

THE MINOR PROPHETS

Part 8: The Story of Zechariah – God Loves Us! Chuck Larsen, May 29, 2011

Zech 1:14 (NLT) Then the angel said to me, Shout this message for all to hear: This is what the LORD of Heaven's Armies says: My love for Jerusalem and Mount Zion is passionate and strong.

GOD CALLS THE PEOPLE HE LOVES TO...

1. _____ TO HIM

1:3 This is what the Lord of Heaven's Armies says: Return to me, and I will return to you, says the Lord of Heaven's Armies.

2. _____ HIM – 8 VISIONS

2-6 The horsemen, the horns & smiths, the measuring line, the high priest, the olive trees, the flying scroll, the ephah, and the four chariots.

3. _____ HIM

7:8-12 Then this message came to Zechariah from the LORD: This is what the LORD of Heaven's Armies says: Judge fairly, and show mercy and kindness to one another. Do not oppress widows, orphans, foreigners, and the poor. And do not scheme against each other. Your ancestors refused to listen to this message. They stubbornly turned away and put their fingers in their ears to keep from hearing. They made their hearts as hard as stone, so they could not hear the instructions of the messages that the LORD of Heaven's Armies had sent them by his Spirit through the earlier prophets.

4. _____ HIM

8:12-13 For I am planting seeds of peace and prosperity among you. The grapevines will be heavy with fruit. The earth will produce its crops, and the heavens will release the dew. Once more I will cause the remnant in Judah and Israel to inherit these blessings. Among the other nations, Judah and Israel became symbols of a cursed nation. But no longer! Now I will rescue you and make you both a symbol and a source of blessing. So don't be afraid. Be strong, and get on with building the Temple.

5. _____ HIM

9:9 Rejoice, O people of Zion! Shout in triumph, O people of Jerusalem! Look, your king is coming to you. He is righteous and victorious, yet he is humble, riding on a donkey, riding on a donkey's colt.

6. _____ FOR HIM

12:10 And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy, so that, when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn.
14:8-9 On that day life-giving waters will flow out from Jerusalem, half toward the Dead Sea and half toward the Mediterranean, flowing continuously in both summer and winter. And the LORD will be king over all the earth. On that day there will be one LORD – his name alone will be worshipped.