ZECHARIAH STUDY

"Don't be so heavily minded that you are earthly foolish; Don't be so earthly minded that you are heavenly foolish"

The covenant name of GOD, <u>"YAHWEH,"</u> appears 133 times in the 211 verses of Zechariah. YAHWEH of Hosts 53 x's- Lord of Heaven's Armies

At this time Persian armies ruled so we know that there will be a time when God steps in as the Commander of Israel's army.

Other books that use this Name of God-Isaiah, Haggai, Amos, Malachi, Jeremiah

- O The book tells Israel to build the second temple and prophesies a future temple ruled by the coming king Messiah.
- Zechariah is the most Messianic of all books, apocalyptic, and eschatological of all OT writings
- O Zechariah strongly alludes to the Trinitarian nature of God- Psalm 2
- O The NT quotes Zechariah 71 times.

Christ in Zechariah:

Messiah's Humanity 6:12 Messiah's Deity 12:8

Messiah's Crucifixion 12:10

The Passion of Messiah 9:9, 13:6-7

Messiah's Return 14:4

Messiah's Future reign 14:8-21

Messiah as the Rejected Shepherd 11:6-13

Messiah's Removal of Sin and the Restoration of Worship chapters 3-4

Messiah's Being Sold as a Shepherd 11:4-17

Messiah will build another temple, sit and rule there as king and serve as priest 6:9-15

Other references to Messiah

Zechariah: 2:8-11; 3:8-10; 4:9, 14; 6:9-15; 9:9-10; 11:13; 12:10; 13:6-7; 14

It is impossible to fix on any historical fulfillment of this prophecy of Israel's destruction by Zechariah. The details suit neither Maccabean nor Roman times; the attempt to define exactly the period and matter of its accomplishment has proved a failure. The literal interpretation *only* must be avoided and the whole prophecy must be taken to point towards the kingdom of God in its trial, development, and triumph. Jerusalem has been overthrown 29 times and none of them fit what is described in chapter 14.

Zechariah 14:4-5- It is what is referred to in the OT as a time of "Jacob's Trouble" or the "Tribulation"- Isaiah 30:5, Romans 8

"The Lord of Heaven's Armies" will go forth as a "Man of War" Ex. 15:3, Judges 14 Remember Zechariah's name means "God has not forgotten" or "God remembers" Numbers 21:14 "The Book of the Wars of The Lord"-

• Joshua 5:13 Joshua looked and saw a man with a sword in his hand.

Jesus is speaking as the Commander of the Lord of Heaven's Armies and Joshua would have recognized it because he was with Moses. Jesus broke many Laws of the Torah in Jericho. He was proving that He was Lord of Torah.

Revelation 19:11- White Horse "Faithful and True" or "The Word of God"

Zechariah 14:4- Mount of Olives "His feet will stand" points to physical appearing on a physical location, not spiritual. See Matthew 24 (Mt. Of Olives has a fault in it that could easily split)

Zechariah 14:5- The holy ones, saints

(See 1 Corinthians 15:23- Extremely important scripture "they who are with Christ at His coming, 1 Thess. 3:13 "When our Lord comes again with all His holy people" Don't confuse this with his second coming. They are clearly two separate events.

Zechariah 14:6- Parallel verses see Acts 2:16, 19, Isaiah 13:10; 24:23; Jeremiah 4:23, Ezekiel 32:7-8

Zechariah 14:9- Alludes to the "Shema" Oldest and most holy prayer in Hebrew that is recited at least two to three times per day and points Israel to what would become known as "The Trinity." Jesus quotes the Shema in Mark 12:28-34.

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.

You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates. Deut. 6:4 Part One- Deut. 11:13-21Part Two- Part Three- Numbers 15:37-41

Zechariah 14:11- Parallel Romans 8:18-25 future glory revealed and resurrection from this current state of sin under the curse. Revelation 21:5 "All things new," Revelation 22:3

Zechariah 14:12- Neutron Bomb- rots away flesh only- two countries have developed these bombs Russia & Israel- technology like this was not known at that time when it was written.

Zechariah 14:16- In the Millennial Reign Tabernacles must be celebrated.

Why celebrate the Festival of Shelters or Tabernacles?

Out of the seven feasts 3 point toward Christs first coming which has been fulfilled 1 feast refers to Pentecost (Shavuot)- which was fulfilled in the book of Acts with the church and 3 fall feasts point to Christ's Second Advent (coming) which have not been fulfilled yet. Only three feasts were mandatory- Passover, Pentecost, and Tabernacles (Isaiah 65/Rev 22)

FEASTS OF ISRAEL

Leviticus 23

Four Feasts of Nissan (April/May)-

1. Passover- Christs Death-

Exodus 12:13 & 1 Corinthians 5:7, John 1:29

2. Unleavened Bread- Burial-

Exodus 13:7 & Romans 6:4, 1 Corinthians 5:8

3. First Fruits- Resurrection-

Leviticus 23:10, 11 & 1 Corinthians 15:20-23, 12:27

4. Pentecost-

Leviticus 23:15-16 & Acts 2:1-4, 1 Corinthians 12:12-13

Three Feasts of Tishri (September/October)-

5. Trumpets- Gathering of Israel-

Leviticus 23:24 & Matthew 24:31, 1 Thess. 4:16, 1 Corinthians 15:52

6. Atonement- Time of Jacob's Trouble-

Leviticus 23:27 & Matthew 24:21, 23:39; Hebrews 9:11-12

7. Tabernacles- Kingdom of Messiah which will never pass away-Leviticus 23:34, Deut. 16:13-15 & Matthew 16:27, 24:30, 24:44, 24:27, 25:23,