

# The Minor Prophets

## Zechariah – “Yahweh Remembers”

Please pray and ask the Lord for understanding of His Word before you begin.

### Read Chapters 3 & 4

#### Chapter 3 - Vision of the High Priest

1. Read verses 1 & 2 along with Ephesians 6:12 and Jude 8, 9. What do you learn?
  
2. Read verses 3-5. What do “garments” represent in scripture? Isaiah 64:6 and Revelation 7:13,14 and 19:8 may help your answer.
  - a. Why would Joshua be clothed in filthy garments?
  
3. Read verses 6-10 along with Isaiah 42:1; Jeremiah 23:5,6 and Isaiah 11:1.
  - a. Who is ‘My Servant the Branch’?
  - b. The stone in v. 9 represents the Messiah. What are the seven eyes referring to? (Isaiah 11:2)

#### Chapter 4 – Vision of the Lampstand

The vision in chapter 3 was about Joshua but the vision in chapter 4 pertains to Zerubbabel. It was to be an encouragement to help him finish the rebuilding of the temple.

4. Read verses 1-5. Zechariah was a priest as well as a prophet so he would have understood about the lampstand of solid gold as being in the temple.
  - a. What was the part of the vision he didn’t understand?
  - b. Why did the angel wait until the end of the vision to answer his question?
  
5. Read verses 6 & 7 along with 1Corinthians 2:4 & 5. What do you learn?
  - a. Would this promise be an encouragement to you and if so, why?

6. Read verses 8-10. The work to rebuild must have seemed overwhelming to the people. Can't you just imagine the mountain of rubble that needed to be cleared away?

a. What is God telling Zerubbabel in these verses?

b. In verse 10 what does the phrase "for who has despised the day of small things?" mean?

7. In verses 11-14 Zechariah finally gets the answer to his question. Who are the two olive trees and the two branches feeding the golden bowl on the lampstand? (Revelation 11:4)

### **Chapter 5 – The Flying Scroll and The Woman in a Basket**

8. Explain the vision described in verses 1-4. Matthew 25:41; Galatians 3:10-13 and Revelation 21:8 will help you answer.

9. Read verses 5-11 with Amos 8:5 and James 5:2,3.

a. Why would the woman, the basket and the lead weight be associated with wickedness?

b. Why are the women with wings taking the basket back to Shinar (Babylon)?

**"The eyes of the Lord are in every place, keeping watch on the evil and the good."  
Proverbs 15:3**