

## **Zechariah's Night Visions**

Zechariah 1:7 – 6:15

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The prophet Zechariah had a series of visions during the night. He saw horsemen and chariots surveying the earth and announcing that all was at peace even in Babylon. Then the Lord spoke kind and comforting words, "I will have mercy on Jerusalem; my house will be rebuilt; I will comfort my people; and they will experience prosperity."

Zechariah saw four horns that were then scattered by four blacksmiths. He saw a woman in a basket being carried to Babylon by flying women. "The people of Israel and Judah rebelled against me and were exiled. Those who participated in their downfall will themselves be overthrown."

The prophet saw a man measuring Jerusalem and a scroll flying around the city punishing thieves and liars. "Jerusalem will be a city without walls. I will be a wall of fire around her, protecting the people of all nations who come to live in her, and they will be purified by my word."

Zechariah saw the High Priest, Jeshua, being stripped of filthy clothing, dressed in finery, and crowned with a silver and gold diadem embedded with a multi-faceted gem. And he saw two olive trees providing oil for a special golden lamp. "I have forgiven the sins of my people. Zerubbabel will become their ruler, and he will complete my Temple – not by might; not by power; but by my Spirit. Jeshua will oversee my Temple and will serve as a symbol to my people of the coming Messiah. But these things will only take place if Zerubbabel, Jeshua, and the people continue in faithfulness to me."