

The Return from Captivity

Section 08: Zechariah 7-9

Wednesday, September 6, 2017

Read: Ezra 5:1-5, Zechariah 7-9

Intro: After laying the foundation for the temple, God's people encounter opposition, become discouraged and frightened and stopped working on the Temple. Sixteen years pass while the work is idle until God sends Haggai and Zechariah to get the work started again. Haggai uses a "consider your ways" message. Zechariah uses visions and messages of exhortation, consolation and encouragement.

Hearts Like Flint (Zechariah 7)

- What was the question the men asked of the priests and prophets? (7:1-3) _____

- What was God's answer? (7:4-5) _____

- What were God's further instructions? (7:6-14) _____

The Coming Peace and Prosperity of Zion (Zechariah 8)

- What are God's plans for Jerusalem and His people? (8:1-13) _____

 - Explain the idea of "unrelenting good"? (8:14-15) _____

 - How does God tell His people to handle fear? (8:15-17) _____

- Lesson for us today? _____
- Why will "peoples come"? (8:18-23) _____

Prophecies Against Neighboring Nations (Zechariah 9:1-10)

- What was God going to do to the nations surrounding Jerusalem? _____

- Does Zechariah 9:9 sound familiar? _____

Deliverance of Judah and Ephraim (Zechariah 9:11-17)

- What will God do for His people? _____

How would all of Zechariah 9 be an encouragement to build the temple? _____
