ZECHARIAH

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CHAPTER 2







Zechariah informs us that, as we approach the end of days, we should not be surprised that Jerusalem will be front and center in the eyes of the entire world. This city will capture the headlines of news stations worldwide. Have you ever wondered why?

Jerusalem has no natural harbor. It isn't situated on any major trade route, nor is it a gateway city. It's not a banking or industrial or commercial or medical center. It has no natural resources, no oil! While it's too hilly for an airport, it also does not command any strategic high ground.

It has nothing at all to commend it except for the fact the God chose it for Himself; and to Satan, that makes it the most desirable piece of real estate on the planet.

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VISION OF THE MEASURING LINE

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."

COMMENTS

The issue here is not the square footage of this place it is a picture of ownership

This is a vision of Jerusalem's enlargement (v4-13). Just as a line was formerly stretched over the city to destroy, it is now to be extended over Jerusalem preparatory to rebuilding.

Manasseh - ¹³ And I will stretch over Jerusalem the measuring line of Samaria and the plummet of the house of Ahab; I will wipe Jerusalem as *one* wipes a dish, wiping *it* and turning *it* upside down. (2 Kings 21:13)

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.' "

COMMENTS

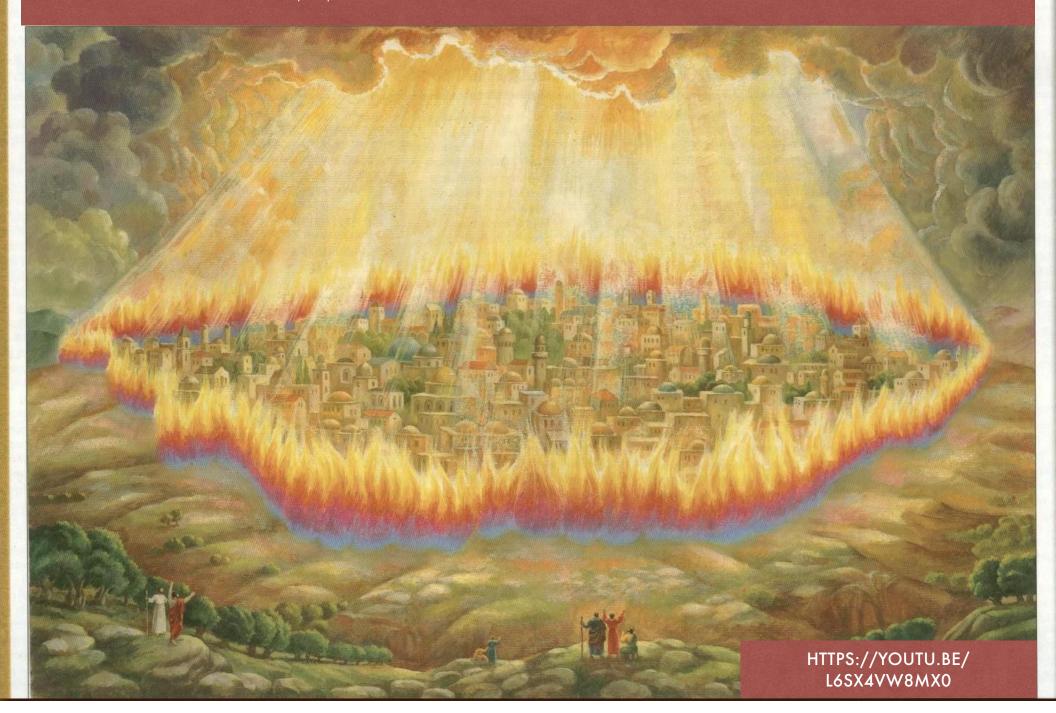
young man = 10-25 years old

"Without walls" = also speaks of vulnerability (Cf.Ezekiel 38, 39 where the enemy seeks to take advantage of this condition).

This is reminiscent of the pillar of fire in Exodus (14:19-24); also the chariots of fire in 2 Kings 6:17 - Gehazi).

¹⁷ And Elisha prayed, and said, "Lord, I pray, open his eyes that he may see." Then the Lord opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw. And behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

WALL OF FIRE



FUTURE JOY AND MANY NATIONS

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."

COMMENTS

A broader dispersion in now addressed (Prophecy is a pattern).

Zion - not just a geographical location but describes a people - Zionists

This is the **second regathering** that is the final one—the one presently underway

It shall come to pass in that day. *That* the Lord shall set His hand again the second time To recover the remnant of His people who are left, From Assyria and Egypt, From Pathros and Cush, From Elam and Shinar, From Hamath and the islands of the sea.12 He will set up a banner for the nations, And will assemble the outcasts of Israel, And gather together the dispersed of Judah. From the four corners of the earth. (Isaiah 11:11-12).

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3 "But I will gather the remnant of My flock out of all countries where I have driven them, and bring them back to their folds; and they shall be fruitful and increase. 4 I will set up shepherds over them who will feed them; and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, nor shall they be lacking," says the Lord.

5 "Behold, the days are coming," says the Lord, "That I will raise to David a Branch of righteousness; A King shall reign and prosper, And execute judgment and righteousness in the earth.

6 In His days Judah will be saved, And Israel will dwell safely; Now this is His name by which He will be called: THE LORD OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS.

7 "Therefore, behold, the days are coming," says the Lord, "that they shall no longer say, 'As the Lord lives who brought up the children of Israel from the land of Egypt,' 8 but, 'As the Lord lives who brought up and led the descendants of the house of Israel from the north country and from all the countries where I had driven them.' And they shall dwell in their own land."

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.

COMMENTS

This passage requires an understanding of the Trinity

'After' - This obviously refers to an eschatological event in which Babylon will be involved in the final events of history before the 2nd Coming of the Lord. [Cf. Revelation 17, 18.

"The apple of His eye": (Cf. Deuteronomy 32:10; Psalm 17:8; Proverbs 7:2.)

The pupil - the most sensitive part of the eye and where the light comes in

FUTURE JOY AND MANY NATIONS

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.

COMMENTS

Again the Trinity - the Lord is sending the Lord

Zechariah 8:23 - "Thus says the Lord of hosts: 'In those days ten men from every language of the nations shall grasp the sleeve of a Jewish man, saying, "Let us go with you, for we have heard *that* God *is* with you." '

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!"

COMMENTS

This is the only place where the phrase "holy land" is found in the Scriptures!

Certainly God is not finished with the city He chose 3,000 years ago for the throne of David (Isaiah 2:2-3). God will manifest to the world the immutable character of His original choice in the renewed, restored, and resettled Israel.

And by the way ... there will never be peace on earth until there is peace in Jerusalem.

There is a lot of chatter today about Jerusalem - note what He says ... SHUT UP!

JERUSALEM

The City of the Great King

The Golden City

The City of David

The City of God

The City of Truth

The Holy City

The Place where God sees and grants Peace



This is Mount Zion

SHIN - symbol of one of the Names of God (SHADDAI)

This letter is carved through the hills and valleys of Jerusalem

This his where the Temple was erected, where the Holiest of Holies resided

This is Mount Moriah, where the AKEDAH took place

This is where the 'HOSANNAS' rang out for the Messiah

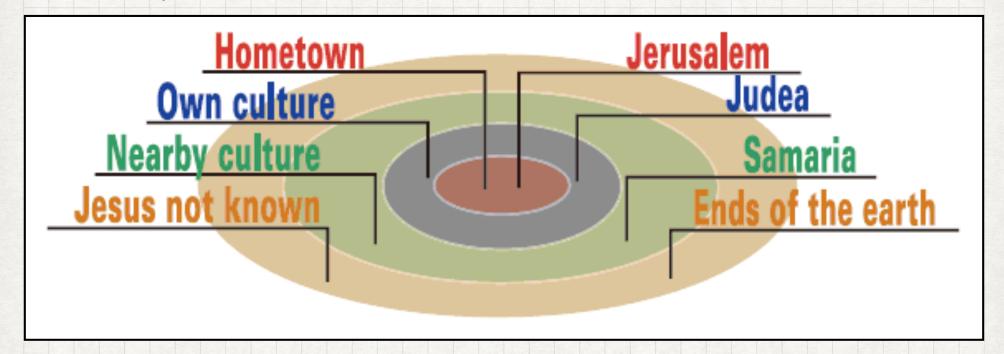
This is the place where Yeshua was crucified and resurrected

This is the place where one day soon Jesus will return and reign

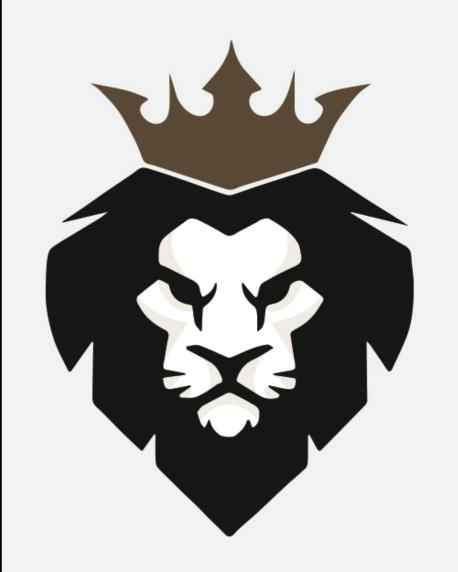
This is JERUSALEM!

QUESTIONS

- 1. Why is Jerusalem so important ... think past, present and future.
- 2. Why do you think so many churches omit Jerusalem when it comes to missions? Why do we parse Acts 1:8 into two? Allegorical and then literal



3. Do you see this regathering still taking place today?





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