

Eight Visions – Part 2 (Zechariah 1:18-2:5)

1:18-21: Vision of four _____ and four _____

- Horns – those which have _____ Judah, Israel, and _____
 - 1) Represent _____ and their _____ (Dan. 8; Rev. 12)
 - 2) *Near term:* _____ / Babylon / Medo-Persia / _____
 - 3) Dan. 2: Babylon / Medo-Persia / Greece / _____ → _____ Rome
- Craftsmen – those that terrify and _____ the _____

Dan. 2	<i>Horn</i>	<i>Craftsman</i>
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	Babylon	_____
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	Medo-Persia	_____
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	Greece	_____
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	Rome → future	_____
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2:1-5: Vision of a man with a _____ line

- Jerusalem will be _____ and _____ again
- *Without* _____ – a picture of _____ → therefore, _____!
- The LORD – *I will be a wall of* _____ *around Jerusalem* – her _____
And I will be the _____ *in her midst* → therefore, _____!
- Complete fulfillment awaits _____ return – i.e., _____

Lessons – on the character of God

1. God is _____ – His assurance to Israel from the vision of the horns
 - He takes account of every _____ / nation _____ them
 - He has complete _____ of the plight of His _____
 - He has appointed the _____ of all of their _____
2. God is _____ – He keeps His _____
 - To Israel and to _____ (Eph. 1:3-14; Rom. 8:28-39)
3. God is _____
 - God's _____ judgment – an expression of His _____
God's will to wipe out the _____ (Deut. 20 → Gen. 15)
 - What about me? Be careful about _____ God's justice
_____ God for His mercy – do not _____

Discussion Questions: Zechariah 1:1-2:5

1. Is anything seriously competing with / challenging my *first love* for Christ right now?

How might I be presuming upon the grace and/or mercy of God?

What will it mean for me to repent?

What is a *deed that I did at first* that I can return to in order to *demonstrate* my repentance?

2. What are some assurances to us from Scripture that God is just? Here are a few New Testament passages to get us started.

- Rom. 9:14ff
- 2 Cor. 5:10
- John 5:30

3. Can you think of other examples in Scripture where “mercy triumphed over justice?”

What about in our day? ...or in the lives of someone you know?

4. What is *one thing* you definitely want to take away with you from today's message?

How do you plan to *follow through* on that *one thing*?