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APPLIED FORMAT ZECHARIAH CHAPTER 14

Scripture passage included then commentary underneath each verse King James Version (KJV)

Verse (1) Behold, the day of the LORD cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee.

The book of Zechariah is a very difficult book. It is near future and the great future of God almighty as stated previously (Fee & Stuart, 2002). It is reported that Zechariah Chapters 12 to 14 regard the final Holy War where Jerusalem is encompassed round about, but God's Kingdom (the final Kingdom) gives rise to victory (Fee & Stuart, 2002). It is a mixture that makes it difficult.

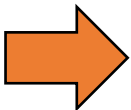
Fee, G. D. & Stuart, D. (2002). *How to read the bible*. Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan

However, it is accentuated that the events of this closing Chapter are explicitly difficult (Henry, 2008). This Verse (1) is Jerusalem going through the refinement process (Henry, 2008).

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Verse (2) For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city.

The near future and the great future of God have been discussed from Zechariah Chapters 1 to 13, and those same discussions are reiterated here in Zechariah Chapter 14 Verse (2).



Primary takeaway amongst all this discussion: **God will preserve a Joint Remnant of United Israel for the eternal state of the "New Jerusalem"**.

Verse (3) Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle.

In verse (2), it was discussed that God starts at the House of the Lord to chastise before coming against the enemy. God does this to refine His people and make them more mature. However, verse (3) is clear that afterwards, God will fight against any Nation who comes up against His people. The difference is, God refines His people and has the right to

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destroy the enemy if they do not repent. A dual battle is what occurs but only one victor, which will always be God's people.

Verse (4) And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.

Three views here, Henry, Scofield, and Merz (with aid).

1. **Henry:** The viewpoint in this relation is God watching over Jerusalem as they are refined (Henry, 2008). The mountain between the Jews and the Gentiles was removed (ceremonial law) making the church Joined without barrier Joint access with God - Jews and Gentiles (Henry, 2008). There will be an avenger of blood to come after the church in wrath, but God almighty will return in Person to set up His Kingdom with the Saints (Henry, 2008).

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2. **Scofield:** It is believed there is an Earthquake verified by Isaiah 29:6 and Revelation 16:18-19 linked with "The Beast" raging war through a Gentile invasion referencing Daniel 7:8 and Revelation 19:20, which did not occur at the 1st coming as none of the events in Zechariah 14 occurred at the 1st coming (Scofield, 1996).

Scofield, C. I. (Ed.). 1996. *The holy bible*. New York, NY: Oxford University Press

3. **Merz (with aid):** **The Revived Roman Empire comes from somewhere. God levies an exact judgment on the Nations using Commerce terms (Ephah) and does literally turn over even to the "Selling" into the enemy hands. God explicitly warns the Nations against National debt. The Beast shall rise from somewhere to take Military, Economic, Political, and Religious Control under a False Peace and the "One World Order". See Zechariah Chapter 5 Verses 6 to 8 This Ministry Website Owners Website. The blessing is in Financial Responsibility.**

Billy McCormack founding member of the Christian Coalition of America pointed towards **Nehemiah 5:3-5 as the primary passage concerning National debt** (Kim, 2011).

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**KIM, SUSANNA. (21 February, 2011). *National Debt as a Biblical Issue: Did Selfishness Lead to Giant Deficit? What would Jesus do about the massive U.S. debt?*
<https://abcnews.go.com/Business/glenn-beck-bible-influencing-evangelicals-thoughts-national-debt/story?id=12964585>**

Merz, Richard Todd (2023). *New Merz ministry website*. <https://merzwebsite.com/>

Verse (5) And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah: and the LORD my God shall come, and all the saints with thee.

Verse (4) and Verse (5) are not easy to fully grasp even for the depth and breadth of scholarly works concerning the verses. However, taken together this Ministry Website has presented the foundation of principles.

The Revived Roman Empire comes from somewhere – See Verse 4 Merz (with aid)

Verse (6) And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark:

In this verse is the uncertainty of right and wrong. This means that what is right is right and what is wrong is wrong. But humanity lives in a bubble with right and wrong causing the light not to be clear and neither the darkness. There is corruption in the church that manifests itself in the world. We learned together in verse (2) that God punishes by beginning with the house of God.

Therefore, the end time events must take place so that the right is rightly uplifted, and the wrong is punished. The Joint reality of sin and God's mercy and grace.

Verse (7) But it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, that at evening time it shall be light.

To build from verse (6), the new heaven and the new earth shall be only the right. God will be present.

Verse (8) And it shall be in that day, that living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder sea: in summer and in winter shall it be.

How critical is this teaching, that where the Scripture is in the Nations shall the rebirthing be made manifest by starting with Jerusalem or the gospel-Jerusalem as it is known (The

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Living Waters = Scripture) (Henry, 2008). The Living Scripture shall be a blessing unto all the nations (Henry, 2008).

Where the Scripture goes so goes the grace of God almighty because some places of the United World will be further away from Jerusalem or the gospel-Jerusalem than some other places to bring together tightly no matter the distance (Henry, 2008).

The United World under the hand of God almighty with Jerusalem or the gospel Jerusalem God's Joint with those of the responsibility of Scripture teachings to work in the summer and winter to bring the blessing because no jurisdiction is out of God's hands (Henry, 2008).

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Verse (9) And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.

God almighty provides the nations and individuals absolute joy in serving the living God because God is Lord of all yet a personal God.

There is 1 God and God has 1 identification and God has 1 name.

Please note, there are many, many instances in Scripture where God renames individuals so that the identification is God's. There is no mistake who owns the individual because the owning is in the God provided renaming. The renaming causes a stirring intentionally by God so that the glory of God is widely known. The renaming is from a changed life over time to draw nearer to the creator and the specific calling.

For depth, this verse accentuates Revelation 11:15 as God takes hold of all hearts that are in His Eternal Kingdom and joins them unto Himself (Henry, 2008).

Revelation 11:15 (King James Version), "And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever."

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Verse (10) All the land shall be turned as a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem: and it shall be lifted up, and inhabited in her place, from Benjamin's gate unto the place of the first gate, unto the corner gate, and from the tower of Hananeel unto the king's winepresses.

Jerusalem will be fixed through the Gospel-Church typified by Judah and Jerusalem, be massive in population, be fruitful, the hills will become plain with the soil full of nutrients, and Jerusalem will be visibly lifted upward (Henry, 2008).

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Verse (11) And men shall dwell in it, and there shall be no more utter destruction; but Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited.

Jerusalem shall be 100% secure. Beware to those that revolt against them because God almighty is going to avenge Jerusalem.

Verse (12) And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and their eyes shall consume away in their holes, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth.

God is clear in Verse (12) that God is going to avenge Jerusalem. Why? Because revolting against Jerusalem is rising up against God. God is clear that Jerusalem shall be 100% secure and that indicates that what God must consume to protect 100% God shall.

Plague, Smite, Consume = God is very clear.

Verse (13) And it shall come to pass in that day, that a great tumult from the LORD shall be among them; and they shall lay hold every-one on the hand of his neighbour, and his hand shall rise up against the hand of his neighbour.

Verse (13) is an extension of Verses (11) to (12). Those that revolt against Jerusalem shall find themselves instead going at each other and tearing each other up and shall fall amongst each other. They supposed that they were superb, but instead tore each other up as the right and proper punishment. While Jerusalem is 100% secure.

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Verse (14) And Judah also shall fight at Jerusalem; and the wealth of all the heathen round about shall be gathered together, gold, and silver, and apparel, in great abundance.

For further depth, God starts at the House of God, so Judah and Jerusalem did war (Henry, 2008). However, what came forth was God's true Church (Henry, 2008)

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In Scripture, it is God's custom to gather the Great Abundance of those that revolt against God's calling (in this case Jerusalem) and not only bring punishment but then further takes the Great Abundance and inherits it Himself (Henry, 2008).

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The right in God do customarily inherit the Great Abundance while the wrong in God not only get punished but lose all rights to the Great Abundance. There must be a genuine repentance. Everything belongs to God anyway – He is the creator.

Verse (15) And so shall be the plague of the horse, of the mule, of the camel, and of the ass, and of all the beasts that shall be in these tents, as this plague.

The animal kingdom is in the ride of creation and (although did not sin) has inherited the curse of man in relation to the enemies of Jerusalem in this verse (Henry, 2008). One of the reasons provided why God lifts the animal kingdom is because they are often used wrongly in the hand of humanity as in this case for War (Henry, 2008).

The animal kingdom, as this Ministry Website Owner has contended, and is affirmed will be raised to renewed life through the saved life of humanity specifically referencing Romans 8:21-22 (Henry, 2008).

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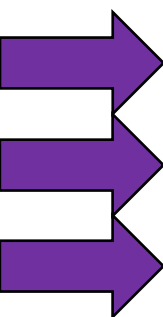
Romans 8:21-22 (King James Version) "Because the creature itself also shall be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now".

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Verse (16) And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.

Please note: God is the God of mercy and grace. The verses of this chapter were on the punishment because God will bring the punishment. However, in this verse there is mercy and grace.



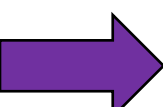
It must be understood that the end times must occur. The end times flushes out the satanic evil and even though many nations may not view themselves as being the “punished” in fact will be the “punished”. Although those in power in the nations may not be the ones to abuse in a satanic evil manner, must understand that the legacy that they leave will be overtaken by satanic evil. An extremely high National debt by any Nation will be used by the satanic evil, the leaders of the nations must understand this reality and be responsible (Refer to Verse 4 concerning National Debt).



The word may is used because not all nations may be saved. What does the verse indicate, it indicates “that every one that is left of all the nations”. Yes, even some remnant of the nations that came up against Jerusalem may be saved. **The opportunity is for a rebirth of the nations that may be saved.**

Some may be converts from the enemy of religion to instead God almighty and in this case is a double mercy and grace to get another opportunity to be with God (Henry, 2008).

Verse (17) And it shall be, that whoso will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain.



Notice, that even though mercy and grace is bestowed upon those from verse (16), some may not continue to worship God in verse (17). The punishment will return. This verse really sets up the principle in verse (18).

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Verse (18) And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not, that have no rain; there shall be the plague, wherewith the LORD will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

God almighty uses Egypt as an illustration of what not to do. Having the punishment of no rain in verse (17) and verse (18) was of no effect upon Egypt because of the plentiful Nile River (Henry, 2008). Ahhhh, that is where God almighty comes into play. God uses Egypt to teach a lesson.

Even with the plenty of Egypt's Nile River where no rain has no effect, God indicates a Plague will take the place of no rain having no effect and do get punished (Henry, 2008).

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Verse (19) This shall be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all nations that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.

Please note: the teaching of verse (18) is carried over into verse (19) unto all the nations. God will deliver punishment one way or another and it will be in the Perfection of His glory – those who feel least dependent on God due to overabundance will be unable to guard against Perfect Justice (Henry, 2008).

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Verse (20) In that day shall there be upon the bells of the horses, HOLINESS UNTO THE LORD; and the pots in the LORD's house shall be like the bowls before the altar.

God indicates that even the furniture of the horses will be sacred to God because Holiness will enter common things (Henry, 2008). Recall from Romans 8:21-22, instead of using horses for War against God, they will be used properly to glorify God as intended being renewed in life for Holy Wars of God (Henry, 2008). Yes, furniture in houses will also be sacred unto God - to include common drinking cups of Priests (Henry, 2008). This type of Holiness will infuse all people of God to include the pots for boiling water (Henry, 2008).

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Verse (21) Yea, every pot in Jerusalem and in Judah shall be holiness unto the LORD of hosts: and all they that sacrifice shall come and take of them, and seethe therein: and in that day there shall be no more the Canaanite in the house of the LORD of hosts.

God accentuates again, that the furniture will be holy to indicate that daily living will be unto the Lord almighty. No misdeeds in the house of the Lord. God always finds a way to glorify Himself.

Nothing unclean, nothing unholy, for all such things shall be separated from God's sight (Henry, 2008). Church discipline/practices should be very strict and to know that The Christ will purge any matter that is not Holy (Henry, 2008). These are not routine casual practices.

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