

Zechariah 12-14 Daily Study Questions (cont)

4. From Zechariah 13:1-6 what will God do for everyone in Israel at the end (v1)? What and who will be eliminated from them (v2) and how will this occur (v3, 4-6)?

5. Based on 13:7-9 who will be struck (v7) and what will result (v7-8)? What good will arise from this ultimately (v9)?

6. According to 14:1-4 what will God do in the end for Jerusalem (v1, 2) and how will He accomplish it (v3, 4)? What does v4 indicate about His involvement?

7. Using 14:5-8 what will the Jews do when the nations gather (v5) and how will the Lord respond (v5)? Describe the results of this response (v6-7, 8).

8. Read 14:9-11. What will happen to Jerusalem and surrounding areas (v10)? Why do you think this happens? What spiritual and social changes will occur (v9, 11)?

9. In 14:12-15 what will happen to all who have warred against Israel (v12, 13, 15)? How will this benefit Israel (v14)?

10. From 14:16-21 what will most of the nations do when Jesus reigns (v16) and what will be the general condition (v20-21)? What will happen to those who refuse (v17-19)?

11. Review Zech 12-14. What will God do for His people in the very end and what will conditions be like? How should that affect your life today?

Scripture to Remember

And the Lord will be king over all the earth; in that day the Lord will be the only one, and His name the only one."

Zechariah 14:9 (NASV)

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Life Group Questions—Crossing the Finish Line (2 Tim 4)

(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. Recall one of your most embarrassing moments and share that with the group. What were some of the effects of that?
2. Read 2 Tim 4:9-18. Why are some causes of humiliation, and how do we often deal with this? How do we avoid the temptation of "isolation that leads to devastation"?
3. Which is more difficult for you—when people desert you, or when they oppose you? Why? Using Paul's example how can we overcome the negative effects of this?
4. Share about a time that God stood with you and strengthened you. Talk about how to remember these times when things get hard again.
5. Why does saying the Word is not sufficient, or settled (who knows what it really means), or sure (unreliable) undermine our confidence for living? Why must we resolve this to truly "fight the fight" and "finish the course"?
6. Discuss some ways that we can "keep" or guard our faith and maintain a healthy look to the future.
7. If there is anything else from the message that impressed you, share it.



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Our Day Will Come

Introduction to Zechariah 12-14

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

In 1963 Ruby and the Romantics zoomed to the top of the charts with “Our Day Will Come”, a song celebrating the joyful anticipation of the day that two young people fall in love. Similarly, knowing that the Lord has a “day” planned for His people to set all things right offers encouragement to those who anticipate it. This is the force of Zechariah 12-14—the Lord has a day in which He will rescue His people, purify them, and restore them to the abundant future He has promised. Believing this future should enable the people of God to optimistically await its fulfillment. In chapter twelve God, who created everything, promises to make His people the instrument of His judgment on all the nations that come against them. He will bring

them glory when He saves them, and ultimately their salvation will come through their conviction over crucifying Jesus. This will occur as God pours out His Spirit of grace and supplication on them so that all, from greatest to least, mourn their treatment of the Lord. Their repentance will lead to the establishment of their purity, symbolized by the opening of a fountain for spiritual cleansing. Every idol will be cut off from them, and every false prophet and unclean spirit will be removed. This will primarily occur through God’s purified people; they will kill the false prophets. This will cause all of them to hide their identity due to fear of the consequences. However, before that time the Shepherd will be struck down and the sheep will be scattered; but a rem-



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

nant will be saved and refined. Finally, when all the nations are gathered the Lord Himself will stand on the Mt of Olives and become the light of the world. He will defeat the nations and assume His place as King of the world. Jerusalem will rise to prominence and all who have fought her will rot away. Those who enter the reign of Jesus will worship Him with His people, and all who refuse will be suffer in misery. Everyone will be holy, or set apart, to the Lord. In view of these things all of His people can say, “our day will come”.

Daily Study Questions for Zechariah 12-14

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

<p>1. Look at Zechariah 12:1-3. How is God described (v1) and what will He do (v2-3)? How do these two ideas (v1 compared to v2-3) relate?</p>	
<p>2. Using 12:4-9 what else will God do for His people (v4, 6, 7, 8, 9)? How would this make them feel (v7)?</p>	
<p>3. Read 12:10-14. What will God pour out on Israel in the last days (v10) and what will be the result (v10-14)? Who will they recognize as God (v10)?</p>	

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