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“The LORD was very angry with your fathers.
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.”

Zechariah 1:1-6

“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.

“Your fathers, where are they?
And the prophets, do they live forever?
But my words and my statutes,
which I commanded my servants the prophets,
did they not overtake your fathers?”

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“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.”

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Zechariah 1:16-17:

“Therefore, thus says the LORD,
I have returned to Jerusalem with mercy;
my house shall be built in it,
declares the LORD of hosts,
and the measuring line shall be
stretched out over Jerusalem...
The LORD will again comfort Zion
and again choose Jerusalem.”

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Zechariah 2:10, 13:

“Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion,
For behold, I come and dwell in your midst,
declares the LORD...

And many nations shall join themselves
to the LORD in that day,
and shall be my people.”

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Zechariah 3:4:

Behold, I have taken your iniquity away from you,
and I will clothe you in pure vestments...

Behold, I will bring my servant the Branch...
and I will remove the iniquity of the land
in a single day."

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Zechariah 4:6

“This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel.
Not by might, nor by power,
but by my Spirit,
says the LORD of hosts.”

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Zechariah 4:9-10

“The hands of Zerubbabel have laid
the foundation of this house,
his hands shall also complete it.

Then you will know that the LORD of hosts
has sent me to you.”

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“For whoever has despised
the day of small things
shall rejoice.”

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Zechariah 6:11-13

“Take... silver and gold, and make a crown,
and set it on the head of Joshua,
the son of Jehozadak, the high priest.
And say to him, ‘Thus says the LORD of hosts,
“Behold, the man whose name is the Branch:
for he shall branch out from his place,
and he shall build the temple of the LORD.
It is he who shall build the temple of the LORD
and shall bear royal honor,
and shall sit and rule on his throne.
And there shall be a priest
on his throne.”

Zechariah 6:15

“And those who are far off shall come
and help to build the temple of the LORD.
And you shall know that the LORD of hosts
has sent me to you.

“And this shall come to pass,
if you will diligently obey the voice
of the LORD your God.”

THE THEME OF ZECHARIAH

RETURN

REPENT

REBUILD !!!

Zechariah 8:13

“And as you have been a byword
of cursing among the nations,
O house of Judah and house of Israel,
so will I save you, and you shall be a blessing.
Fear not,
but let your hands be strong.”

Zechariah 8:14-15

For thus says the LORD of hosts:

“As I purposed to bring disaster to you
when your fathers provoked me to wrath,
and I did not relent, says the LORD of hosts,
so again have I purposed in these days
to bring good to Jerusalem
and to the house of Judah.

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Question to Ravi Zacharias:

If one lives the life prescribed by Jesus,
meaning that if one lives a life of love,
loving God and loving one another,
must one also subscribe to Christian dogmatic
beliefs and be counted as a “Christian”?
Is it a fundamental necessity that you need
to “believe in Jesus” or can you just
live the good life he prescribes?

Ravi Zacharias' Answer:

“There is a sequence in the Christian faith that is very unique. The sequence is this: Redemption, Righteousness, and Worship. It is not just logical but chronological; you cannot alter that sequence.

In other words, righteousness is never talked about unless one is first redeemed, and worship is never enjoined until one is redeemed and righteous.

“For who shall ascend to the hill of the LORD... but he that has clean hands and a pure heart?”

Ravi Zacharias' Answer, Paraphrasing
Matthew Parris, "As An Atheist, I Truly Believe Africa Needs God

The impact of the missionaries with the message of redemption in and through Jesus Christ seems to be the only thing that has worked to change the hearts of some against the other.

Why can't we just go and preach goodness and morality? Because it is precisely the redemptive aspect that seems indispensable to effecting the needed transformation.

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Zechariah 9:9-11

“Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

“Behold, your king is coming to you;
righteous and having salvation is he,
humble and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

Zechariah 9:9-11

“He shall speak peace to the nations;
his rule shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.
As for you also,
because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free
from the waterless pit.”

Zechariah 12:10

“And I will pour out on the house of David
and the inhabitants of Jerusalem
a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy,
so that, when they look on me,
on him whom they have pierced,
they shall mourn for him,
as one mourns for an only child,
and weep bitterly over him,
as one weeps over a firstborn.”

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Zechariah 8:20-21

“Thus says the LORD of hosts:

Peoples shall yet come, even the inhabitants of many cities. The inhabitants of one city shall go to another, saying,

‘Let us go at once to entreat the favor of the LORD and to seek the LORD of hosts;

I myself am going.’”

“Many peoples and strong nations shall come to seek the LORD of hosts in Jerusalem and to entreat the favor of the LORD.

Thus says the LORD of hosts:
In those days ten men from the nations of every tongue shall take hold of the robe of a Jew, saying, ‘Let us go with you, for we have heard that
God is with you.’”

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