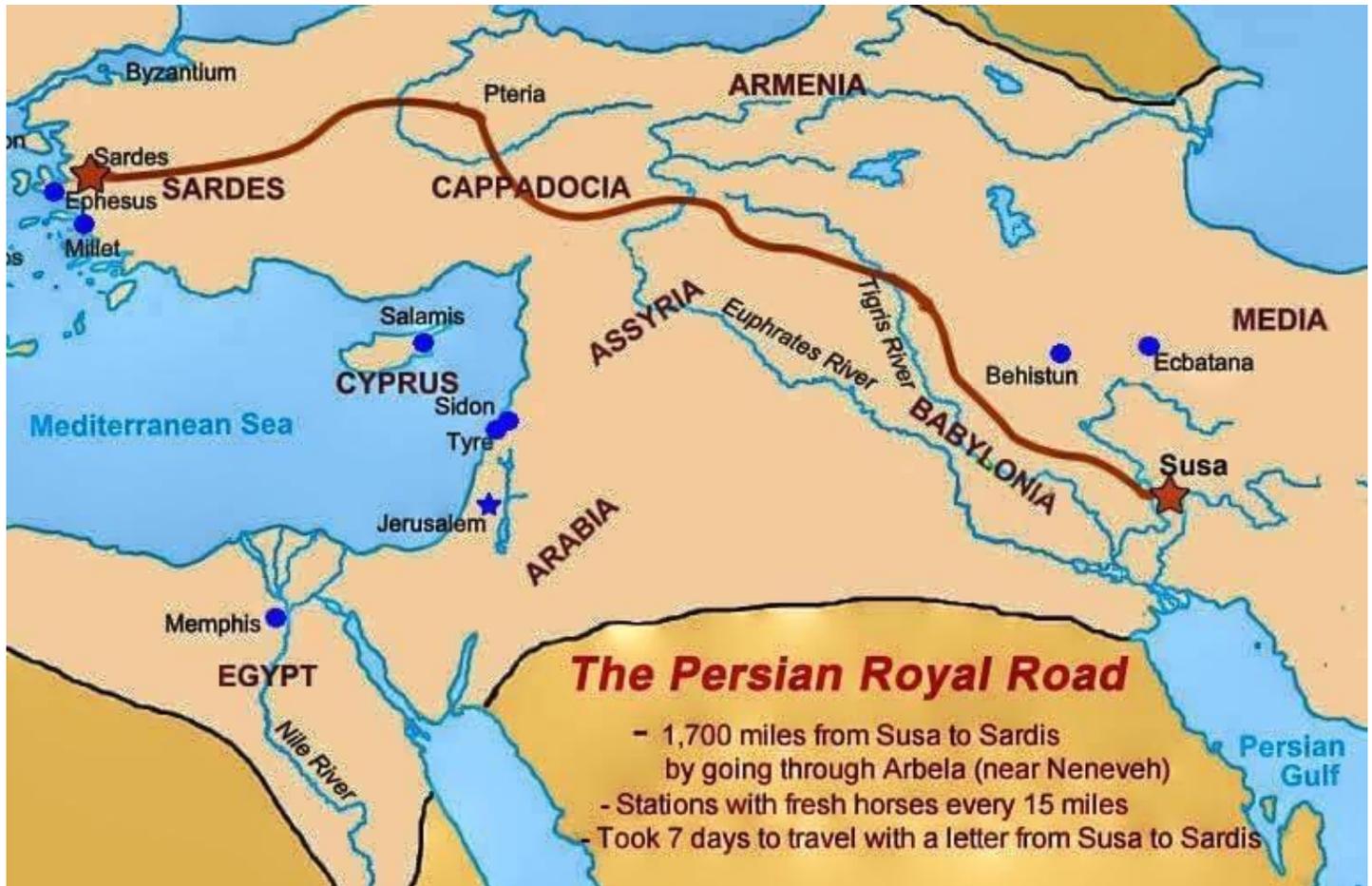


Zechariah 1



Overview of Zechariah

1. Zechariah 1-6 - Zechariah's Eight Visions on February 15, 519 BC
 - a. **Man among the myrtle trees** – God is watching and controlling history
 - b. **Four horns and four horn cutters** – God will remove the oppressive nations
 - c. **Measuring line** – Jerusalem will have a population explosion
 - d. **Garments for the High Priest** – God is reinstalling the priesthood of Aaron
 - e. **Golden lamp stand and two olive trees** – Joshua and Zerubbabel are anointed and are providing the oil for Israel's lamp
 - f. **Flying scroll** – There is a curse hanging over the land. Violators of the covenant will be removed from history
 - g. **Woman in a basket** – the system of evil will be returned to the pagan land of Babylonia but it will not be part of Israel's new nation.
 - h. **Four chariots** – God ultimate victory over the oppressive nations is won and judgment is brought to those nations
2. Zechariah 7-8
 - a. Four messages (7:4-8:23) in response to the question about fasting (7:1-3)
 - i. Rebuke
 - ii. Repentance
 - iii. Restoration
 - iv. Rejoicing

3. Zechariah 9-14

a. Two oracles revealing future of God's program

i. The anointed King rejected (9-11)

1. Judgment on contemporary nations around Israel (9:1-8)
2. Blessing (9:9-10-12)
3. Rejection of the Good Shepherd by Israel and the results of Israel's rejection (11)

ii. The rejected King enthroned (12-14)

1. Israel restored and redeemed (12-13)
2. The King returns (14)

536	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An angel comes to Daniel after he fasted for 3 weeks. Daniel receives his final revelation in Daniel 10, 11 and 12. Chapter 11 will cover the history from the time of Cyrus (536) up through the Macabbean Revolt against Antiochus Epiphanies (168). The prophecy then continues with the rise of the anti-Christ (11:36) • Zerubbabel goes to rebuild the temple • The altar is built and the foundation for the temple is laid. • Samaritan's begin to oppose the Jew's efforts to rebuild the temple (Ez. 4:1-5) 	<p>Daniel 10, 11, 12</p> <p>Ezra 3</p> <p>Zerubbabel</p> <p>Altar Rebuilt Ezra 4:1-5</p> <p>Jews Opposed</p>
534	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cyrus gives his son Cambyses the task of preparing for an expedition against Egypt which will finally be unleashed in 525 BC 	Cambyses
530	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 26, at the New Years festival Cyrus appoints his son, Cambyses, as his coregent and successor. Cambyses is given title "King of Babylon" and Cyrus maintains the title "King of Kings." 	
529	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cyrus dies on the battle field versus nomadic barbarians • Cyrus was buried in Pasargadae one of the five capital cities (Babylon, Ecbatana, Persepolis, Pasargadae and Susa) • Cyrus had built an enormous empire with roads, postal system and legal codes. • Cambyses secures the throne by murdering his brother Smerdis 	
525	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cambyses totally defeats Egypt in the eastern delta of the Nile and captures Memphis. • Cambyses desired to capture the Oasis of Ammon further west in the desert and to march on to Carthage but his 50,000 troops perished in the desert and the Phoenician ships refused to land ships carrying Persian soldiers to attack the Phoenician colony of Carthage. 	Cambyses Defeats Egypt
522	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gaumata, a pseudo-Smerdis, claims the throne back in Babylon • Cambyses disappears from history near Mt. Carmel on his return to Babylon 	
521	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Darius Hystaspes executes Gaumata and takes the throne of the Persian empire • Darius Hystaspes searches the royal archives in Babylon and finds that Cyrus had ordered the rebuilding of the temple in Jerusalem. Opposition stops. • Within two years Darius Hystaspes stabilizes the empire. 	Darius Hystaspes
520	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The two prophets, Haggai and Zechariah, minister in Jerusalem. • August 29, the word of the Lord comes to Haggai and the book of Haggai begins. 	Haggai

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> October 17, Haggai 2:1-9 the word of the Lord is a message for Zerubbabel, the governor, Joshua, the high priest, and the remnant of people Oct/Nov Zechariah records his first message from the Lord in Zechariah 1:1-6 Darius Hystaspes searches the royal archives in Babylon and finds that Cyrus had ordered the rebuilding of the temple in Jerusalem. Opposition stops. Rebuilding of the temple resumes after opposition had stopped it 16 years earlier. (Ezra 5-6) December 18, 520, Haggai prophecies blessings on the remnant (Hag. 2:10-23) 	Zechariah Haggai 1:1-15 Haggai 2:1-9 Zechariah 1:1-6 Ezra 5-6 Haggai 2:10-23
519	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> February 15, in one night Zechariah is given a series of eight night visions in one night: 	Zechariah 1:7-6:8
518	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> December 7, Zechariah receives the word of the Lord in the fourth year of Darius Hystaspes (Zech. 7) 	Zechariah 7
516	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The temple is completed by Zerubbabel. It has been 70 years since the temple was destroyed in 586. 	Ezra 6:13-18 Temple Rebuilt 70 Years After It Was Destroyed
490	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Darius attacks Athens by sailing across the Aegean Sea and land 20 miles from Athens on the plains of Marathon. The Persians had 600 ships with 20,000 men; Athenians had 10,000 men A Greek runner ran 150 miles in 36 hours to Sparta for help but Sparta didn't come Miltiades, an Athenian general, launched an attack by charging down the hill in formation with thin middle ranks. Persia broke through the middle line but found themselves trapped and rushed back to their ships The Persians headed for the bay of Athens but the Athenians out ran them there and Persia returned home. Athenians captured 7 Persian ships. Casualties suffered: Persia-6,400 Athens-192 	Battle of Marathon
485	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Xerxes begins to reign Samaritans take this chance to file a complaint (Ezra 4:6) Xerxes says stop rebuilding the rebellious city Jerusalem 	Xerxes Ezra 4:6
483	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Xerxes displays his vast wealth and military power at a banquet in preparation for his invasion of Greece. 	Esther 1
481 480 479	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Xerxes goes to war against Greece. Persia fights the battles of: Thermopylae – The movie “300” with Spartan king Leonidas with his 300 men fight Xerxes 	Battles of: Thermopylae

Zechariah 1:1 – “In the eighth month, in the second year of Darius, the word of the LORD came to the prophet Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, son of Iddo, saying,

413 [e] 3068 [e] 1697 [e] 1961 [e] 1867 [e] 8147 [e] 8141 [e] 8066 [e] 2320 [e]
 'el- Yah-weh də-bar- hā-yāh le-dā-re-yā-weš; šə-ta-yim biš-naṭ haš-šə-mī-nī, ba-ḥō-deš
 אֶל־ יְהוָה דְּבַר־ הָיָה לְדַרְיָוֶשׁ שְׁתַּיִם בַּשָּׁנָת הַשְּׁמִינִי בַחֹדֶשׁ 1
 to of Yahweh the word came of Darius second in the year the eighth In month
 Prep N-proper-ms N-msc V-Qal-Perf-3ms Prep-I | N-proper-ms Number-fd Prep-b | N-fsc Art | Number-oms Prep-b, Art | N-ms

559 [e] 5030 [e] 5714 [e] 1121 [e] 1296 [e] 1121 [e] 2148 [e]
 lê-mōr. han-nā-bî 'id-dōw ben- be-rek-yāh, ben- zə-ḵar-yāh
 , לֵאמֹר׃ הַנְּבִיא עֵדוּ בֶן־ בְּרַכְיָה בֶן־ זְכַרְיָה
 saying the prophet of Iddo son of Berechiah son Zechariah
 Prep-I | V-Qal-Inf Art | N-ms N-proper-ms N-msc N-proper-ms N-msc N-proper-ms

1. The date is **October 27, 520 BC**

Verse	Darius' Year	Month	Day	Modern Date
1:1 – Haggai's received message (1 st)	2nd	sixth	1	August 29, 520 BC
1:15a - began work on temple	2nd	sixth	24	September 21, 520 BC
1:15b-2:1 – Haggai's message to Zerubbabel (2 nd)	2nd	seventh	21	October 17, 520 BC
2:10 – Haggai's message to the priests (3 rd)	2nd	ninth	24	December 18, 520 BC
2:20 – Haggai's message to Zerubbabel, shake the earth (4 th)	2nd	ninth	24	December 18, 520 BC

 **Zechariah begins book on October 27, 520**

- August 29, 520 – Build the Temple
 - October 17, 520 – Do not be discouraged
 - **October 27, 520 – Zechariah 1:1-6**
 - December 18, 520 – Blessing begins today
 - December 18, 520 - Zerubbabel is like the Lord's signet ring
2. Dated according to the reign of a Gentile King and not an Israelite King or event. This was the “time of the Gentiles” foretold by Daniel and referred to by Jesus (Daniel 2; 7; Luke 21:24)
 3. Zechariah
 - a. A prophet
 4. Mentioned in Ezra:
 - a. Ezra 5:1 – “Now the prophets, Haggai and Zechariah the son of Iddo, prophesied to the Jews who were in Judah and Jerusalem, in the name of the God of Israel who was over them.”
 - b. Ezra 6:14 – “And the elders of the Jews built and prospered through the prophesying of Haggai the prophet and Zechariah the son of Iddo. They finished their building by

decree of the God of Israel and by decree of Cyrus and Darius and Artaxerxes king of Persia.”

5. Father was Berechiah; Grandfather was Iddo (In Hebrew “son” can also mean descendant, such as in Jesus being the “son of David”)
 - a. There is an Iddo in Nehemiah 12:4 who was the head of a priestly clan in the second generation of the exiles who returned to Jerusalem
 - b. In Nehemiah 12:16 Zechariah takes the leadership of the same priestly clan.
 - c. Zechariah then would be a priest and a leader among the priest. (Other prophets who were from the priestly family were: Moses, Samuel, Jeremiah, Ezekiel and Zechariah son of Jehoiada .

1:2 – “The LORD was very angry with your fathers.

7110 [e]	1 [e]	5921 [e]	3068 [e]	7107 [e]
qā·ṣeḇ.	'ā·bō·w·tê·kem	'al-	Yah·weh	qā·ṣaḇ
קָצַף	אֲבוֹתֵיכֶם	עַל-	יְהוָה	קָצַף 2
very	your fathers	with	Yahweh	has been angry
N-ms	N-mpc 2mp	Prep	N-proper-ms	V-Qal-Perf-3ms

1. The people of 520 BC were where they are because the Lord was angry with their sinful lives and rebellious culture.
2. This understanding as foundational worldview in 520 BC is the absolute necessity. If they do not get this then they are doomed. If they understand and accept this Truth then they can begin the process of advancing in God’s plan.
3. Note the Hebrew says “has been angry...very” some literally translate this to say “angry with anger”

1:3 – “Therefore say to them, Thus declares the LORD of hosts: Return to me, says the LORD of hosts, and I will return to you, says the LORD of hosts.

3068 [e]	5002 [e]	413 [e]	7725 [e]	6635 [e]	3068 [e]	559 [e]	3541 [e]	413 [e]	559 [e]	
Yah·weh	nə·'um	'ê·lay,	šū·bū	ṣə·bā·'ō·wṭ,	Yah·weh	'ā·mar	kōh	'ā·lê·hem,	we·'ā·mar·tā	
יְהוָה	נֹאֵם	אֵלַי	שׁוּבוּ	—	צְבָאוֹת	יְהוָה	אָמַר	כֹּה	אֲלֵהֶם	וְאָמַרְתָּ 3
Yahweh	says	to Me	Return		of hosts	Yahweh	says	thus	to them	Therefore say
N-proper-ms	N-msc	Prep 1cs	V-Qal-Imp-mp		N-cp	N-proper-ms	V-Qal-Perf-3ms	Adv	Prep 3mp	Conj-w V-Qal-ConjPerf-2ms

6635 [e]	3068 [e]	559 [e]	413 [e]	7725 [e]	6635 [e]
ṣə·bā·'ō·wṭ.	Yah·weh	'ā·mar	'ā·lê·kem,	we·'ā·šūḇ	ṣə·bā·'ō·wṭ;
צְבָאוֹת	יְהוָה	אָמַר	אֲלֵיכֶם	וְאָשׁוּב	צְבָאוֹת
of hosts	Yahweh	says	to you	and I will return	of hosts
N-cp	N-proper-ms	V-Qal-Perf-3ms	Prep 2mp	Conj-w V-Qal-ConjImperf-1cs	N-cp

1. The forefathers’ sins destroyed Israel, Jerusalem and the Temple, but the current generation’s sins are holding up the restoration of the Temple, Jerusalem and the nation.

2. Haggai focused on the Temple being rebuilt. Zechariah will focus on much more being rebuilt including the city, the culture and the restoration of the nation fulfilling the purpose of the Lord.

1:4 – “Do not be like your fathers, to whom the former prophets cried out, ‘Thus says the LORD of hosts, Return from your evil ways and from your evil deeds.’ But they did not hear or pay attention to me, declares the LORD.

3541 [e]	559 [e]	7223 [e]	5030 [e]	413 [e]	7121 [e]	834 [e]	1 [e]	1961 [e]	408 [e]
kōh	lê-mōr,	hā-ri-šō-nîm	han-nə-bî-’îm	’ā-lê-hem	qā-rə-’ū-	’ā-šer	ka-’ā-bō-tê-kem	tih-yū	’al-
כֹּה	לֵאמֹר	הַרְאשִׁימ	הַנְּבִיאִים	אֲלֵיהֶם	קָרְאוּ	אֲשֶׁר	כַּאֲבֹתֵיכֶם	תִּהְיוּ	אֶל-
thus	saying	former	the prophets	to whom	preached	whom	like your fathers	do be	Not
Adv	Prep-I V-Qal-Inf	Art Adj-mp	Art N-mp	Prep 3mp	V-Qal-Perf-3cp	Pro-r	Prep-k N-mpc 2mp	V-Qal-Imperf-2mp	Adv

4611 [e]	7451 [e]	1870 [e]	4994 [e]	7725 [e]	6635 [e]	3068 [e]	559 [e]	
ū-ma-’al-lê-kem	ū-ma-’ā-lî-lê-kem	hā-rā-’îm,	mid-dar-kê-kem	nā	šū-bū	šə-bā-’ō-wt,	Yah-weh	’ā-mar
(וּמַעַלְלֵיכֶם)	[וּמַעַלְלֵיכֶם]	הַרְעִים	מִדְרָכֵיכֶם	נָא	שׁוּבוּ	צְבָאוֹת	יְהוָה	אָמַר
and your deeds	-	evil	from your ways	now	Turn	of hosts	Yahweh	says
Conj-w N-mpc 2mp	Conj-w N-mpc 2mp	Art Adj-mp	Prep-m N-cpc 2mp	Interjection	V-Qal-Imp-mp	N-cp	N-proper-ms	V-Qal-Perf-3ms

3068 [e]	5002 [e]	413 [e]	7181 [e]	3808 [e]	8085 [e]	3808 [e]	7451 [e]
Yah-weh.	nə-’um-	’ê-lay	hiq-šî-bū	wə-lō-	šā-mə-’ū	wə-lō	hā-rā-’îm;
יְהוָה:	נְאֻם-	אֵלַי	הִקְשִׁיבוּ	וְלֹא-	שָׁמְעוּ	וְלֹא	הַרְעִים
Yahweh	says	Me	heed	nor	they did hear	but not	evil
N-proper-ms	N-msc	Prep 1cs	V-Hifil-Perf-3cp	Conj-w Adv-NegPrt	V-Qal-Perf-3cp	Conj-w Adv-NegPrt	Art Adj-mp

1:5 – “Your fathers, where are they? And the prophets, do they live forever?

2421 [e]	5769 [e]	5030 [e]	1992 [e]	346 [e]	1 [e]
yih-yū.	hal-’ō-w-lām	wə-han-nə-bî-’îm,	hêm;	’ay-yêh-	’ā-bō-w-tê-kem
יְהִיוּ:	הַלְעוֹלָם	וְהַנְּבִיאִים	הֵם	אֵיךְ	אֲבֹתֵיכֶם
do they live	forever	and the prophets	they	where [are]	Your fathers
V-Qal-Imperf-3mp	Art, Prep-I N-ms	Conj-w, Art N-mp	Pro-3mp	Interrog	N-mpc 2mp

1:6 – “But my words and my statutes, which I commanded my servants the prophets, did they not overtake your fathers? So they repented and said, ‘As the LORD of hosts purposed to deal with us for our ways and deeds, so has he dealt with us.’”

5381 [e]	3808 [e]	5030 [e]	5650 [e]	853 [e]	6680 [e]	834 [e]	2706 [e]	1697 [e]	389 [e]
hiš-šf-ḡū	hā-lō-w	han-ne-bī-'im,	'ā-bā-day	'eṭ-	šiw-wī-tī	'ā-šer	wə-ḥuq-qay,	də-bā-ray	'ak
השיגו	הלוא	הנביאים	עבדי	את-	צויתי	אשר	וחקי	דברי	אך
they overtake	did not	the prophets	My servants	-	I commanded	which	and My statutes	My words	yet surely
V-Hifil-Perf-3cp	Adv-NegPrt	Art N-mp	N-mpc 1cs	DirObjM	V-Piel-Perf-1cs	Pro-r	Conj-w N-mpc 1cs	N-mpc 1cs	Adv

6635 [e]	3068 [e]	2161 [e]	834 [e]	559 [e]	7725 [e]	1 [e]
šə-bā-'ō-wṭ	Yah-weh	zā-mam	ka-'ā-šer	way-yō-mə-rū,	way-yā-šū-bū	'ā-bō-tē-kem;
צבאות	יהוה	זמם	כאשר	ויאמרו	וישובו	אבותיכם
of hosts	Yahweh	determined	just as	and said	so they returned	your fathers
N-cp	N-proper-ms	V-Qal-Perf-3ms	Prep-k Pro-r	Conj-w V-Qal-ConsecImperf-3mp	Conj-w V-Qal-ConsecImperf-3mp	N-mpc 2mp

854 [e]	6213 [e]	3651 [e]	4611 [e]	1870 [e]	6213 [e]		
s	'it-tā-nū.	'ā-šāh	kên	ū-kə-ma-'ā-lā-lê-nū,	kid-rā-ké-nū	lā-nū,	la-'ā-šō-wṭ
ס	אתנו:	עשה	כן	וכמעללינו	כדרךנו	לנו	לעשות
-	with us	He has dealt	so	and according to our deeds	According to our ways	to us	to do
Punc	Prep 1cp	V-Qal-Perf-3ms	Adv	Conj-w, Prep-k N-mpc 1cp	Prep-k N-cpc 1cp	Prep 1cp	Prep-l V-Qal-Inf