Zechariah 14:6-21

Zechariah 14:6 - "On that day there shall be no light, cold, or frost.

- 1. "no light" is typical of the Day of the Lord
 - a. Joel 3:15-17 "
 - b. Amos 5:18 "
 - c. References in Matthew and Revelation
- 2. The darkness seems to be more like twilight in the next verse. Similar to the descriptions using sackcloth sun and red moon.
- 3. "no...cold or frost" would seem to indicate there is not a total loss of the sun, etc. otherwise it would be very cold and totally frozen. But, this makes it appear the temperature remains steady.

14:7 – "And there shall be a unique day, which is known to the Lord, neither day nor night, but at evening time there shall be light.

- 1. There is no day or night. There is no distinction. Even twilight at night or when the sun should be setting.
 - The original rhythm of the day/night cycle at creation seems to be put on hold or interrupted.
- 2. "unique day" might be better understood and applied as a "unique time period"
 - a. After the 70th week
 - b. During the restoration?
 - c. Before the beginning of the Millennial Kingdom

14:8 – "On that day living waters shall flow out from Jerusalem, half of them to the eastern sea and half of them to the western sea. It shall continue in summer as in winter.

- 1. The water from the Jerusalem flowing east to the Dead Sea and west to the Mediterranean Sea
 - a. This matches Ezekiel
 - i. Water flows from the temple
 - ii. Water flows from under the throne
- 2. Water flows in summer and winter:
 - a. Normally in the summer the water and the wadis dry up
 - b. Normally in the winter there are rainy seasons and at times seasons of cold, frozen water
 - c. This will be a different climate and environment
- 3. This is literal wet water. There is room for a comparison of the life-giving water of Jesus and the Holy Spirit, but this is still referring to physical water and a natural application of flowing water.

14:9 – "And the Lord will be king over all the earth. On that day the Lord will be one and his name one.

- 1. Now the Lord is recognized. In this new environment as physical king and spiritual God:
 - a. the Lord will be the king
 - i. He will rule over the whole earth
 - ii. There will be nations with leaders. This makes the Lord more of an emperor over the national kings, or the King of kings.
 - b. Spiritually the Lord will be the only God and his name the only spiritual power

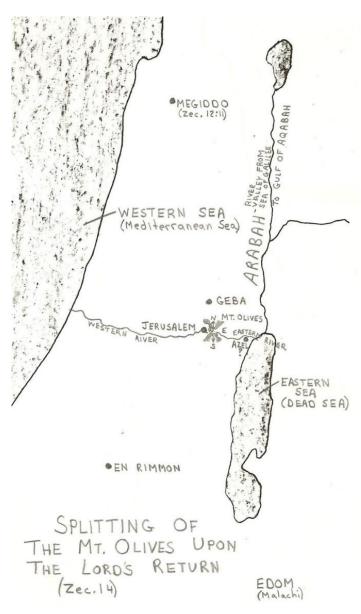
2. Verses:

- a. Psalm 2
- b. Daniel 2:44-45 "And in the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that shall never be destroyed, nor shall the kingdom be left to another people. It shall break in pieces all these kingdoms and bring them to an end, and it shall stand forever, just as you saw that a stone was cut from a mountain by no human hand, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold. A great God has made known to the king what shall be after this. The dream is certain, and its interpretation sure."
- c. Daniel 7:27 "And the kingdom and the dominion and the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High; his kingdom shall be an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.
- d. Matthew 6:9-10 "Pray then like this: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

14:10 – "The whole land shall be turned into a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem.

But Jerusalem shall remain aloft on its site from the Gate of Benjamin to the place of the former gate, to the Corner Gate, and from the Tower of Hananel to the king's winepresses.

- 1. The hills, mountains, valleys around Jerusalem will become level
- 2. Jerusalem will be elevated in response to the earthquake:
 - a. Isaiah 2:2 and Micah 4:1-3 "It shall come to pass in the latter days that the mountain of the house of the Lord shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be lifted up above the hills; and all the nations shall flow to it,
 - b. Ezekiel 40:2-3 "In visions of God he brought me to the land of Israel, and set me down on a very high mountain, on which was a structure like a city to the south. When he brought me there, behold, there was a man whose appearance was like bronze, with a linen cord and a measuring reed in his hand. And he was standing in the gateway.
 - c. Revelation 16:17-21 The Seventh Bowl "The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple, from the throne, saying, "It is done!" And there were flashes of lightning, rumblings,



peals of thunder, and a great earthquake such as there had never been since man was on the earth, so great was that earthquake. The great city was split into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell, and God remembered Babylon the great, to make her drain the cup of the wine of the fury of his wrath. And every island fled away, and no mountains were to be found. And great hailstones, about one hundred pounds each, fell from heaven on people; and they cursed God for the plague of the hail, because the plague was so severe."

- 3. Literally describing the physical appearance of Jerusalem. This would be confusing to spiritualize all these features and references to have some hidden meaning.
 - a. "Plain from Geba to Rimmon"
 - i. Geba is six miles north of Jerusalem
 - ii. Rimmon 35 miles southwest of Jerusalem

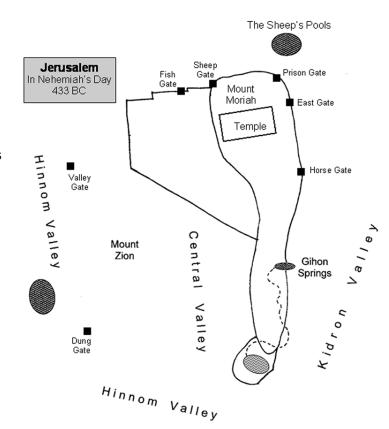


Gibeah and Geba are names of the same city in the territory of Benjamin north of Jerusalem. There are several place names here with the Hebrew "g-b-" which means "hill". Cities such as Gibeon, Geba, Gibeah and Gibeath are close and similar.



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- 4. "the Gate of Benjamin to the place of the former gate, to the Corner Gate, and from the Tower of Hananel to the king's winepresses."
 - Gate of Benjamin Land of Benjamin was north of Jerusalem so this gate would be in the north part of the wall (Similar to today's Damascus Gate.)
 - b. Former Gate or "First Gate" would be the "Old Gate" in Nehemaih 3:6; 12:39
 - c. Corner Gate Mentioned in Jeremiah 31;38 on the north side in the west corner
 - d. Tower of Hananel located on the north east corner overlooking the temple complex. Mentioned in Jeremiah 31:38. It is between the Fish Gate and the Sheep Gate in Nehemiah 12:39. In Herod's day it was incorporated into Fort Antonia.



- e. King's winepress located near the Gihon Springs where the king's gardens (Neh. 3:15) were and the king's pool (Neh. 2:14)
- 14:11 "And it shall be inhabited, for there shall never again be a decree of utter destruction. Jerusalem shall dwell in security.
- 14:12 "And this shall be the plague with which the Lord will strike all the peoples that wage war against Jerusalem: their flesh will rot while they are still standing on their feet, their eyes will rot in their sockets, and their tongues will rot in their mouths.
- 14:13- "And on that day a great panic from the Lord shall fall on them, so that each will seize the hand of another, and the hand of the one will be raised against the hand of the other.
- 14:14 "Even Judah will fight at Jerusalem. And the wealth of all the surrounding nations shall be collected, gold, silver, and garments in great abundance.
- 14:15 "And a plague like this plague shall fall on the horses, the mules, the camels, the donkeys, and whatever beasts may be in those camps.
- 14:16 "Then everyone who survives of all the nations that have come against Jerusalem shall go up year after year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Booths.

- 14:17 "And if any of the families of the earth do not go up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, there will be no rain on them.
- 14:18 "And if the family of Egypt does not go up and present themselves, then on them there shall be no rain; there shall be the plague with which the Lord afflicts the nations that do not go up to keep the Feast of Booths.
- 14:19 "This shall be the punishment to Egypt and the punishment to all the nations that do not go up to keep the Feast of Booths.
- 14:20 "And on that day there shall be inscribed on the bells of the horses, "Holy to the Lord." And the pots in the house of the Lord shall be as the bowls before the altar.
- 14:21 "And every pot in Jerusalem and Judah shall be holy to the Lord of hosts, so that all who sacrifice may come and take of them and boil the meat of the sacrifice in them. And there shall no longer be a trader in the house of the Lord of hosts on that day.