

Minor Prophets – Zechariah II

The Oracles of Zechariah (Chapters 7-14)

Covenant PCA – Spring 2020

Theme: “Behold the Branch”

⁹Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.... ³For the LORD of hosts cares for his flock, the house of Judah, and will make them like his majestic steed in battle. ⁴From him shall come the cornerstone, from him the tent peg, from him the battle bow, from him every ruler—all of them together.... ¹²Then I said to them, “If it seems good to you, give me my wages; but if not, keep them.” And they weighed out as my wages thirty pieces of silver. ¹³Then the LORD said to me, “Throw it to the potter”—the lordly price at which I was priced by them. So I took the thirty pieces of silver and threw them into the house of the LORD, to the potter.... ¹⁰And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy, so that, when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn.... ¹On that day there shall be a fountain opened for the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to cleanse them from sin and uncleanness.... ⁷“Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, against the man who stands next to me,”^{SEP} declares the LORD of hosts. “Strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered; I will turn my hand against the little ones.” ... ⁸On that day living waters shall flow out from Jerusalem, half of them to the eastern sea and half of them to the western sea. It shall continue in summer as in winter. ⁹And the LORD will be king over all the earth. On that day the LORD will be one and his name one (Zechariah 9:9; 10:3b-4; 11:12-13; 12:10; 13:1, 7; 14:8-9).

Date	Lesson	Lesson Title	Zechariah
01-Mar-2020	13	A Question on Fasting	7:1-14
08-Mar-2020	14	Covenant Renewal	8:1-13
15-Mar-2020	15	Fasting into Feasting	8:14-23
22-Mar-2020	16	God’s Pawn: Alexander the Great	9:1-8
29-Mar-2020	17	The Triumphal Entry	9:9-17
05-Apr-2020	18	The LORD Is My Shepherd	10:1-5
12-Apr-2020	19	Scattered and Gathered	10:6-12
19-Apr-2020	20	The Price of Betrayal	11:1-17
26-Apr-2020	21	Strength through the LORD	12:1-9
03-May-2020	22	Mourning for the Pierced One	12:10-14
10-May-2020	23	A Fountain for Cleansing	13:1-6
17-May-2020	24	Strike the Shepherd	13:7-9
24-May-2020	25	The Return of the King	14:1-11
31-May-2020	26	Holy to the LORD	14:12-21

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Outline of Zechariah

- I. The Night Visions of Zechariah (1:1-6:15)
 - A. Introduction: Return to Me (1:1-6)
 - B. The First Vision: The Man in the Myrtles (1:7-17)
 - C. The Second Vision: Four Horns and Four Craftsmen (1:18-21)
 - D. The Third Vision: The Man with the Measuring Line (2:1-13)
 - E. The Fourth Vision: The Cleansing of Joshua (3:1-10)
 - F. The Fifth Vision: The Golden Lampstand (4:1-14)
 - G. The Sixth Vision: The Flying Scroll (5:1-4)
 - H. The Seventh Vision: The Flying Ephah (5:5-11)
 - I. The Eighth Vision: The Chariots of God (6:1-8)
 - J. Appendix: The Crowning of Joshua (6:9-15)
- II. The Question Concerning Fasting (7:1-8:23)
 - A. The Question (7:1-3)
 - B. The Negative Answer (7:4-14)
 - C. The Positive Answer (8:1-17)
 - D. The Answer (8:18-23)
- III. The Two Burdens (9:1-14:21)
 - A. The Burden upon the Land of Hadrach (9:1-11:17)
 - 1. The Syrian Conquests of Alexander (9:1-8)
 - 2. The Coming of Zion's King (9:9-10)
 - 3. Zion's Victory over the Greeks (9:11-17)
 - 4. The Perfect Redemption of Israel (10:1-12)
 - 5. The Good and Foolish Shepherds (11:1-17)
 - B. The Burden Concerning Israel (12:1-14:21)
 - 1. Future Blessings to Judah (12:1-14)
 - 2. Fruits of Penitence (13:1-6)
 - 3. The Sword Against the Shepherd (13:7-9)
 - 4. Future Blessings of the Church (14:1-21)

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Key Dates and Events (931-420 BC)

931 BC	Separation of Northern/Southern Kingdoms; Jeroboam I – King of Israel
885-841 BC	Israel: The Dynasty of Omri (4 generations)
874-853 BC	Israel: Ahab and Jezebel - ministry of Elijah
841-753 BC	Israel: The Dynasty of Jehu (5 generations)
790-739 BC	Judah: Reign of Uzziah
793-753 BC	Israel: Reign of Jeroboam II
753-722 BC	Israel: Reigns of six last kings of Israel
750-715 BC	Judah: Reigns of Jotham and Ahaz
734-732 BC	Rebellion of Israel and Damascus; Siege of Jerusalem; Campaign of Tiglath-pileser III
728-686 BC	Judah: Reign of Hezekiah
724-722 BC	Siege of Samaria by Shalmaneser V; fall of Samaria; end of Israel
722-705 BC	Deportation of Israel under Sargon II; Hezekiah's religious reforms; Submission to Sargon II
705-701 BC	Alliance revolts against Sennacherib
701 BC	Campaign of Sennacherib in Judah
697-642 BC	Reign of Manasseh; Religious apostasy
648 BC	Conquest of Babylon by Ashurbanipal
640 BC	Assassination of Amon; 8-yr old Josiah made king of Judah
632 BC	Josiah at age 16 begins to seek the Lord
628 BC	Josiah's first public reform movement
627 BC on	Death of Ashurbanipal; Weakening of Assyria
626 BC	Babylonian independence under Nabopolassar
622 BC	Discovery of the book of the law; Josiah's thorough reform movement
612 BC	Fall of Nineveh to Medes and Babylonians
609 BC	Fall of Haran to Babylonians; End of Assyria; Death of Josiah at Megiddo; Egypt in control of Judah
605 BC	Nebuchadnezzar becomes king of Babylonian Empire; Battle of Carchemish; 1st Captivity of Judah (Daniel)
597 BC	Siege of Jerusalem; Jehoiachin deported in 2nd Captivity (Ezekiel)
586 BC	Siege of Jerusalem; Destruction of temple and Jerusalem; 3rd Captivity - end of Judah
562 BC	Death of Nebuchadnezzar
539 BC	Fall of Babylon to Cyrus of Medo-Persia; End of Babylonian Empire; return to Jerusalem begins
538 BC	First return to Jerusalem under Zerubbabel; erection of altar
536 BC	Work on temple begun and stopped
530 BC	Death of Cyrus
522-486 BC	Reign of Darius Hystaspes
520 BC	Work on temple resumes under ministry of Haggai and Zechariah
516 BC	Work on temple completed
458 BC	Second return to Jerusalem under Ezra
444 BC	Nehemiah rebuilds the walls of Jerusalem
c. 420 BC	Close of the Old Testament canon with Malachi

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Kings and Prophets – 10th-5th Century BC

Assyria Kings	Israel Kings	Judah Kings/ Leaders	Prophets (rough dates)
	Jeroboam I 931-910	Rehoboam 931-913	
	Nadab 910-909	Abijam 913-911	
	Baasha 909-886	Asa 911-870	
	Elah/Zimri 886-885		
	Omri 885-874		
	Ahab 874-853	Jehoshaphat 873-848	Elijah 875-850
	Ahaziah 853-852	Jehoram 853-841	Obadiah? c. 850?
Shalmaneser III 859-824	Jehoram 852-841	Ahaziah 841	Elisha 850-800
Shamsi-adad V 824-810	Jehu 841-814	Athaliah 841-835	
Adad-nirari III 810-783	Jehoahaz 814-798	Joash 835-796	Joel c. 830-800?
Shalmaneser IV 783-773	Jehoash 798-782	Amaziah 796-767	
Ashurdan III 773-755	Jeroboam II 793-753	Uzziah 790-739	Jonah 785-750
Ashur-nirari V 755-745	Zechariah 753		Amos 785-750
	Shallum 752		
Tiglath-pileser III 745-727	Menahem 752-742	Jotham 750-731	Hosea 755-723
	Pekahiah 742-740	Ahaz 743-715	
Shalmaneser V 727-722	Pekah 752-732		Isaiah 739-680
Sargon III 722-705	Hoshea 732-722	Hezekiah 728-686	Micah 735-690
Sennacherib 705-681			
		Manasseh 697-642	Nahum 650-640
		Amon 642-640	
Babylon Kings			
Nabopolassar 626-605		Josiah 640-609	Zephaniah 630-612
		Jehoahaz 609	Jeremiah 627-585
Nebuchadnezzar 605-562		Jehoiakim 609-597	Habakkuk 608-605
Evil-Merodach 562-560		Jehoiachin 597	Daniel 605-535
Neriglissar 560-556		Zedekiah 597-586	Ezekiel 597-550
Labashi-Marduk 556	Persia Kings		Obadiah? c. 585?
Nabonidus 556-539 & Belshazzar	Cyrus 550-530	Zerubbabel 538-?	
	Cambyes 530-522		
	Smerdis 522		Haggai 520
	Darius 522-486		Zechariah 520-500
	Xerxes 486-465	Ezra 458-?	
	Artaxerxes 465-424	Nehemiah 445-?	Malachi 432-420

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