of heaven," says the Lord.

7 "Up, Zion! Escape, you who dwell with the daughter of Babylon."

8 For thus says the LORD of hosts: "He sent Me after glory, to the nations which plunder you; for he who touches you touches the apple of His eye.

9 For surely I will shake My hand against them, and they shall become spoil for their servants. Then you will know that the LORD of hosts has sent Me.

10 "Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion! For behold, I am coming and I will dwell in your midst," says the LORD."

"11 "Many nations shall be joined to the LORD in that day, and they shall become My people. And I will dwell in your midst. Then you will know that the LORD of hosts has sent Me to you.

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12 And the LORD will take possession of Judah as His inheritance 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!""

Last time in Zechariah we looked at the first nine verses of Chapter 2. We studied about the man with the measuring line. The Man with the Measuring line is none other than JESUS CHRIST in a Christophany or an Old Testament appearance of JESUS CHRIST.

As we talked about last time, anytime a measuring line is described in the Scriptures refers to a literal measuring. Today Jerusalem is inhabited as Zechariah described. There is a multitude of people in it.

In Verse 5 we saw that the LORD would "Be a wall of fire around her." GOD defends HIS City and HIS people.

(Describe Elisha and his servant in 2 Kings Chapter 6)

(Describe Hezekiah and letter from King of Assyria in 2 Kings Chapter 19 and God's promise regarding the City.)

Just as GOD protected and defended HIS City Jerusalem, HE will fight for and defend you as well.

In verse 6 GOD tells the Children of Israel to flee from the land of the North. Refers to Babylon and also that is where the attacks would always come from. (Explain about my not understanding what this means and how HE explained it.) Rony Simon.

In verse 8 we saw God's Promise to Israel in that: "He who touches you touches the apple of His eye."

How tender is the affection of GOD towards Israel that the phrase, "The apple of HIS eye;" refers to the gate that light enters the eye or the pupil.

As one author said,

"The pupil or apple of the eye is a proverbial figure for that which is most precious; most easily injured; hardest of repair and most demanding of protection and care.

This is a most fitting symbol for Israel, because just as the light comes through the pupil, so the light of salvation has come through the Jews. (see <u>John 4:22</u>.)

Just as our vision is precious; God created protection for our eyes. He will also protect HIS people. This refers to the Jews and to Believers.

Lets read Zechariah Chapter 2 verses 10-13 again.

Zechariah 2:10–13 "10 "Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion! For behold, I am coming and I will dwell in your midst," says the LORD.

11 "Many nations shall be joined to the LORD in that day, and they shall become My people. And I will dwell in your midst. Then you will know that the LORD of hosts has sent Me to you.

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Zechariah 2:10

"10 "Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion! For behold, I am coming and I will dwell in your midst," says the LORD."

Here is an incredible verse about the coming of the MESSIAH—JESUS.

The phrase daughter of Zion refers to a literal location in the land of Israel.

Many times in scripture there will be what is know as a dual fulfillment prophecy. A dual fulfillment prophecy will have a short or near term fulfillment and a far or long term fulfillment.

There are several prophecies in scripture.

Turn to 2 Samuel Chapter 7

The background for this was when David brought the Ark of the Covenant from the house of Obed Edom to Jerusalem (Explain: David and Nathan)

<u>2 Samuel 7:11–13</u> "11 since the time that I commanded judges to be over My people Israel, and have caused you to rest from all your enemies. Also the Lord tells you that He will make you a house.

12 "When your days are fulfilled and you rest with your fathers, I will set up your seed after you, who will come from your body, and I will establish his kingdom.

13 He shall build a house for My name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever.

2 Samuel 7:16

"16 And your house and your kingdom shall be established forever before you. Your throne shall be established forever." ' ""

(Explain: Solomon / JESUS)

The second prophecy will look at is:

John 5:43

"43 I have come in My Father's name, and you do not receive Me; if another comes in his own name, him you will receive."

Turn to Matthew Chapter 27

(Talk about JESUS just arrested and trials)

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Matthew 27:15-17

"15 Now at the feast the governor was accustomed to releasing to the multitude one prisoner whom they wished.

16 And at that time they had a notorious prisoner called Barabbas.

17 Therefore, when they had gathered together, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release to you? Barabbas, or Jesus who is called Christ?"

Matthew 27:20-22

"20 But the chief priests and elders persuaded the multitudes that they should ask for Barabbas and destroy Jesus.

21 The governor answered and said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release to you?" They said, "Barabbas!"

22 Pilate said to them, "What then shall I do with Jesus who is called Christ?" They all said to him, "Let Him be crucified!""

(Explain what Barabbas's name means.)

The long term fulfillment is still yet future and will be the Coming World Leader, the Anti-Christ.

This man will be a fulfillment of Daniel Chapter 9 verse 27.

<u>Daniel 9:27</u> "27 Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; But in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate.

Having rejected their true Messiah; the Jewish people today are looking for A Messiah. Ask a Jewish person if they are looking for the Messiah. (Explain)

Zechariah 2:10

"10 "Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion! For behold, I am coming and I will dwell in your midst," says the LORD."

Zechariah Chapter 2 Verse 10 has incredible prophetic implications regarding JESUS's

- 1. First Coming
- 2. The Rapture
- 3. Second Coming/Millenial Kingdom

1. JESUS'S FIRST COMING

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Three out of the four Gospels have a genealogy of JESUS Christ. Matthew and Luke give us the genealogy of JESUS showing that HE is the descendant of David, and Adam.

The genealogy of the Gospel of JOHN shows us that JESUS has existed Eternally.

John 1:1 "1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God."

and verse 14

John 1:14

"14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth."

The word dwelt in the Greek is skenoo. It mean to "pitch a tent" or to tabernacle with; or to abide and live with.

JESUS who is the WORD and was with and is GOD. Has always existed. Yet he humbled HIMSELF to become one of us. (Explain)

JESUS then began HIS public ministry at thirty years of age.

Many times during HIS ministry, the crowds attempted to take JESUS by force and make king. JESUS always got out of, and away from the crowds.

But on what we celebrate as Palm Sunday. JESUS goes out of HIS way to bring about the events of that day.

Turn to Matthew Chapter 21; we will be looking at verses 9 to 11.

As Matthew Chapter 21 unfolds, JESUS tells the disciples to go into a nearby town where they would find a donkey and a colt tied. (EXPLAIN)

The events unfold just as JESUS told the Disciples.

In Matthew Chapter 21 verse 4, it is written:

Matthew 21:4 "4 All this was done that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying:"

Mathew Chapter 21 verse 5 is a direct quote from Zechariah Chapter 9 verse 9.

Zechariah 9:9

"9 "Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your King is coming to you; He is just and having salvation, Lowly and riding on a donkey, A colt, the foal of a donkey."

(Explain the difference about a King coming on a donkey vs a horse)

Let's look at verse 9 to 11.

Matthew 21:9-11

"9 Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: "Hosanna to the Son of David! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!' Hosanna in the highest!"

10 And when He had come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, "Who is this?"

11 So the multitudes said, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth of Galilee.""

Hosanna means, "Save now." The Pharisees understood what happening. They said to JESUS to rebuke HIS disciples from saying this. JESUS responded to the Pharisees that if the crowds were silent the very stones themselves would cry out.

But as JESUS rode into Jerusalem, HE wept over the city.

WHY? JESUS expected them to know Bible Prophecy. (Explain)

We are blessed here at Calvary Chapel to be taught the whole counsel of God. Sadly many churches today do not teach Bible Prophecy as it is to "controversial."

How well do you know Biblical Prophecy? Could you use the current events of today to point someone to the Bible and what it means regarding JESUS's return?

The crowds went from shouting "Hosanna" to three days later to "Crucify Him." (Discuss the difference between a King coming on a donkey vs a horse.)

(Explain Looking for a political vs a spiritual savior)

Zechariah 2:10

"10 "Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion! For behold, I am coming and I will dwell in your midst," says the LORD."

2. The Rapture

Turn to John Chapter 14

In John Chapter 14 JESUS comforts HIS disciples. In verse 1 HE tells them to not let there hearts be troubled; but as they believe in GOD the Father they are to believe in HIM also.

John 14:2-3

"2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also."

How is going to come again?

1 Thessalonians 4:16–18

"16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first.

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17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord.

18 Therefore comfort one another with these words."

(Briefly describe Jewish wedding feast.)

Zechariah 2:10

"10 "Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion! For behold, I am coming and I will dwell in your midst," says the LORD."

3. Second Coming / Millennial Kingdom

(Explain the difference between the Rapture and the Second Coming)

Revelation 19:11–14 "11 Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.

12 His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself.

13 He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God.

Zechariah 14:4 "4 And in that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, Which faces Jerusalem on the east. And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two, From east to west, Making a very large valley; Half of the mountain shall move toward the north And half of it toward the south."

After this event; JESUS will literally set up the Millennial Kingdom, on planet Earth.

Zechariah 2:10

"10 "Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion! For behold, I am coming and I will dwell in your midst," says the LORD."

There is a fourth fulfillment of JESUS coming and dwelling in our midst; personally.

(Share the Gospel)

As a sign of the promise of JESUS coming to reside in our hearts HE promised us someone else.

John 14:16-18

"16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—

17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

18 I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you."

John 14:23

"23 Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him."

Zechariah 2:11

"11 "Many nations shall be joined to the LORD in that day, and they shall become My people. And I will dwell in your midst. Then you will know that the LORD of hosts has sent Me to you."

The word for nations in this verse in the Hebrew is goy. Goy is used to describe non-Hebrew nations. (Gentiles—us).

As believers when we surrender our lives to JESUS; HE comes and lives inside of us along with the Holy Spirit and we become HIS people. (Describe the commonality among believers.)

When the LORD says, "My people;" it does not mean that the Church replaces Israel. We have looked at Replacement Theology before.

Gentiles are grafted into GOD's plan of salvation.

Also in verse 11; we see the Trinity or Tri-Une nature of GOD presented.

Zechariah 2:11

"11 "Many nations shall be joined to the LORD (Third-Person)in that day, and they shall become My people. (First Person)And I (First Person) will dwell in your (Second Person) midst. Then you (Second Person) will know that the LORD of hosts (Third Person) has sent Me (First Person)to you." (Second Person)

(Explain LORD in all Caps)

The LORD referenced in the third person with the first person represents at least two persons of the Godhead.

Zechariah 2:12

"12 And the LORD will take possession of Judah as His inheritance in the Holy Land, and will again choose Jerusalem."

In this verse is the only place in the Bible that refers to Israel as the Holy Land. Holy means to be set apart. This refers to a yet future fulfillment for the Nation of Israel. Is the Nation of Israel Holy today?

No, most of the Jewish people living there are atheistic — denying the existence of GOD. The Ultra Orthodox and the Orthodox don't follow the Hebrew or Greek Scriptures but the Talmud. The Talmud is man made non Biblical traditions.

You have cities like Tel Aviv that support things that GOD abhors like homosexuality.

(Describe the events of last October 7th with the music festival. New age- Eastern)

Zechariah 2:13

"13 Be silent, all flesh, before the LORD, for He is aroused from His holy habitation!""

Be silent is the Hebrew word has and is more of a term of awe and solemnity than the English word hush or shut up. Here Zechariah is describing coming judgement upon the nations as he describes the LORD being around from HIS holy habitation — heaven.