

Zechariah 1:7-21 **World at rest – Zion Comforted – Nations Judged**

Vision of the Horses

7 On the twenty-fourth day of the eleventh month, which is the month Shebat, in the second year of Darius, the word of Yahweh (the Lord) came to Zechariah the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo the prophet:

8 I saw by night, and behold, a man riding on a red horse, and it stood among the myrtle trees in the hollow; and behind him were horses: red, sorrel, and white.

9 Then I said, "Adoniy (My lord), what are these?" So the angel who talked with me said to me, "I will show you what they are."

10 And the man who stood among the myrtle trees answered and said, "These are the ones whom Yahweh (the Lord) has sent to walk to and fro throughout the earth."

11 So they answered Malek Yahweh (the Angel of the Lord), who stood among the myrtle trees, and said, "We have walked to and fro throughout the earth, and behold, all the earth is resting quietly."

The Lord Will Comfort Zion

12 Then Malek Yahweh (the Angel of the Lord) answered and said, "O Yahweh Tsebaovt (Lord of hosts), how long will You not have mercy on Jerusalem and on the cities of Judah, against which You were angry these seventy years?"

13 And Yahweh (the Lord) answered the angel who talked to me, with good and comforting words.

14 So the angel who spoke with me said to me, "Proclaim, saying, 'Thus says Yahweh Tsebaovt (the Lord of hosts):

"I am zealous for Jerusalem And for Zion with great zeal.

15 I am exceedingly angry with the nations at ease; For I was a little angry, And they helped — but with evil intent."

16 "Therefore thus says Yahweh (the Lord):

"I am returning to Jerusalem with mercy; My house shall be built in it," says Yahweh Tsebaovt (the Lord of hosts), "And a surveyor's line shall be stretched out over Jerusalem."

17 "Again proclaim, saying, 'Thus says Yahweh Tsebaovt (the Lord of hosts):

"My cities shall again spread out through prosperity; Yahweh (The Lord) will again comfort Zion, And will again choose Jerusalem.'"

Vision of the Horns

18 Then I raised my eyes and looked, and there were four horns.

19 And I said to the angel who talked with me, "What are these?"

So he answered me, "These are the horns that have scattered Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem."

20 Then Yahweh (the Lord) showed me four craftsmen.

21 And I said, "What are these coming to do?"

So he said, "These are the horns that scattered Judah, so that no one could lift up his head; but the

craftsmen are coming to terrify them, to cast out the horns of the nations that lifted up their horn against the land of Judah to scatter it."

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Facts Revealed:

Vision of the Horses [Zechariah 1:7-11]

- ✧ Time is the 24th day of the 11th month of the 2nd year of Darius king of Persia.
- ✧ The horses represent the ones Yahweh has sent through all the earth to observe it.
- ✧ The report is that all the earth is at rest and quiet.

The Lord Will Comfort Zion [Zechariah 1:12-17]

- ✧ Judah & Jerusalem's seventy years of captivity spoken by Jeremiah are at their end.
[Jeremiah 25:1-13, 29:10-14]
- ✧ Punishment is completed and now time has come for Yahweh to comfort His returning people and city.
- ✧ Yahweh is zealous for Zion, and angry over the nations who He used to scattered His people because they did it with evil intent and are now at ease.
- ✧ Yahweh had been a little angry with His wayward people but now will return with mercy.
- ✧ Beit Yahweh (The House of Yahweh) and Jerusalem will be built again.
- ✧ The cities of His people will again spread out in prosperity.
- ✧ Yahweh will again comfort Zion and choose Jerusalem.

Vision of the Horns [Zechariah 1:18-21]

- ✧ The four horns represent the powers that had scattered Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem.
- ✧ The craftsmen are coming to cast out the powers of the nations that lifted up their horn against the land of Judah to scatter it.