



# Logos Class

## Book of *Zechariah* *Ch 14 & wrap up*

Class for May 3, 2026

Rooms 123/124 Adult Ed Building

# NOTE:

- Since I did not have my slides last week, I will use several to make points I want to re-emphasize
- Then we will finish Zechariah

# Class Schedule for the next few weeks

- ✓ *Apr 5, 2026. - Resurrection Sunday*
- ✓ *Apr 12, 2026. - Zechariah Ch 10 & 11 A*
- ✓ *Apr 19, 2026. - Zechariah Ch 11B & 12 A*
- ✓ *Apr 26, 2026 - Zechariah Ch 12B & 13*
- ✓ *May 3, 2026. - Zechariah Ch 14 /Review*
- *May 10, 2026. - What Baptists Believe Part 1*
- *May 17, 2026 - What Baptists Believe Part 2*
- *May 24, and 31 – Dr Scott Downing*

# Quick Update ...ICYMI

## *Middle East*

- *Cease-fire off and on with Iran, Iran's economy a shambles*
- *The Strait of Hormuz is still a flash point, with the US Navy controlling it*
- *Posturing by Turkey, Russia, Iran, and China to become more aligned*

## *US/World*

- *Gov. Shutdown resolved and re-opened*
- *Major battles between Democrats and Republicans: war, voting districts, Voter ID*
- *Anti-Israel sentiment growing in the US population (Pew research poll)*
- *The Russia-Ukraine war is going nowhere towards an end*

*Earthquakes, Floods, volcanic eruptions, famine, and disease. Wars and rumors of wars.*

- ***Many signs of the Tribulation are appearing with more frequency***
  - *Natural Disasters, Isolation of Israel, Antisemitism, Apostasy in the church, **Peace in Israel to presage the Antichrist**, Scoffers of Prophecy, and deniers of God. Time of Noah and time of Lot prophecies. Continuation of the Aliyah to Israel*
  - ***Substantial European acts to move away from Western values and embrace one-world ideas.***
  - *Remember, Israel is God's timepiece for the End of Time. Israel is the hour hand, Jerusalem is the minute hand, and the Temple Mount is the second hand*

# Zechariah – A timeline- more detail



- You can see the cluster of God’s Prophets that came after the return to Jerusalem and before. Many of the messages were targeted to Judah (SK), and earlier to Israel (NK)
- You can also see where Malachi, the last prophet to speak before the 400+ years of silence, was in the timeline
- God always sent one or more prophets in advance of judgment to warn the Jews and call them to return to Him.
- Ezra and Nehemiah are placed in their proper time slot
- ❖ We are coming to Zechariah’s future prophecies of Christ’s Second Coming.

# Zechariah - The Outline

## 1. A Call to Repentance (1:1-6)

## 2. The Eight Visions (1:7-6:15)

- a. Vision of the Horses (1:7-17)
- b. Vision of the Horns (1:18-21)
- c. Vision of the Measuring Line (2:1-13)
- d. Vision of Joshua the High Priest (3:1-10)
- e. Vision of the Lampstand and Olive Trees (4:1-14)
- f. Vision of the Flying Scroll (5:1-4)
- g. Vision of the Woman in a Basket (5:5-11)
- h. Vision of the Four Chariots (6:1-8)
- i. The Crown and the Temple (6:9-15)

## 3. Fasting and Restoration (7:1-8:23)


- a. Question about Weeping and Fasting (7:1-3)
- b. Four Answers (7:4-8:23)
  - i. Incorrect Motives (7:4-7)
  - ii. True Justice (7:8-14)
  - iii. Restoration of Jerusalem (8:1-17)
  - iv. Future Feasts for All Nations (8:18-23)

## 4. Prophecies of the Messiah (9:1-14:21)

### a. The Messiah's First Coming (9:1-11:17)

- i. Judgment against Israel's Enemies (9:1-8)
- ii. Zion's Coming King (9:9-10:12)
- iii. The Rejected Shepherd (11:1-9)
- iv. Thirty Pieces of Silver (11:10-17)

### b. The Messiah's Second Coming (12:1-14:21)

- i. Jerusalem Will Be Attacked (12:1-9)
- ii. Mourning the One They Pierced (12:10-14)
- iii. An End to Idolatry (13:1-9)
- iv. The Destroyers of Jerusalem Destroyed (14:1-15) 

## 5. All Nations Will Worship the King (14:16-21)

# Zechariah Ch 12:6-9...*On that Day*

<sup>6</sup> *“On that day I will make the clans of Judah like a **blazing pot** in the midst of wood, like a flaming torch among sheaves. And they shall devour to **the right** and to **the left** all the surrounding peoples, while Jerusalem shall again be inhabited in its place, in Jerusalem.*



# Day of the Lord- A Quick Primer

*Appears across both Old and New Testaments, concentrated primarily in the prophetic books and New Testament epistles.*

**OT books** containing this phrase include:

- **Joel**—multiple references emphasizing the day's nearness and awesome character (Joel 1:15; 2:1, 11; 3:14)
- **Amos**—depicting the day as darkness rather than light, contrary to popular expectation (Amos 5:18, 20)
- **Obadiah**—announcing the day's nearness upon all nations (Obad 15)
- **Zephaniah**—describing it as great and hastening fast (Zeph 1:14)
- **Malachi**—referencing it as great and awesome, preceded by Elijah (Mal 4:5)
- **Zechariah**—depicting a day when the Lord comes and spoil is divided (Zech 14:1)

**New Testament books** containing this phrase include:

- **Acts**—quoting Joel's prophecy about cosmic signs preceding the day (Acts 2:20)
- **1 Thessalonians**—describing the day coming unexpectedly like a thief (1 Thess 5:2)
- **2 Thessalonians**—addressing false claims that the day has already arrived (2 Thess 2:2)
- **1 Corinthians**—mentioning salvation in the day of the Lord (1 Cor 5:5)
- **Philippians**—referencing the day of Jesus Christ or day of Christ multiple times (Cor 1:14; Phil 1:6, 10; 2:16)
- **2 Peter**—describing the day coming like a thief with cosmic unraveling (2 Pet 3:10)



The phrase dominates the minor prophets, reflecting their end-times focus, while New Testament usage emphasizes the day's **connection to Christ's return and final judgment.**

# Zechariah Ch 13:1-3

**13** *“On 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.*

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*This is symbolically powerful. When Christ returns, He will provide a means for ritual cleansing of the Jews, for preparation to meet Him*

**Q:** *What kind of fountain do you see here in your mind?*

*Idolatry Cut Off, uncleanness removed, no need for prophets*

**2** *“And on that day, declares the Lord of hosts, I will cut off the names of the idols from the land, so that they shall be remembered no more. **And also, I will remove from the land the prophets and the spirit of uncleanness.***

**3** *And if anyone again prophesies, his father and mother who bore him will say to him, ‘**You shall not live, for you speak lies in the name of the Lord.**’ And his father and mother who bore him shall pierce him through when he prophesies.*



# Zechariah Ch 13:4-6 The Demise of False Prophets

*<sup>4</sup> “On that day, every prophet will be ashamed of his vision when he prophesies. He will not put on a hairy cloak in order to deceive,*

*<sup>5</sup> but he will say, ‘I am no prophet, I am a worker of the soil, for a man sold me in my youth.’ (has had the land since his youth)*

*<sup>6</sup> And if one asks him, ‘What are these wounds on your back?’ he will say, ‘The wounds I received in the house of my friends.’*

- We see here the profound shame and humiliation experienced by those who had engaged in **false prophecy**, as they try to erase all connections to their fraudulent past. (what the guilty do today)
- They will deny their prophetic status out of fear of execution and will refuse to wear the coarse hair garment—the traditional clothing associated with prophets. Instead of claiming prophetic authority, they will claim to have been farmers since their youth.
- The most revealing detail concerns their wounds. These wounds likely resulted from self-infliction—a practice ecstatic prophets engaged in to gain divine attention and blessing from the gods. When questioned about the marks on their bodies, the false prophets will claim they received them from friends in casual scuffles, hoping this explanation will prevent discovery and execution.
- While these false prophets existed in Israel’s past, Zechariah sees a future purification, and these deceptions will be impossible, and false prophets will be unable to hide their shame.

# Zechariah Ch 13:7-9 The Shepherd Struck

<sup>7</sup> *“Awake, O sword, against my shepherd,  
against the man who stands next to me,”  
declares the Lord of hosts.*

*“Strike the shepherd, and the sheep will be scattered;  
I will turn my hand against the little ones.*

<sup>8</sup> *In the whole land, declares the Lord,  
two thirds shall be cut off and perish,  
and one third shall be left alive.*

<sup>9</sup> *And I will put this third into the fire,  
and refine them as one refines silver,  
and test them as gold is tested.*

*They will call upon my name,  
and I will answer them.*

*I will say, ‘They are my people’;  
and they will say, ‘The Lord is my God.’”*

# Zechariah Ch 12-13 How can we summarize them?

- *Zechariah 12–13 comprises several independent announcements unified by the theme of the **Day of the Lord**.*
- *These chapters begin with a great siege against Jerusalem, where the city is depicted as a cup of trembling, and an immovable rock—those who besiege it will regret doing so.*
- *Judah's clans become God's instruments of war, and Judah achieves victory first, followed by the protection of the house of David and Jerusalem.*
- *Then God pours out compassion on Jerusalem's inhabitants, triggering a period of mourning for one described as "**pierced**," though the text doesn't specify who. John's Gospel interprets this as a prophecy of Jesus's death.*
- *Chapter 13 announces **a cleansing fountain** for David's house and Jerusalem, and promises that idols, prophets, and spiritual impurity will be removed from the land. The judgment against the shepherd and sheep is cleansing in nature: two-thirds of the people perish, while one-third is refined like silver and gold.*
- *These are understood to be judgments of God during the Tribulation (Jacob's trouble)*

# Zech 14:1-5. The Lord Comes and Reigns

*14 A day of the Lord is coming, Jerusalem, when your possessions will be plundered and divided up within your very walls.*

*2 **I will gather** all the nations to Jerusalem to fight against it; the city will be captured, the houses ransacked, and the women raped. Half of the city will go into exile, but the rest of the people will not be taken from the city.*

*3 Then the Lord will go out and **fight against those nations**, as he fights on a day of battle.*

*4 On that day his feet will stand on the **Mount of Olives**, east of Jerusalem, and the Mount of Olives will be split in two **from east to west**, forming a great valley, with half of the mountain moving north and half moving south.*

*5 You will flee by my mountain valley, for it will extend to Azel. You will flee as you fled from the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah. Then the Lord my God will come, and **all the holy ones with him.***

# Zechariah- Ch 14 - A Visual

## ZECHARIAH 14:4-5

### THE MOUNT OF OLIVES SPLITS AND THE PEOPLE FLEE TO AZEL

“On that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, which faces Jerusalem on the east. And the Mount of Olives shall be split in two from east to west, making a very large valley; half of the mountain shall move toward the north and half of it toward the south. You shall flee to the valley of My mountains, for the valley of the mountains shall reach to Azel...”  
*Zechariah 14:4-5*

STARTING POINT:  
From the eastern side of Jerusalem  
(near the Temple Mount)

#### THE ESCAPE ROUTE

- 1 Mount of Olives splits east-west.
- ↓
- 2 A large valley is formed.
- ↓
- 3 The people in Jerusalem flee through the new valley to escape.
- ↓
- 4 The valley extends to Azel (Azel), providing a way of escape into the wilderness.

1 The Mount of Olives splits in two from east to west.

Half moves NORTH

2 A very large valley is formed between the two halves.

Half moves SOUTH

3 The people flee through this new valley.

4 The valley of the mountains extends to Azel.

#### ABOUT AZEL (AZAL)

The exact location is not definitively known, but many scholars identify it with the area of Wadi Yasul (Nahal Etzel), southeast of the Mount of Olives—just a few kilometers from Jerusalem.

#### PETRA

Approx. 110 km (68 miles) southeast of Azel

- *Jesus lands down on Mount of Olives*
- *Mountain splits from East to West*
- *Mountain looks north and south*
- *Valley appears*
- *Jews escape through valley*
- *Escape to Azel (thought to be Petra)*

## Acts 1:6-11 The Ascension

*6 So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?”*

*7 He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority.*

*8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”*

*9 And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.*

*10 And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes,*

*11 and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”*

# Pictures from the Mt of Olives toward Jerusalem

## VIEW FROM THE MOUNT OF OLIVES TOWARD THE GOLDEN GATE LOOKING WEST TOWARD THE TEMPLE MOUNT

*“On that day His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives, which faces Jerusalem on the east.”*  
**Zechariah 14:4**



TEMPLE MOUNT

THE GOLDEN GATE  
(EASTERN GATE)  
SEALED SHUT

This is the only gate  
in the eastern wall of  
the Temple Mount.

2 KIDRON VALLEY

ORIENTATION MAP

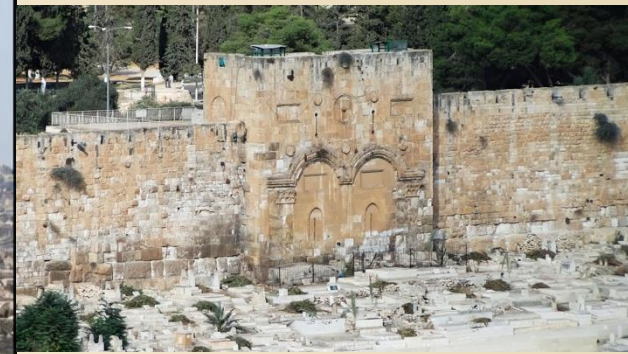
3 MOUNT OF OLIVES  
JEWISH CEMETERY  
(Facing the Golden Gate)

### BIBLICAL SIGNIFICANCE

- **Ezekiel 44:1-2** – “The gate that faces east shall be shut; it shall not be opened... because the Lord, the God of Israel, has entered by it.”
- **Zechariah 14** – The Lord will return to the Mount of Olives and all the nations will see His coming.
- **Matthew 24-25** – Jesus sat on the Mount of Olives and taught while overlooking Jerusalem.

### WHAT YOU SEE

- 1 The Golden Gate (Eastern Gate) – sealed since the Ottoman period (16th century).
- 2 The Kidron Valley – the valley between the Mount of Olives and the Temple Mount.
- 3 Mount of Olives Jewish Cemetery – one of the oldest cemeteries in the world, facing the gate.



*The Gate for the Prince*  
**Eze 44:1-3** Then he brought me back to the outer gate of the sanctuary, which faces east. And it was shut. <sup>2</sup>And the Lord said to me, “This gate shall remain shut; it shall not be opened, and no one shall enter by it, for the Lord, the God of Israel, has entered by it. Therefore, it shall remain shut. <sup>3</sup>Only the prince may sit in it to eat bread before the Lord. He shall enter by way of the vestibule of the gate and shall go out by the same way.”

**A PROPHETIC VIEW** – The same hillside where Jesus stood will see the King return.  
*“His feet will stand on the Mount of Olives...” Zechariah 14:4*

# Zechariah- Ch 14:6-11

***6** On that day there shall be no light, cold, or frost.*

***7** And there shall be a unique day, which is known(only) to the Lord, neither day nor night, but at evening time there shall be light.*

***8** On 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.*

***9** And the Lord will be king over all the earth. On that day the Lord will be one and his name one.*

***10** The whole land shall be turned into a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem. But Jerusalem shall remain aloft on its site from the Gate of Benjamin to the place of the former gate, to the Corner Gate, and from the Tower of Hananel to the king's winepresses.*

***11** And it shall be inhabited, for there shall never again be a decree of utter destruction. Jerusalem shall dwell in security.*

# Zechariah- Ch 14:6-11 *Study Assistant – Logos +*

The passage describes a **day without normal light, cold, or frost**, where **evening brings illumination in a unique day that transcends the usual day-night cycle**. Living water flows from Jerusalem toward both the Dead and Mediterranean seas, maintaining consistent conditions year-round. **The time is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming, and the establishment of Jesus' rule**

## ❖ **God's presence reorders and renews creation<sup>1</sup>**,

- fundamentally transforming the natural world. The polarities of the original creation—day and night, cold and heat, summer and winter—cease to exist.<sup>1</sup>
- While darkness is associated with death throughout Scripture, light triumphs in this new order.<sup>1</sup>
- Rather than eliminating celestial bodies, God's brilliance eclipses the sun and moon, rendering them redundant beside divine radiance.<sup>1</sup>

## ❖ Geographically, **the surrounding terrain flattens** from Geba to Rimmon, while **Jerusalem itself rises and remains elevated on its site**. This transformation addresses Jerusalem's harsh climate and uneven landscape—removing agricultural risks from damaging frosts, limited growing seasons, and insufficient rainfall, enabling incredible harvests.<sup>1</sup> **The city experiences permanent security, never facing destruction again.**

The passage culminates in declarations of the LORD's universal kingship and singular identity. These radical landscape changes function as consequences of the divine battle described in the previous section, **signifying the complete restoration of creation under God's sovereignty.**<sup>2</sup>

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# Zechariah Ch 14:12-15 A Plague from the Lord

***12 And this shall be the plague with which the Lord will strike all the peoples that wage war against Jerusalem: their flesh will rot while they are still standing on their feet, their eyes will rot in their sockets, and their tongues will rot in their mouths.***

***13 And on that day a great panic from the Lord shall fall on them, so that each will seize the hand of another, and the hand of the one will be raised against the hand of the other.***

***14 Even Judah will fight at Jerusalem. And the wealth of all the surrounding nations shall be collected, gold, silver, and garments in great abundance.***

***15 And a plague like this plague shall fall on the horses, the mules, the camels, the donkeys, and whatever beasts may be in those camps.***

# Zechariah Ch 14:12-15 Discussion

- *These verses describe what happened to those attacking Jerusalem—both the enemy soldiers and their animals are struck with plague. God’s military power creates overwhelming panic among the attackers, causing them to turn violently against each other. This defeat results in the plundering of the enemy forces, with the wealth going to the previously robbed people of Judah and Jerusalem.*
- *The passage depicts **divine judgment** through disease rather than conventional warfare. The enemies’ flesh melts away while they stand, their eyes run down their sockets, and their tongues curl up. This gruesome imagery emphasizes the **totality of God’s judgment**—both human soldiers and animals face this destruction.*
- *These verses function as **a parenthetical flashback** to the initial invasion described earlier, detailing how the Gentile armies surrounding Jerusalem are destroyed. The passage shows that despite the city’s temporary fall and plundering; God’s intervention reverses the situation completely.*
- ***Those who conquered Jerusalem lose everything**—their lives, their animals, and their plunder—while Jerusalem’s survivors reclaim what was taken from them. **This reversal demonstrates God’s ultimate protection of his people and vindication of the city.***



*Those who come against God’s people and will, are destroyed*

# Zechariah Ch 14:16-21

***16 Then everyone who survives of all the nations that have come against Jerusalem shall go up year after year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Booths. (Tabernacles)***

***17 And if any of the families of the earth do not go up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, there will be no rain on them.***

***18 And if the family of Egypt does not go up and present themselves, then on them there shall be no rain; there shall be the plague with which the Lord afflicts the nations that do not go up to keep the Feast of Booths.***

***19 This shall be the punishment to Egypt and the punishment to all the nations that do not go up to keep the Feast of Booths.***

***20 And on that day, there shall be inscribed on the bells of the horses, "Holy to the Lord." And the pots in the house of the Lord shall be as the bowls before the altar.***

***21 And every pot in Jerusalem and Judah shall be holy to the Lord of hosts, so that all who sacrifice may come and take of them and boil the meat of the sacrifice in them. And there shall no longer be a trader (Canaanite) in the house of the Lord of hosts on that day.***

# Zechariah Ch 14:16-21. What does it all mean?

*After God judges the nations that attacked Jerusalem, some people from those nations will survive. These survivors will come to Jerusalem every year to worship God as King and celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles. If any nation refuses to come, it will suffer punishment, such as drought—Egypt is given as an example due to the origins of Tabernacles*

- *Even though these nations were once enemies, their survivors will turn to God and become his followers. Zechariah uses a word for “survivors” that links them with God’s own people, showing that people from all nations will join in worshiping him... Remnants*
- *Instead of sending messengers out, God invites all nations to come to him like guests at a great feast. Holiness will spread everywhere—not just in the temple, but throughout Jerusalem and Judah.*
  - *Ordinary things, like horse bells and cooking pots, will be marked “Holy to the Lord” and treated as sacred. Everything in the city will belong to God, and there will no longer be anything unclean or improper in his house.*

## **Main point:**

*In the end, people from all nations will worship God together, and all of life will be holy—like a joyful, ongoing celebration.*

# Zechariah Ch 14:16-21 Why celebrate Tabernacles?

*The Feast of Tabernacles was a celebration that reminded Israel of **God's choice of them** and **His work in creating the nation**. It had several layers of meaning: it recalled their deliverance from Egypt, God's provision during the forty years in the wilderness when they lived in temporary shelters, and the harvest that showed the abundance God gave them in the land.*

*The feast also remembered the covenant and the giving of the law at Mount Sinai, highlighting God's role as King who rules His people with justice. It was the most popular of the three pilgrimage festivals and was considered especially sacred. It is also understood to continue into the End Times and be celebrated during the Millennium.*

*The festival carried **strong ethical significance** as well.*

- *It emphasized **compassion and justice**, serving as a time to give **tithes to Levites, foreigners, orphans, and widows, and to cancel debts every seventh year.***
- *Another key part of the celebration was the **public reading of the law every seven years, as commanded in Deuteronomy.***



***As God's people in the Millennium, we will still celebrate His Choices and Actions for us***

# Next week

*We will begin the lessons on “**What Baptists Believe**”. This is an important study for all of us to recalibrate our beliefs regarding God’s Word and also be in harmony with FRC beliefs.*

➤ *Pray for our Nation and its leaders*

- *Pray for both the Iranian War and the Russia/Ukraine wars to come to an end*
- *Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem and Peace for Israel*

➤ *Our State and its Leaders, and the elections to come, for God to give us Godly leaders*

➤ *Our Church, the Pastors and Leaders*

➤ *All of the prayers needed for our class and families*

*Thank God for his mercy and grace for each of us as we struggle with all the issues and problems we are facing*