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Zechariah's Night Visions - Zechariah 1:1-6:8

Topics: Accusation, Angels, Anger, Blessing, God, Holy Spirit, Judgment, Leadership, Messiah, Oppressed, People, Power, Promises, Prophecy, Repentance, Restoration, Satan, Vision

Open It

1. If you were asked to help in a historic preservation project, what type of project would interest you and what role would you like to play?
- * 2. What would you consider to be a successful assignment or undertaking of yours that grew out of an insignificant beginning?

Explore It

3. When did the Lord speak to the prophet Zechariah? (1:1)
- * 4. What word from the Lord did Zechariah bring to Israel in his call to repentance? (1:1-6)
5. What did the horsemen report in the first vision? (1:7-11)
6. What was the Lord's response in the first vision? (1:14-17)
7. How did the Lord explain the vision of the four horns and four craftsmen? (1:18-21)
8. How did the Lord respond in Zechariah's night vision of the surveyor? (2:1-13)
- * 9. What did God show the prophet in the vision of Joshua the high priest? (3:1-10)
- * 10. What was the explanation given concerning the golden lampstand and the two olive trees? (4:1-14)
11. How did God explain the significance of the flying scroll? (5:1-4)
12. What was described in the vision of the woman in the measuring basket? (5:5-11)
13. How did Zechariah describe the vision of the four chariots? (6:1-8)

Get It

14. In what ways do you need to be restored and comforted?
15. How have you benefited in important ways from past mistakes?
16. What spiritual "remodeling" or "rebuilding" needs to take place in your church body?
17. How does the Lord's charge to Joshua (3:7) apply to church leaders today?
- * 18. From what small beginnings in the life of your church do you expect God to accomplish great things?
- * 19. What ministry project are you involved in that you would like to see completed?
20. How does God warn His people today?
21. How is the Lord bringing peace to your life?

Apply It

22. What do you need to do to complete an unfinished ministry project?
- * 23. What small steps can you take to be obedient to the Lord in new ways this week?

Zechariah's Words of Encouragement - Zechariah 6:9-8:23

Topics: Advice, Anger, Answers, Blessing, Compassion, Disobedience, Faith, Fasting, God, Goodness, Heart, Holiness, Holy Spirit, Justice, Mercy, Messiah, Neighbor, Obedience, Peace, People, Promises, Prophecy, Questions, Rewards, Righteousness, Truth, Zeal

Open It

1. What was the best award you ever received?
2. When have you ever rejected good advice?
- * 3. What is the best part of restoring a broken relationship?

Explore It

4. What was Joshua's role in the symbolic crowning? (6:9-13)
5. What important points were mentioned in the prophetic message? (6:14-15)
6. What question was raised by the Bethelites? (7:1-3)
7. What message of rebuke followed the question about fasting? (7:4-7)
8. What was the nature of the second message from the Lord? (7:8-14)
- * 9. In His message of restoration, how did God describe Jerusalem? (8:1-8)
10. What did God say to the people who heard His words? (8:9-13)
- * 11. How did God affirm His promise of blessing? (8:14-17)
- * 12. What message of rejoicing did Zechariah bring to God's people? (8:18-23)

Get It

13. How can we expect God to reward us for the quality of our Christian life?
14. In what ways are we the temple of God?
15. What traditions are an important part of your church worship?
16. How does your church practice justice and mercy?
17. How can you show compassion to the needy?
18. In what crucial areas do you see the church turning a deaf ear to God's Word?
19. What kind of relationship does the Lord want to have with us?
- * 20. What can you expect from God when you are spiritually renewed?
- * 21. How do you celebrate God's goodness to you?

Apply It

- * 22. What small step can you take this week to develop a closer walk with the Lord?
23. In your work, worship, and witness this week, how can you show justice and mercy to those around you?

Messages after Completing the Temple - Zechariah 9:1-14:21

Topics: Anger, Compassion, Covenant, Creation, Divisions, Gentleness, God, Holiness, Idolatry, Judgment, Messiah, Mourning, Oppressed, Peace, People, Possessions, Prophecy, Protection, Punishment, Rebellion, Restoration, Righteousness, Salvation, Security, Shame, Sin, Sovereignty, War, Wealth

Open It

- * 1. What qualities do you admire in a leader?
- 2. If you needed someone to take care of you, who would be the best person for the job?
- 3. What preparations are you now making for the future?

Explore It

- 4. What were the judgments on nations surrounding Israel? (9:1-8)
- * 5. How did Zechariah describe the coming and role of the Messiah? (9:9-13)
- 6. How would Israel be empowered over her enemies? (9:14-17)
- * 7. How would the Messiah bless His people? (10:1-12)
- 8. Why was there such sadness across the land? (11:1-3)
- 9. What role did the prophet play in the life of Israel? (11:4-14)
- 10. How did Israel reject the Shepherd-Messiah? (11:4-14)
- 11. What were the consequences of rejecting the true Shepherd? (11:15-17)
- 12. How did the prophet describe Israel's physical deliverance? (12:1-9)
- 13. How would Israel's spiritual deliverance be accomplished? (12:10-13:6)
- 14. What would become of God's people? (13:7-9)
- 15. What would be Jerusalem's destiny? (14:1-3)
- * 16. What would characterize the coming and reign of the Lord? (14:4-21)

Get It

- * 17. What sorts of things can a person do that would characterize him or her as both gentle and righteous?
- 18. How can a Christian promote peace at home, in church, and within the community?
- 19. How does your church celebrate the hope of the Lord's return?
- 20. What are some of the sad results of poor or false leading?
- * 21. How is the Lord's care and leading evident in your church?
- 22. How are repentance and mourning part of the fabric of your church life?
- 23. How are you preparing for the coming of the Lord?

Apply It

- 24. In what ways can you be a peacemaker?
- * 25. What lurking leadership skills can you work on developing for the sake of God's kingdom?
- 26. What is one thing you can do to be ready for Christ's return?