

## Judgement is Coming and so is King Jesus

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Oakbrook Community Church

Zechariah 6:1-15

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### Vision shows God's Providence

6:1-8

- demonstrated as Mtns of Brass  
WSC #7 The decrees of God are, his eternal purpose, according to the counsel of his will, whereby, for his own glory, he hath foreordained whatsoever comes to pass.  
WSC #8: God executeth his decrees in the works of creation and providence.
- affects the whole earth: 4 Chariots/4 winds 5-7
- is Varied: Red=war & bloodshed; Black=sorrow & death; White=victory & triumph; Dappled=mixture  
Apply: God is in control through ALL events! Prv 16:33; Is 45:7
- is powerful & effective: Psalm 2 3,5
- are ever satisfying to Him: 8  
God will NOT apologize for His ways – they are perfect!

### Prophetic Drama: shows coming King-Priest

6:9-15

- Historical Situation 9-11  
God's providence in men returning to prepare set for drama  
Why is the priest being crowned as king?
- the Spiritual Application 12-15  
"Behold the man" same words as Pilate's introduction of Jesus Jn 19:5
- 1. The Branch 12  
God's provision would "branch out" from obscurity...
- 2. The Builder of the Temple 12-13,15  
Branch would build the temple.  
Foundation Eph 2:20-21.  
Living stones 1 Pet 2:15.  
Include "those from afar" Rev 5:9-10.  
Christ would redeem these sinners for His temple Eph 2:11-22
- 3. The King-Priest: Christ 13-15  
Visual picture of Christ as the Priest & King.  
Phil 2:5-11 unpacks the role of Priest(offering) & then King (every knee bow)  
Consider Hebrews 9:24-28

Apply: Will you crown this King/Priest Jesus with your life? As a redeemed sinner?

## To Think About & Discuss:

- Prophecy is often difficult and obscure. Prophecy should always exalt Jesus Christ and bring all into submission to Him. So how should that view affect our view and understanding and study of prophecy?
- This passage shows God's judgments (Chariots). Should believers fear God's judgment in any sense? Consider John 5:24; Romans 8:1; 1 Cor 3:10-15; 2 Cor 5:9-11.
- To what degree should we use the fear of God's coming judgment (versus God's love) in our witnessing? Hebrews 9:27
- As we look at the Chariots we see God's varied Providence. How does Romans 8:28 instruct us? How does this help when facing persecution?
- Consider Joseph's life (Genesis 37-50). Read Genesis 50:20. How does Joseph's explanation of his circumstances of life help us gain a proper perspective and attitude?
- Calvin wrote: God So Uses the Works of the Ungodly, and So Bends Their Minds to Carry Out His Judgments, That He Remains Pure From Every Stain. (Institutes 1.18, title). How do you explain God's use of evil in His Providence? Consider: Isaiah 45:7; Prov 16:33; Hab 1:13; Rom 9:19-20
- How does Christ building the temple affect your view of the Church? How should your life change if you were totally committed to building God's temple (His Church)?
- Read Psalm 2; Phil 2:5-11– what do we learn about the Kingship of Christ? How would you answer someone who argues that it does not appear that Christ is reigning as King today?
- Read Hebrews 7:23-28; 9:24-28. What do we learn about the priesthood of Christ.