

Godly Visions

I. Multiple Visions from God (Messianic and Millennial) (Zechariah 1–6)

A. Introduction and Message of Warning (Zechariah 1:1–6)

1 **In the eighth month, in the second year of Darius**, came the word of the LORD unto Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo the prophet, saying,

1. God is **mad**!

2 The LORD hath been **sore displeased**(burst out in **rage**) with your fathers.

3 **Therefore** say thou unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; **Turn ye unto me**, saith the LORD of hosts, **and I will turn unto you**, saith the LORD of hosts.

James 4:8

8 Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.

2. Don't be like the past **generations** were

4 **Be ye not as your fathers**, unto whom the former prophets have cried, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; **Turn ye now from your evil ways, and from your evil doings**: but **they did not hear, nor hearken unto me**, saith the LORD.

5 Your fathers, **where are they?** and the prophets, **do they live for ever?**

3. Reap what you **sew**

6 But **my words and my statutes**, which I commanded my servants the prophets, **did they not take hold of your fathers?** and they returned and said, Like as the LORD of hosts thought to do unto us, **according to our ways, and according to our doings**, so hath he dealt with us.

B. Ten Visions (All in **One** Night) (Zechariah 1:7–6:15)

1. Riders under Myrtle **Trees** (Zechariah 1:7–17)

7 Upon the **four and twentieth day of the eleventh month, which is the month Sebat, in the second year of Darius**, came the word of the LORD unto Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo the prophet, saying,

a. A Man on a **Red** Horse

8 I saw by night, and behold **a man riding upon a red horse**, and he stood among the myrtle trees that were in the **bottom(shade)**; and behind him were there **red horses, speckled, and white**.

b. The angel speaks - not the **rider** on the Horse

9 Then said I, O my lord, **what are these?** And the angel that talked with me said unto me, **I will shew thee what these be**.

c. The man among the trees speaks

10 And the man(rider on the red horse) that stood among the myrtle trees answered and said, These(the horses) are they whom the LORD hath sent to walk to and fro through the earth. (Israel)

d. The horses respond

11 And they(the horses) answered the angel of the LORD that stood among the myrtle trees, and said, We have walked to and fro through the earth, and, behold, all the earth sitteth still, and is at rest.
(It's Peaceful)

e. The Angel of the Lord speaks again

12 Then the angel of the LORD answered and said, O LORD of hosts, how long wilt thou not have mercy on Jerusalem and on the cities of Judah, against which thou hast had indignation these threescore and ten years?(70 years of captivity)

f. The Lord that spoke with the Angel that talked to me

13 And the LORD answered the angel that talked with me with good words and comfortable(console) words.

g. Now the Angel speaks to me

14 So the angel that communed with me said unto me, Cry thou, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; I am jealous(kaw-naw' = zealous) for Jerusalem and for Zion with a great jealousy(kin-naw').

15 And I am very(greatly) sore displeased(burst out in rage) with the heathen(the Gentiles) that are at ease(haughty): for I was but a little displeased, and they(the Gentiles) helped forward the affliction.

16 Therefore thus saith the LORD; I am returned to Jerusalem with mercies: my house shall be built in it, saith the LORD of hosts, and a line shall be stretched forth upon Jerusalem.

17 Cry yet, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; My cities through prosperity shall yet be spread abroad; and the LORD shall yet comfort Zion, and shall yet choose Jerusalem.

***Conclusion of dream 1 - God sent the rider of the red horse to tell the Angel to tell the people to get to the work that God had sent them to do - rebuild Jerusalem!**

2. Dream #2 - Four Horns (Zechariah 1:18–19)

18 Then lifted I up mine eyes, and saw, and behold four horns.

19 And I said unto the angel that talked with me, What be these? And he answered me, These are the horns(powers) which have scattered Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem.

Possibilities:

Assyria, Babylon, Medes, Persians

3. Dream #3 - Four Carpenters (Zechariah 1:20–21)

20 And the LORD shewed me **four carpenters**.

21 Then said I, **What come these to do?** And he spake, saying, These are the horns which have scattered Judah, so that no man did lift up his head: **but these are come to fray(shudder with terror) them, to cast out the horns of the Gentiles**, which lifted up their horn over the land of Judah **to scatter it**.

Possibilities:

**Zerubbabel, Joshua son of Josedech, Zechariah and Haggai or
Zerubbabel, Joshua son of Josedech, Ezra, and Nehemiah**

The Preacher's Journal

- **Haggai 1:1 - Second year of Darius sixth(Adar) month and the first day**
- **Haggai 1:15 - Second year of Darius sixth month and the 24th day of the month**
- **Haggai 2:1 - Second year of Darius seventh month(Nissan) and the 21st day of the month**
- **Zechariah 1:1 - Second year of Darius eighth month(Iyar)**
- **Haggai 2:10 - Second year of Darius ninth month(Sivan) and the 24th day of the month**
- **Haggai 2:20 – Second year of Darius ninth month and the 24th day of the month**
- **Zechariah 1:7 - Second year of Darius eleventh month, (Sebat) 24th day of the month**