

Worksheet 1: "Zechariah's Visions – Vision 5:

7 Lamps and Two Olive Trees and Zerubbabel

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Fourth Vision: Zechariah 4:1-14

**Prophetic Symbols in the Vision:** 



Prophetic Symbol	Meaning
Golden Candlestick with Seven Lamps	This is the Heavenly Menorah – it is mentioned in Revelation 2 and 3 as the Seven Golden Lamps, which are the 7 Churches: Philadelphia, Smyrna, Laodicea, Ephesus, Thyatira, Pergamum, and Sardis (ESP, TSP, L). Of these 7, two are saved which are Philadelphia (the 144,000 – those who are translated without seeing death One of the two fish of <i>Dagim</i> ) and Smyrna (the martyrs the other fish of <i>Dagim</i> ).
2 Olive Trees	The two olive trees are the two witnesses and also the two candlesticks (representatives of Philadelphia and Smyrna) – Revelation 11:4. Olive trees are a prophetic symbol of Israel – saved people. The two olive three must be two saved people. Likely Moses and Elijah as these two appeared at the Mount of Transfiguration.
Zerubbabel	Zerubbabel represents Yahweh's people, who serve Him as priests and kings – in the Last Days. They have come out of Babylon and are whole-hearted for Yahweh. They call others to Righteousness and prepare the Way for the Return of Messiah!

What is the Setting for Zechariah's fifth Vision? (*Zech 4:1-3*) – Zechariah is seeing the Seven-branched candlestick with two olive trees (and parts for carrying olive oil)... This vision is seeing into the Heavenly Temple – the Holy Place.

- Hebrews 8:5 There is a Tabernacle in Heaven, which the earthly Sanctuary (Moses) was patterned after. The Heavenly Tabernacle must have a menorah, because we see in the earthly one... In Zechariah's vision, he is giving us a glimpse of the Heavenly Tabernacle's Menorah.
- Exodus 25:9 The instruments (includes furniture) of the earthly Tabernacle were patterned after the Heavenly Tabernacle "Furniture"... This would include the menorah, which means there is a Menorah – a 7 branched Candlestick in the Heavenly Tabernacle... This is what Zechariah is seeing in the 5<sup>th</sup> vision (Zechariah Chapter 4).

#### What does the 7-branched candlestick represent?

- Revelation 1:20 (Revelation 1:12-13), we see Messiah (Alpha and Omega) with the Heavenly Menorah (aka 7-branched candlestick)... Which represents the seven churches. Notably, just as the 12 tribes embody all of Israel (the saved), so also the 7 churches (7 candlesticks) embody all who profess Christ.
- Yahweh is the highest Authority, being Creator of all. And when He created His beings, He appointed an authority Structure within... So there are "dominions" (areas of authority and rulership). There are seven angels, unnamed, who were appointed to lead in the work being done for each of the seven churches. (The work is for Salvation, as these are Heavenly angels).

## Who are the 7 churches/candlesticks? And what are the sins/characteristics of each?

- Ephesus Revelation 2:1-7
  - Presentation of Messiah: Yahshua presents Himself to Ephesus as the great High Priest (since He is standing and ministering in the Holy Place of the Heavenly Sanctuary). Surely this church condition needs Yahshua's Ministry... Additionally, He is presented as being the highest Authority over the churches –

being the one who holds the seven angels (who have dominion and leadership in working with these churches) and the seven churches also.

- Good Qualities: they work (labor) for Salvation of the lost, they have patience (endurance) – to not faint means to not fall out of Truth when the trouble comes, they don't tolerate evil in the Body, they have spiritual discernment and can recognize the True Word of Yah from deception. This group hate the deeds of the "Nicolaitans", which Yahweh also hates. The teachings of the Nicolaitans are Gnosticism... Most of Christianity today is Gnostic.
- Sinful Problems: they have left their first love. This is the heart of the Shema – which is the heart of the Torah. "Love Yahweh your Elohim with all your heart, soul and mind." "Hear, O Israel, Yahweh our Yah is ONE (first, supreme, solely God)."
- Smyrna Revelation 2:8-11
  - Good Qualities: Yahweh knows their works "knowing" in Hebrew is a Marriage Covenant concept. "The tree of the knowledge of good and evil". This group is in the Marriage Covenant relationship with Yahweh. Yahweh sees (and is with them) in "tribulation". They are poor, in earth's eyes, but really they are rich.
  - Promises/Instructions: Yahweh tells this group to NOT fear the things they will suffer. Suffering is a given. Some will be cast into prison a trying of the faith (as gold is tried in the fire). This group will have tribulation "ten days"... connecting the meaning of TEN gives light on this for its spiritual meaning. Ten, in Hebrew is connected with Torah... Ten Commandments, Ten Divisions of the Law, it is the Hebrew letter *yod*, the hand, representing works... So the whole picture of ten is obedient works in keeping *Yahweh's* Law. The promise is to those who are faithful with every breath, they will be given a Crown of Life.
  - Source of Persecution: Synagogue of Satan (Church of the Accuser) say they are "Jews" (this has literal and spiritual

fulfillment)... The spiritual is those who claim to be partakers of the Covenant, and yet have the character of the kingdom of hell... They are the persecutors of Yahweh's End-time people... This group killed Messiah.



In the Mazzaroth, the two saved candlesticks are represented as fish, which are those who are "born of water," having been baptized and having professed Messiah. The fish constellation is called Dagim in Hebrew (Pisces). One fish is rising up in the heavens, representing Philadelphia – the saved who are translated without seeing death at the End of the World. The human representative for this group is Elijah

(who was translated without seeing death). The second fish is lying down in the heavens representing the church of Smyrna, who are martyred, passing through the grave, but saved. The band which binds both fish by the tails is representing persecution and suffering, which is caused for both candlesticks (fish) by the same entity: Cetus aka the Synagogue of Satan. Appropriately, this entity is a dragon-fish.

- Pergamum Revelation 2:12-17
  - Presentation of Messiah: Yahshua presents Himself to
     Pergamum as having a sharp Sword in His Mouth (representing His Word), which connects with the slaying of the "remnant" in Revelation 19:21.
    - **Rev 19:21** "And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which *sword* proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh."
  - Good Qualities: they dwell where satan's seat is (Jerusalem?... but the qualities of Pergamum are found throughout the professed Body of Messiah, not just believers in literal Jerusalem). They hold fast Yahweh's Name (Yahshua's Name), and have not denied the faith.
  - Sinful Problems: they have among them, those who hold the doctrines of Balaam. Balaam's doctrine includes sorcery.

Balaam tells Balak (Moabites) to seduce Israel, like a "unicorn" (re'eym) is caught. The Moabites, according to Jasher, (Jasher is a very old historical book, contemporary with Chronicles. It is referenced in the Bible, as a historical book, but it shouldn't be viewed as Scripture) set up tents to sell linen – this is what Israel wore... When the men went into the tents to buy the linen, they found seductresses... Many fell. So this is talking about "believers" falling away through fornication and seduction.

- They also have among them those who are of the Nicolaitans.
- Thyatira Revelation 2:18-29
  - Presentation of Messiah: Yahshua presents Himself to Thyatira as unveiled Divinity – He is fully God – Eyes like a flame of fire see and know all. There is no hiding sins or things from Him. He is mentioned as the "morning Star" – in other places this title is "the bright morning Star". The wicked are destroyed by the brightness of His Coming. This is a picture of Messiah which warns of Judgment, and not to "play with" Yah.
    - <u>Revelation 22:16</u> "I Yahshua have sent Mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I Am the root and the offspring of David, and the <u>bright and</u> <u>morning Star</u>."
    - <u>2 Thessalonian 2:8</u> "And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Sovereign shall consume with the Spirit of His Mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of His Coming."
  - Good Qualities: They have charity (love) and service for others and faith, and have patience. Their works are increasing as time passes.
    - "I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last to be more than the first."
  - Sinful Problems: they suffer (allow, don't remove or prevent) the spirit of Jezebel to teach and seduce. The spirit of Jezebel

can gain access to the soul temple through offering (*and us eating*) demonically cursed food... We are commanded not to fellowship with darkness (*fellowship involves eating*).

- Sardis Revelation 3:1-6
  - Presentation of Messiah: Yahshua presents Himself to Sardis as holding – having the Authority over – the angels of the seven churches (seven stars)... These angels have jurisdiction to do Heaven-Work in each of the seven Churches. This view of Messiah shows His Authority over the seven Churches. Also He is shown to this church as having the seven Spirits of Yahweh.
    - Isaiah 11:1-2 "And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: And the 1) Spirit of Yahweh shall rest upon Him, 2) the spirit of wisdom and 3) understanding, 4) the spirit of counsel 5) and might, 6) the spirit of knowledge and 7) of the fear of Yahweh."

The Seven Areas of Anointing	Representative Symbol of the Holy Spirit	Meaning
The Spirit of Yahweh	Wind/Breath	Enlivening and favoring – "the Divine Gift of Life"
The Spirit of Wisdom	Oil	Enlightening and changing –" to possess and teach Wisdom"
The Spirit of Understanding	Rain	Nurturing and softening – "to Distinguish or Mark with Truth"
The Spirit of Counsel	Dove	Gentling and quieting – "to Guide into Christlikeness and Prudence"
The Spirit of Might	Fire	Purifying and refining – "to possess Power, Victory & Strength"
The Spirit of Knowledge	Eye Salve	Discerning & making wise – "to Know by Seeing Spiritual Reality"
The Spirit of the Fear of Yahweh	Water	Cleansing and filling – "to Fear and Reverence Yahweh"

- Good Qualities: Yahweh says He knows their works. They are living and yet dead. They received the Truth and heard at the first... Truth and the whole-hearted pursuit of it, is our only protection (this is the dividing line between the saved and lost). Some of Sardis have the Righteous Robe of Yahshua as clothing and they will be among the overcomers.
- Sinful Problems: They aren't still hanging on to what they initially received and heard (Truth). They are not being watchmen... "Watchman! What of the night?" (Watchman, what time is it?) This means that Sardis is the spiritual condition of not knowing the timing of His Coming or discerning the Last Days. Yahshua's Coming will be to this group like a thief (thief in the night). This is not how it's supposed to be.
- Philadelphia Revelation 3:7-13 –

- Presentation of Messiah: Yahshua presents Himself to
  Philadelphia as the One Who is Holy and True. He is the
  possessor of the key of David (Messiah). He is the Door Who
  opens and no one can shut what He opens. And He shuts and
  no one can open what He has shut. The Door is a symbol of the
  entry point into Eternal Life "no man comes to the Father but
  by Me" Yahshua is the One who ultimately determines the
  Eternal Destiny of all... Those who have the open door are
  Sealed. Those who have the shut door are those who receive
  the Mark of the Beast. Though the Mark of the Beast and Seal
  of Yahweh are not mentioned by name, but their effect is
  being portrayed. This is a strong hint that the Philadelphia
  vision is for the Last Days.
- Good Qualities: Yahweh says He knows their works. They are saved, so those are works (by Biblical definition) which glorify Yahweh. "...men may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in Heaven." Although, they are a small company of faithful ones (against what appears to be overwhelming opposition everyone around them hates them and believes that this group are "stupid", "they are the cause of the plagues" society would be better off if this group were gone... that is the view...), they have not denied Yah's Name. They have kept His Word.
- Promises/Instructions: Yahweh tells this group that HE has set before them an open door, that no one can shut (which is especially comforting in the face of global hate/persecution)... This group is saved! The Synagogue of Satan is the persecutor of both Philadelphia and Smyrna... Smyrna are martyred by this group... Philadelphia are translated – but it doesn't mean that the Synagogue of Satan doesn't try to kill them... Yahweh says that the day will come (final Day of Atonement).
  - "Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold,

I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee."

- "Because thou hast kept the word of My Patience, <u>I also</u> <u>will keep thee from the hour of temptation</u>, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth."
- <u>**Revelation 3:11</u>** "Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown."</u>
- <u>Revelation 3:12</u> "Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the Temple of my God (permanently part of Yah's Temple which is a Spiritual Temple), and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the Name of my God (sealed in the Father's Name... this group is sealed), and the Name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem (Revelation refers to New Jerusalem as the Bride... Philadelphia is the 144,000 which is the Bride), which cometh down out of Heaven from my God: and I will write upon him My new Name."
- Laodicea Revelation 3:14-22
  - Presentation of Messiah: Yahshua presents Himself to Laodicea as the Amen... meaning: "the Truth, True, surely, firm, Trustworthy, faithful, and so be it". This view of Messiah shows that although this church is spiritually blind, Messiah is the One Who sees... In a blind state, we cannot trust our own perceptions... We need to rely on what is trustworthy – not us... Yahshua also presents Himself as the Creator – the Author (or Beginner) of all Creation – which includes the people in this church.
  - Good Qualities: None
  - Sinful Traits: Yahweh says He knows their works. Narcissism is what they call it today... when full blown, the person thinks highly of himself/herself when in actuality it's an alternate reality. (It is characterized by pride, self-deception, self-love to the point of godship it's also manipulative, deceiving of

others, demanding "respect" and honor to self.) They believe they are "rich" and increased with goods (translation: "I already have everything I need to be saved"... when something from Scripture is presented, this is the response: "is that a salvational issue?" "We are the remnant".) They are spiritually "lukewarm"... which disgusts Yahweh. He actually says it would be better to be spiritually cold, at least then, they'd know they need help. We don't want to be average Christians. No man can serve two masters... Lukewarm is caused by mixing hot with cold... two masters. The true condition of this Laodicea is that they are wretched, miserable, poor, blind and naked.

<u>Counsel</u>: "I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and *that* the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous (*wholehearted for Yah*) therefore, and repent."

What happens to five of the candlesticks? In this sinful condition, they are not saved... The process of being saved (repentance) includes being brought into a different church: Philadelphia or Smyrna. The five candlesticks are removed.

### What two candlesticks remain? Only Philadelphia and Smyrna

### What people do these candlesticks represent?

- Philadelphia is the 144,000 who are called the Bride ("the Spirit and the Bride say come..."). This group gives the call that wakes the sleeping virgins. This group is translated without seeing death.
- Smyrna is the martyrs who are the sleeping virgins with oil that awake. This group is faithful until death. This is a group that is so massive in Revelation they're called the innumerable multitude.

#### And who are their representatives?

- Matthew 17:1-3
  - The two olive trees in Zechariah's vision represent two "sons" aka "anointed ones" who stand in the Heavenly Temple and who are

indwelt by the Holy Spirit, represented in the olive oil. Olive trees symbolize Israel (the saved).

 Moses and Elijah are appearing with Christ on the Mount of Transfiguration. Elijah was taken to Heaven in a fiery chariot as Scripture tells us in 2 Kings 2:11-14. So, we can see how Elijah could appear with Messiah on the Mount. Timing is just before Sukkot, which is why the disciples offer to build three Sukkahs (Hebrew).

Who are the two olive trees in Zechariah's vision? (Zechariah 4:1-3, 11-14; Revelation 11:1-4)

- The two olive trees are the Two Witnesses (Revelation 11:1-4)
  - Olive trees represent Israel, in the Bible Israel are the people who are saved. So... the two olive trees must be two saved people – who represent the two groups of Israel.
  - Jeremiah 11:16-17 Israel is called a "green olive tree" of fair and goodly fruit.
  - Romans 11:16-24 likens Israel to an olive tree with two branches, the wild (Gentile converts) and the natural (Jews) both branches are grafted into the Stalk, the Trunk, the Vine, which is Messiah.
  - Because the olive branches are a symbol of the Holy Spirit-filled, saved people of Yahweh; they are listed among the branches which should be present in the Sukkahs at Sukkot (Feast of Tabernacles) – Nehemiah 8:15
- The two olive trees stand in Heaven before Yahweh's Throne.
  - **Revelation 11:4** "These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth."
  - The two people representing Israel, who are the olive trees must be in Heaven.
  - The two candlesticks that are saved are Philadelphia (translated without seeing death) and Smyrna (first passes through the grave, but is saved)... The two witnesses represent these two candlesticks which is why they are connected in Revelation 11:4.

- The two witnesses are going to prophesy (which is teach Truth and call the people to repent, as seen in the work of John the Baptist) for 1260 Days (which is the length of time that the Beast Reigns in Stage 4).
- The two witnesses of which Elijah could be one he is in Heaven shut up heaven (sky) so that it does not rain for 1260 days... again...
  - Malachi 4:5 Yahweh says that HE will send us Elijah (who was taken to Heaven) before the Great and Dreadful Day (End of the World because the wicked will be burned up, which didn't happen at the first Advent).
  - Since Elijah was translated without seeing death He would be the candlestick representative for Philadelphia...
- The two witnesses of which Moses might be one turn the waters to blood...
  - One indication that it might actually be Moses who is the second witness, is that the plagues listed (water to blood) are iconic deeds of Moses.
  - Next point of consideration is that Moses was promised that he would lead Israel into the Promised Land... If Moses is one of the two witnesses, he would be leading all Israel into the ultimate Promised Land. The two witnesses die in the midst of the week, and are dead for 3.5 days... Then they are raised to Life and translated in front of everyone on the final Day of Atonement... The Beast Kingdom is broken at this precise moment in time.
  - Jude 1:9 Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee.
  - Moses died and was buried... what is the contention over his body?
    - Moses is to be taken to Heaven, to lead Israel into the ultimate Promised Land – Moses sinned (struck the Rock again – he, in emblem, crucified Christ afresh")
      - <u>1 Corinthians 10:4</u> And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.

- Striking the rock represented Yahshua dying for us... Yahshua would only die once for all (Hebrews 10:10).
  - Hebrews 6:4-6 "For *it is* impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put *him* to an open shame."
  - Yahshua's Death was necessary to cleanse of this.
     Satan could contend that Yahshua hadn't died yet, so this grievance could not be lifted... But Yah tells us that when He promises something, His Promises are so strong that we can claim it as fact, before the fact.
    - Isaiah 55:11 "So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it."
- Moses and Elijah appear with Messiah on the Mount of Transfiguration.
- The two witnesses strike the earth with plagues during their prophesy time.
- When the work of the two witnesses is complete, Yahweh will allow them to be killed (which they couldn't be before... Revelation 11:5; Revelation 11:7-8)... So, if human they have at least been alive for a couple thousand years, or perhaps they are able to die, even though immortal, because Yah is able to lay off immortality as He did in Messiah.
- The two witnesses will be killed in the wicked city of Jerusalem (which will, at that time, be the seat of the Beast).
- The two witnesses will be killed in Jerusalem in the middle of the week (Wednesday)... they are dead for 3.5 days... which causes Messiah to be

"cut off" again... We see this because there is a final fulfillment of the 490 Day Prophecy of Daniel 9... Cutting off Messiah in the past was His literal death... Messiah is the anointed One who brings Salvation... This cutting off is spiritual... To cut off Messiah Spiritually is to lose all possibility of Salvation. The two witnesses die on the Final Day of Atonement... The Day on which no one further can be saved forevermore... So Messiah is spiritually cut off because no one else can be saved.

### What do trees represent, in Bible Prophecy? (Judges 9:8-9)

- Trees represent people
- Olive trees represent holy Spirit-filled people
- The olive tree is a representative symbol for Israel (only Israel is saved)
- The Two Olive Trees = two people who are filled with the Spirit and saved (part of Israel)

# What are the characteristics of the Two Witness in Revelation 11? List them below:

- The two witnesses give their testimony in the Last Days in the final period of Judgment (measurement is going on) Revelation 11:1
- The two witnesses (the two olive trees) will be giving their testimony during the time when the Beast reigns in Jerusalem for the final 1260 days (Beast stage 4) – Revelation 11:2
- The final 1260 Day timeline ends on the Final Day of Atonement.
- The two witnesses prophesy (call people to repent warn of the future) for 1260 days.
- The two witnesses are the two olive trees (Zechariah's 5<sup>th</sup> Vision) this means the two witnesses come from HEAVEN... Because Zechariah tells us that the two olive trees are standing in Heaven before Yahweh's Throne – Revelation 11:4.
- The evil side will try to kill the two witnesses and be unable to do so in fact the would-be-killers will die in whatever way they tried to kill the witnesses... The enemies also die of fire proceeding from their mouths Revelation 11:5.
- The two witnesses will cause the plagues they will strike the water and turn it to blood, and cause there to be no rain and other plagues

(Leviticus 26 lists the other plagues – not the seven Last Plagues) – Revelation 11:6.

At the end of their time of testimony (1260 days), the beast will succeed in killing them. They will die in the most wicked city of earth (likened to Sodom and Egypt). This city is Jerusalem – because it says "where also our Adonai died" – Revelation 11:7-8. In our studies of the Abomination of Desolation, we know that it will be set up in Jerusalem – which makes it the seat of the Beast and the unholy Temple... So it is the seat of government for hell.

Daniel 9:24-27 "Messiah is cut off in the midst of the week" – the "Covenant is Confirmed for one week"...

The Final Week of Confirming the Covenant						
Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4 Midst of the Week	Day 5	Day 6	Day 7 – Final Day of Atone- ment?
			The two witnesses are slain -			The beast kingdom breaks <b>The two</b> witnesses are trans- lated All decep- tion is over. This is the day when the SOS worships at the feet of Philadelphia. Probation is closed – Judgment for every

			human is
			permanently
			set
			The 7 Last
			Plagues

- The kingdom of hell celebrate over the death of the Two Witnesses. They don't bury them. Hell parties... for 3.5 days.
- The Two Witnesses will be resurrected on the third day. Yahweh's Voice calls them to Heaven and they are taken quite dramatically in front of everyone. These are the representatives of Philadelphia and Smyrna.
- The Jubilee begins the land is returned to its original Owner and the Stone Kingdom of Daniel 2 (which is *Yahweh's* people) smashes the image and it is completely fallen *Yahweh* rules!
- This is the *Taleh* constellation moment when everyone worships Yahweh (willingly or unwillingly).

# It is necessary to establish a matter through the testimony of at least two witnesses. This requirement was established by *Yahweh* Himself. (Deut. 17:6; Matthew 18:15-16).

"In Yahweh's just Kingdom, final judgment cannot be rendered without the work of two witnesses. As only two of the ten spies were faithful, Scripture shows that two witnesses were sent unto Jericho before Yahweh rendered judgment against that great city.

In parallel, there will be Two Witnesses sent unto Babylon as well, foretold in Revelation Chapter Eleven. It will only be after the Two Witnesses have given their testimony that ultimate Babylon will fall and the reign of the Beast will cease. Even at the End of the World, Judgment will not be rendered until the Testimony of the Two Witnesses has been heard.

Who was Zerubbabel (Zechariah 4:6-10)?

- Zerubbabel led Israel back to Jerusalem after having been in Babylonian captivity (Ezra 2).
  - In the Last Days Yahweh's people (Israel) will be coming out of spiritual Babylon (Revelation 18:1-4) and will be restored to original

Israel. So, Zerubbabel in the Last Days represents those who lead in this Work.

- Nehemiah was part of Zerubbabel's group (Ezra 2:2).
  - Nehemiah 2:17 "...Ye see the distress that we are in, how <u>Jerusalem</u> <u>lieth waste</u>, and the <u>gates</u> thereof are <u>burned with fire</u>: come, and let us build up the wall of Jerusalem, that we be no more <u>a</u> <u>reproach</u>." Jerusalem is, according to Nehemiah:
  - o a shame
  - o blasphemous
  - $\circ$  exposed
  - o a disgrace
    - This physical condition of the city of Jerusalem is a shadow of the spiritual condition of the professed Church in the Last Days... This is the Laodicean condition.
    - Revelation 3:17 "Because thou sayest, 'I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing'; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked."

Condition of Jerusalem (Nehemiah 2:17)	Condition of Laodicea (Revelation 3:17)
- A shame	- Wretched / miserable
- Blasphemous	<ul> <li>They need nothing</li> </ul>
- Exposed	- Naked
<ul> <li>A disgrace</li> </ul>	- Poor & blind

- Nehemiah says that Jerusalem has burned gates ("the gates are burned with fire").
- A city's gates were intended as protection. Gates protect what is within and keep evil out.
- If there are no gates in a city, it has no protection.
- Proverbs 25:28 compares the endangered human soul to a city without walls: "He that hath no rule (Yahweh's Torah) over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down and without walls."

- Malachi 2:9 "Therefore have I also made you contemptible and base before all the people, according as ye have not kept My ways, but have been partial in the Law."
- NO GATE NO PROTECTION FROM EVIL
- BROKEN WALL UNABLE TO RULE OUR SPIRITS (NO TORAH-PROTECTION IN THE LIFE).
- Zerubbabel was the remnant of the priesthood (Ezra 3:8).
  - The 144,000 in the Last Days are called both the "remnant" and "kings and priests"... This is the Zerubbabel people in the Last Days.
- He re-established the holy priesthood (worship of Yahweh) (Ezra 3:8).
  - Yahweh's End-time people call others into the true worship of Yahweh and restore the priesthood – every saved person is being Called into Yahweh's Service, in the Priesthood.
- He rebuilt the destroyed Temple of Yahweh (Ezra 4:2).
  - The Temple is a spiritual one it is the Body of Christ (the saved people of Yahweh). The 144,000 and converts are building the Spiritual House of Yahweh.
- Zerubbabel was such a leader unto righteousness, that his lifetime was called "the days of Zerubbabel" – (Neh. 12:47)
  - The End-time people of Yahweh will be restoring Righteousness the Old Paths. They will call them the Holy People ("the days of Zerubbabel").
- <u>Zerubbabel</u> means H2216 z<sup>e</sup>rûbbâbel "descended of (that is, from) Babylon, that is, born there" The root of Zerubbabel is zarab (H2215) – (meaning) "to flow away because of heat".

How does the ministry of Zerubbabel apply in the Last Days? (Revelation 18:4) – In the Last Days, Yahweh's people are called out of Babylon – the false religion and system which involves polluted doctrine (wine of Babylon) and it's demonic, and lawlessness.

What does heat represent? (Revelation 3:15-17) – Heat is spiritual fervor, to be wholehearted for Yahweh, which Laodicea is not. Cold is to be spiritually dead – out in the world. And lukewarm is to be just warm enough to be complacent, but too cold to be wholehearted for Yahweh.

**Zerubbabel represents God's people who are in Babylon at the start.** Notably, in Revelation 18:1-4, all of Yahweh's people are being called out of Babylon – so these called out people (those who heed the Call to come out) are spiritually on the Zerubbabel team in the Last Days.

Zerubbabel and his "team" are whole-hearted for Yahweh. They are spiritually "hot", which is how they are able to flow out of (by heat) Babylon and into Zion.

- Zechariah 4:7 "Who art thou, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel thou shalt become a plain: and he shall bring forth the headstone thereof with shoutings, crying, Grace, grace unto it."

### Decoding the Prophetic Symbols of Zechariah 4:7:

- What do mountains represent in Bible prophecy?
  - <u>Psalm 48:1</u> Yahweh is enthroned on His holy Mountain a Mountain is the Seat for Rulership – the Power
  - Isaiah 2:2 "And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the Mountain of Yahweh's House (His Temple) shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it." So, Yahweh is worshipped in His Temple (His Mountain), and there are other "mountains" which are other places of worship for the worship of others. A Mountain is a power that is a religious one having to do with worship. The Temple of Yah His Body are likened in prophecy to a Mountain.
  - In Scripture, worship is being done in "the high places".
  - Zechariah 4:7 "Who art thou, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel thou shalt become a plain" – The mountain referenced represents false worship – something other than Yahweh being worshipped – something other than His Temple... Zerubbabel is bringing this exalted thing down – this false worship system down (making it into a plain)."
  - <u>Amos 4:1</u> refers to a false system of leadership which is oppressive to the poor, crushes the needy...
  - Daniel 2:34 and 45 Mount Zion is the Stone Kingdom, cut out of the Mountain without hands, which Yahweh uses to break the Image of

Daniel 2 (Babylon falls in the end of the world). The Stone Kingdom becomes a mighty Mountain that fills the whole earth... This process of bringing down the image is the work of Zerubbabel causing the Mountain (that which was falsely exalted – seated in a position of power/worship) to become a plain (brought down).

- Jeremiah 51:19-20 Israel is the "battle ax" that Yahweh uses to bring down the false system of the world and idolatry. This is another prophetic symbol representing Zerubbabel bringing down the false mountain.
- What does "great mountain" mean in Zech 4:7? Great is "insolent" (disrespect of the true Leadership – Yahweh) and its root is "to twist" (this mountain twists the truth – "wine of Babylon"). The Little Horn "became great"... This is an insolent and rebellious power – ultimately the antichrist, the beast – who exalts itself against Yahweh, and is a false leadership/rulership.
- What does it mean to "become" a "plain" in Zech. 4:7? It is to "level" the mountain, as in bring it down to flat.
  - What other leader does this work in the Last Days? (Isaiah 40:3-5)

**Isaiah 40:3-5** "The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of Yahweh, make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every <u>valley</u> shall be <u>exalted</u>, and <u>every mountain and hill shall</u> <u>be made low</u>: and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain: And the glory of Yahweh shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see *it* together: for the mouth of Yahweh hath spoken it."

- How does this parallel Zerubbabel's work? Look up the following key words in Isaiah 40:3-5 to make this connection:
  - <u>Valley</u> "a split breach" this same term is used for *Bethulah* (the virgin)... She is, according to Jeremiah, afflicted with a grievous "breach"... which is a separation from Yahweh because of sin.
    - <u>Psalm 106:23</u> "Therefore he said that he would destroy them, had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, to turn away his wrath, lest he should destroy them."

- <u>Exalted</u> "magnified (to point out sin, define it to focus on Torah), yielded (a call to repentance resulting in transformed hearts), lifted away, forgiven, pardoned (the work of Intercession which calls the people to the Saviour for forgiveness)"
- Zerubbabel's work in "exalting the valley" is to exonerate and magnify the Law, which exposes sin and convicts of Righteousness. It is to call the people to repentance and into restoration with Heaven.
  - Mountain that which had been exalted and promoted (the false system of worship)
  - Low "humiliated, abased, humbled"
- Zechariah 4:7-10, "he shall bring forth the headstone..."
  - What is the headstone? The headstone is from two Hebrew words which mean "the chief, the first Man, the Ruler, the Captain"... This is Christ, who is called the Chief Cornerstone... To bring forth the headstone is to be the forerunner (Elijah) and to prepare the way for the arrival of...
  - What are the "shoutings"? "Lift up your voice like a trumpet"... Holy boldness, and the "loud cry" are terms used for giving the Gospel Message. These are the "shoutings"... And in Hebrew the sound of the trumpet is likened to the voice shouting... this comes out in the Scriptures regarding Yom *Terruah* (Feast of Trumpets).
  - What is the "Grace?" "grace" is "graciousness, that is, subjectively (kindness, favor) or objectively (beauty)" (the root implies prayer, beseeching Yahweh for this favor upon His people).
- In Zechariah 4:7-10, what does it mean when it says, "the hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this House... His hands also shall finish it."
- <u>Hands</u> a hand, the open one indicating power, means, direction..." this indicates the work and ministry of Zerubbabel.
- <u>Foundation</u> "to set (literally or figuratively); intensively to found" to set is to establish something, or set it up... And to found is to start (like founding fathers) something or initiate it.
- <u>House</u> The House of Yahweh is His holy Temple

 Zerubbabel was the one, Called of Yahweh, who established the House (Temple of Yahweh) at the beginning... His work and ministry will finish the Building of Yahweh's Temple – in the Last Days.

# This vision is a call to join the Zerubbabel team! This is Yahweh's Work in the Last Days.

### What are the characteristics of the Zerubbabel group?

- Like Zerubbabel, Yahweh's End-time people start out part of Babylon 2 Corinthians 6:17, Revelation 18:4
- Like Zerubbabel, they are "on FIRE" for God Revelation 3:15; James 4:8
- Like Zerubbabel, they are the Temple 2 Corinthians 6:16
- Like Zerubbabel, they re-establish the priesthood Psalm 4:3-5; 2 Chronicles 29:5
  - Priests were to direct worship lead others into worship of Yahweh
  - Priests were intercessors helping others be connected with Heaven and made clean
  - Priests were set apart for holy use they didn't see themselves as having an ordinary (earth-centered) life... They were full-time for Yahweh.
  - They discerned/diagnosed disease (leprosy is a physical condition that has a spiritual meaning... Leprosy causes the person to lose their sense of touch/pain – which parallels a loss of conscience... the farther into sin we fall, the less it feels sinful, leprosy is contagious – sin is contagious, if we hang out with worldly people (in a fellowship way) we are highly likely to become more worldly.)
  - Priests were to remove filthiness ridding the home/life/jurisdiction of idolatry and wickedness.
  - Priests wore holy garments we are to be clothed in the Righteousness of Messiah. Priests were to reflect and represent Yahweh to the people.
- They lead the people out of captivity/bondage (this is done through Spiritual Warfare) Luke 4:18
- They bring on a new era of Righteousness and Dedication to Yahweh 2 Corinthians 10:3-5

#### How will the Zerubbabel work be done in the Last Days? Zechariah 4:6

• Zechariah 4:6 "Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This *is* the Word of Yahweh unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith Yahweh of hosts."