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Zechariah says, “Shhhhh. . . .”



Zechariah 13-14

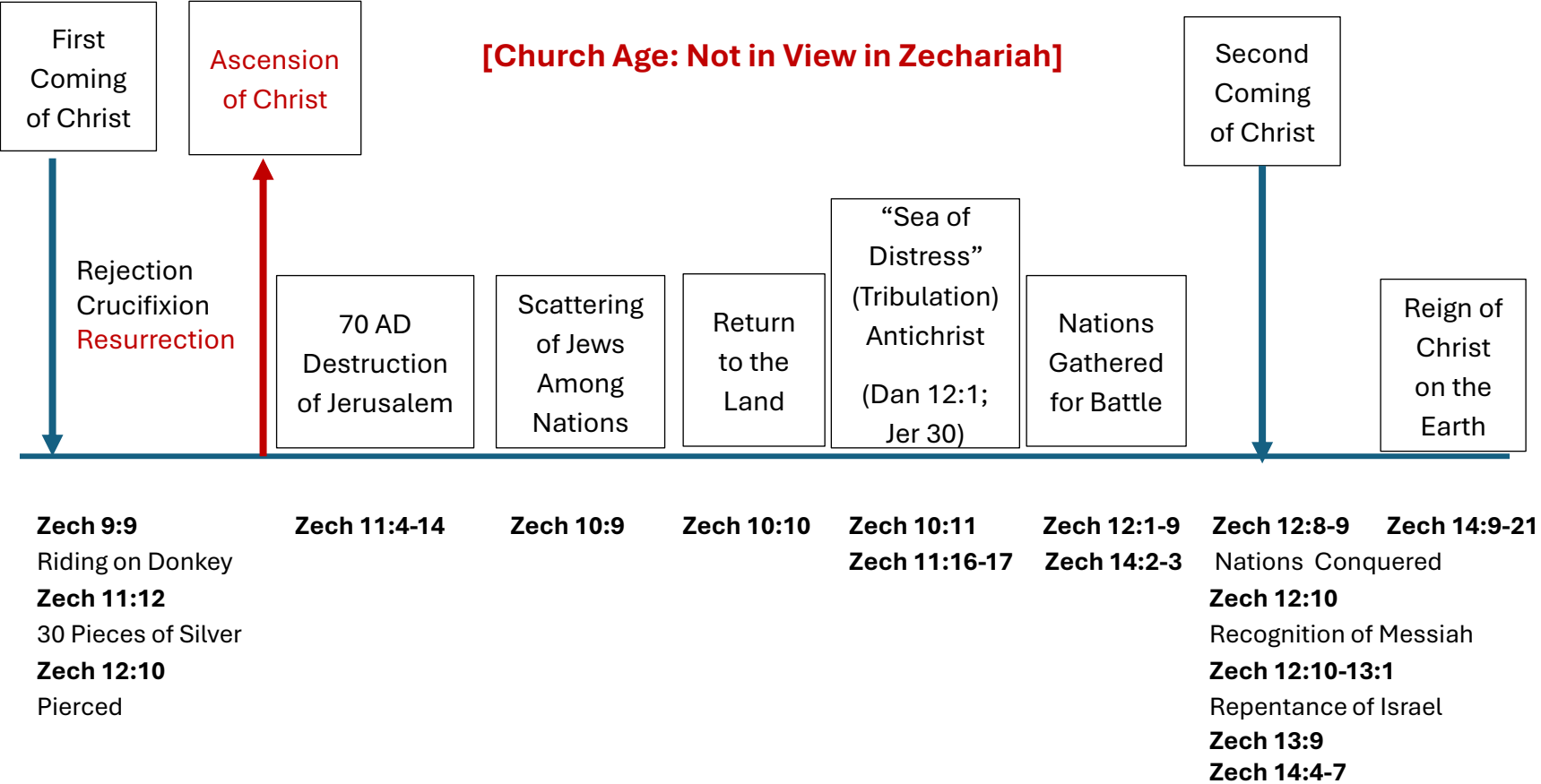


Fountain Opened for Cleansing (13:1)

- See 12:10-14—Forgiveness after repentance
- Cleansing of Sin (missing God's standard of holiness)—the people's action
- Cleansing of Impurity (separation between the sinner & God)—the people's uncleanness

CHRONOLOGY OF ZECHARIAH, Chs. 9-14

("concerning Israel" Zech 12:1)



Different Translations of Hebrew *'āmîṭ* (13:7)

- My Associate
- My Fellow
- The Man Who is close to Me
- My Friend
- My Equal
- The Man Who stands next to Me

“Strike the Shepherd” (13:7)

- Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted (Isaiah 53:4).
- But Yahweh [the LORD] was pleased To crush Him, putting Him to grief; If You would place His soul as a guilt offering, He will see His seed, He will prolong His days, And the good pleasure of Yahweh will succeed in His hand (Isaiah 53:10a).



I am the Good Shepherd; the good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep (John 10:11).

Curses for Covenant Breaking

- But it shall come about, if you do not obey the LORD your God, to observe to do all His commandments and His statutes with which I charge you today, that all these curses will come upon you and overtake you (Deut. 28:15).
- You shall betroth a wife, but another man will violate her; you shall build a house, but you will not live in it; you shall plant a vineyard, but you will not use its fruit (Deut. 28:30).

This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven (Acts 1:11b).





Zechariah 14:4

From: *Atlas of Israel* 1985. p. 17.

Looking east across the roofs of the Old City of Jerusalem

Mount of Olives



Splits North

Splits South

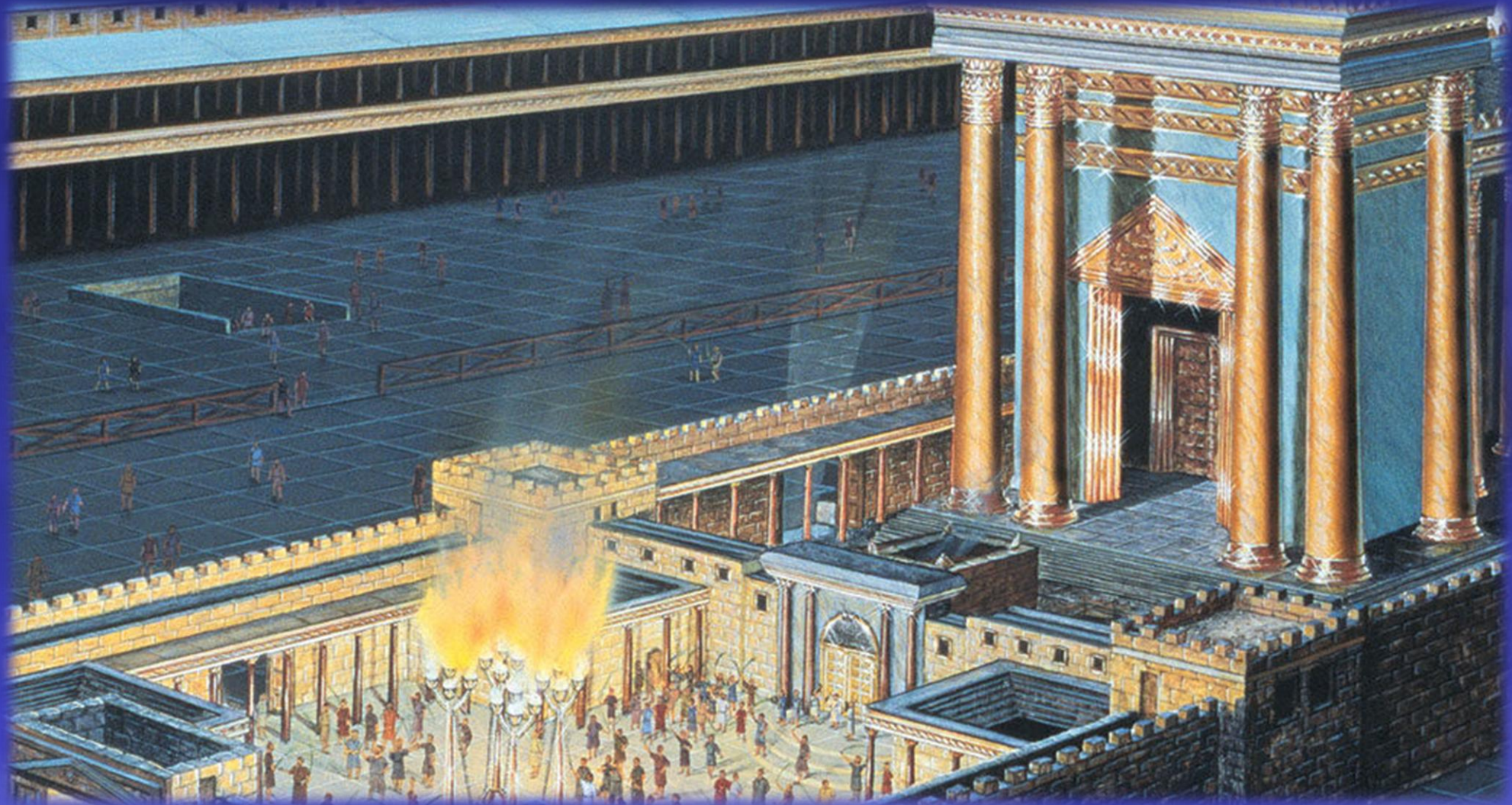




“If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink”
(John 7:37).



Jesus said, "I am the Light of the world" (John 8:12).



Jerusalem Elevated (14:10)

“Speak comfort to Jerusalem, and cry out to her, That her warfare is ended, That her iniquity is pardoned; For she has received from the LORD'S hand Double for all her sins. . . . Every valley shall be exalted And every mountain and hill brought low; The crooked places shall be made straight And the rough places smooth; The glory of the LORD shall be revealed, And all flesh shall see it together; For the mouth of the LORD has spoken” (Isaiah 40:2, 4-5).

Lessons:

- Jesus is the Good Shepherd. He gave his life for your salvation.
- Have you been cleansed by the fountain opened by His sacrifice?
- Jesus is the Light of the world.
- Jesus will be King of the whole earth.
- God wants us to be holy now—to separate from sin and be dedicated to Him—for His glory.