

THE REDEMPTION OF ISRAEL

ZECHARIAH 12

OUTLINE OF THE LAST CHAPTERS

VI. The Future of World Powers, Israel, and the

Kingdom of the Messiah (9:1-14:21)

- THE FIRST ORACLE: ADVENT & REJECTION OF MESSIAH-KING (9:1-11:17)
- ADVENT (9:1-11:1)
- THE REJECTION (11:1-17)
- THE SECOND ORACLE: SECOND ADVENT & ACCEPTANCE OF MESSIAH-KING (12:1-14:21)
- FUTURE DELIVERANCE & NATIONAL CONVERSION (12:1-13:9)
- RETURN OF THE LORD IN GLORY 14:1-21)

DEFINITION OF BURDEN

The prophet called his news a “burden” (Zech. 12:1). The Hebrew term is *מַסָּא* *massa* (“pronouncement”), which describes oracles concerning future events. In this case, the *massa* foretells Israel’s experience in the Day of the Lord and, specifically, the Gentile powers’ global attack on Jerusalem.

It’s Not Just a Passing Glance

In Hebrew, the word for “look” is *v’hibitu* (וְהִבִּיטוּ) which carries the idea of looking with trusting hope and longing.

It is the same word used in the incident of the bronze serpent found in Numbers 21.

AS MOSES LIFTED UP THE SERPENT IN THE WILDERNESS,

EVEN SO

MUST THE

SON OF MAN

BE LIFTED UP
SO THAT WHOEVER BELIEVES IN HIM WILL HAVE

ETERNAL LIFE.

JOHN 3:14

THE TRINITY AT WORK (12:10)

SPEAKER: THE LORD GOD

**ME WHOM THEY PIERCED: THE LORD JESUS
SPIRIT OF GRACE AND SUPPLICATION—
EFFECTED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT**

1) GOD TAKES THE INITIATIVE

- A. GOD GAVE HIS SON (JN.3:16)**
- B. GOD HAD ALREADY BEGUN TO WORK IN THEIR HEARTS (ZECH. 12:5)**
- C. GOD POURS OUT A SPIRIT OF GRACE — HIS UNDESERVED FAVOR (ZECH. 12:10)**

1) GOD TAKES THE INITIATIVE

- D. AND SUPPLICATION — CALLING ON GOD'S FORGIVENESS FOR (1 JOHN 1:9)**
 - 1. HAVING REJECTED THE LORD JESUS AS THEIR MESSIAH (ISAIAH 53:4)**
 - 2. THEIR OWN PERSONAL SIN (ISAIAH 53:6)**

2) ISRAEL'S RESPONSE NATIONALLY AND INDIVIDUALLY

- A. REPENTED OF THEIR SIN**
- B. EXERCISED THEIR FAITH IN HIM**
- C. RECEIVED GOD'S FORGIVENESS**
- D. MOURNED THEIR REJECTION OF THEIR MESSIAH**

LESSONS

- 1. GOD IS NOT THROUGH WITH ISRAEL (ZECH. 12:10; ROM. 9-11)**
 - A. IN THE PRESENT SINCE PENTECOST, THERE IS AND HAS BEEN A REMNANT OF JEWISH PEOPLE WHO BELIEVE IN THEIR MESSIAH JESUS.**

LESSONS

- B. IN THE FUTURE AT THE RETURN OF CHRIST, THE WHOLE REMAINING NATION WILL BE SAVED, AND GOD WILL FULFILL ALL HIS REMAINING PROMISES TO ISRAEL. GOD KEEPS HIS PROMISES!!!!!!**

LESSONS

- 2. GOD STILL LOVES ALL THE JEWISH PEOPLE AND SO SHOULD WE, BY**
 - A. PRAYING FOR THE PEACE OF JERUSALEM (PS. 122:6)**
 - B. TAKING OPPORTUNITIES TO SHARE THE GOSPEL WITH JEWISH PEOPLE BY WORD AND DEED.**

LESSONS

- 3. GOD'S WARNING AGAINST ATTACKING ISRAEL:
AND I WILL BLESS THOSE WHO BLESS YOU,
AND THE ONE WHO CURSES YOU I WILL CURSE
(GEN. 12:3).**
- 4. GOD DOES HOLD ISRAEL ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE
CRUCIFIXION OF CHRIST. (12:10—"WHOM THEY
PIERCED")**