

Zechariah 1-6 Daily Study Questions (cont)

4. From Zechariah 2:1-13 what was the 3rd vision (v1-2) and what did God promise (v3-5, 10, 11, 12)? What would He do to their enemies (v8-9)? Why (v8, 13)?

5. Using 3:1-7 in the next vision what was Satan doing to Joshua (v1) and what did God do about it (v2, 3-5)? What was His “promise” and “promise” to Joshua (v6-7)? Apply.

6. Read 3:8-10. Who did God promise to bring to Israel one day (v8)? What were His two names (v8, 9) and what do they symbolize? What would He do for them (v9, 10)?

7. In 4:1-14 what was the next vision (v1-3) and the meaning of the lampstand (v14) and olive trees (v11-14)? What would Zerubbabel’s strength be for completing the temple (v6-10)?

8. From 5:1-4 what was the sixth vision (v1-2) and what did it mean (v3)? Where would the scroll go (v4-5) and what would it cause (v4-5)?

9. Looking at 5:5-11 describe the seventh vision (v5-8, 9-11)? Who was in the basket (v8) and where would she be taken (v11)? Why? Who does this represent?

10. Using 6:1-8 what was Zechariah’s final vision (v1-3)? Where would God’s judgment fall (v4-6) and how would God feel about this (v7-8)?

11. Based on 6:9-15 what did God do to Joshua (v11) and what did this represent (v12-13)? What was the purpose of the crown (v14-15) and how can we apply that?

12. Consider the revelations God gave Zechariah in 1-6. How would these have encouraged the people? How do they encourage you about your future?

Scripture to Remember

“Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit, says the Lord of hosts.”

Zechariah 4:6 (NASV)

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Life Group Questions—“Rel8”—(Ephesians 4:17-32)

(Using questions based on today’s message, Life Groups meet in homes to build supportive relationships with others at Celebration Fellowship that enable us to grow in Christ.)

1. Share with the group some characteristics of people that you don’t want to be around. How do you deal with such people in the church? How should you?
2. Read Eph 4:25-32. What are some types of lies we tell to ourselves and to others? Why is lying so destructive to relationships? How can we overcome this?
3. Talk about the difference between good and bad anger. How does unhealthy anger give the devil a foothold to spread his junk in our lives?
4. What are some things that we steal from each other and why does choosing to work instead stop this practice?
5. How is “potty mouth” like rotting fruit? If you have a problem with this, why do you think you do? How would using words of encouragement help eliminate this?
6. Why do bitterness and the refusal to forgive both grieve the Holy Spirit? What is the solution to this according to vss. 31-32? How can we help each other with all of these issues?
7. If there is anything else from the message that impressed you, share it.



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Night Vision

Introduction to Zechariah 1-6

Wikipedia defines night vision as “the ability to see in a dark environment”. This is what God gave the prophet Zechariah in this week’s study—six visions at night regarding His plans for Israel’s future. The current situation in Israel was indeed dark—after their return from seventy years of captivity they had become passive about the rebuilding of the temple. But God raised up a spiritual team—Haggai, Zechariah, and then Ezra—to inspire them to finish the temple and to repent and be restored spiritually by God. This spiritual restoration was primarily Zechariah’s calling, and he began by revealing to them the six visions God had given him of Israel’s future. The book opens with a call to return to God and then the

visions begin. The first one pictures four horses patrolling the earth which is at peace while Israel is still suffering. God promises, however, to show them compassion and restore them. In the second vision God shows the deconstruction of four evil foreign empires. He then measures Jerusalem in the third vision to symbolize its restoration. The pursuit of His glory and compassion for His people will accomplish this. The fourth and fifth visions depict God’s renewal of His nation through first Joshua, the high priest, and then Zerubbabel, the governor. These are the two “olive trees” on both sides of God to light up the earth, supplied by the strength of God’s Spirit. Joshua is a picture of Israel, the priest to the nations. Like Joshua they would be restored to minister for the



It is good when God gets in our face and straightens us up through His Word.

Lord. Ultimately, though, God’s Servant, the Branch and stone with seven eyes, will bring about prosperity for His people. The final visions of the scroll of judgment and four chariots of judgment show God’s retribution on evil in Israel and the nations. Once He accomplishes this He will place a crown on His Priest and King, Jesus, an event symbolized by the crown He places on Joshua. In the end the reign of the Messiah will provide complete comfort for His people, which was the real purpose of Zechariah’s night vision.

The 5 Purposes of the Purpose Driven Life

- **Worship**—You were planned for God’s pleasure
- **Fellowship**—You were formed for God’s family
- **Discipleship**—You were created to become like Christ
- **Ministry**—You were shaped for serving God
- **Evangelism**—You were made for a mission

Daily Study Questions for Zechariah 1-6

(For answers to questions attend an ABF or go to www.celebrationnet.com, small groups, abf)

<p>1. Read Zechariah 1:1-6. How had God felt towards Israel’s fathers (v1-2, 4, 6), and how had they responded (v4, 6)? What was the current generation to do (v3-5)?</p>	
<p>2. Using 1:7-17 describe Zechariah’s first vision (v7-8) and what it meant (v9-11). What was Zechariah’s concern (v12) and what were God’s promises (v13-14, 15, 16, 17)?</p>	
<p>3. Looking at 1:18-21 what were the two elements of the 2nd vision (v18, 20) and what did each mean (v19, 21)? Why would this bring comfort?</p>	

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