38-Zechariah-04-05-Transcript

1:09Well, greetings brethren and welcome to another Wednesday night Bible study.

1:13We're together, we study the Scriptures line upon line.

1:17God willing.

1:18This evening, I want to cover both chapter four and chapter five.

1:24So far, we've seen four of the visions, the night visions that Zachariah received.

1:31He receives eight in total one after another in a single night.

1:35And they are a unit.

1:36They are a unit altogether, communicating a very clear message for Zechariah to communicate to the returned exiles.

1:45So let me open with a word of prayer.

1:47I'll check the chat to make sure that audio and video are coming through clearly and then God willing will get into Zachariah chapter four and chapter five.

1:56This evening, our loving heavenly Father, we pause as we always do.

2:01We want to thank you just how precious it is for us to have access to your word and to grow in grace and knowledge.

2:11Each week, each Sabbath, each Bible study through fellowship, we just appreciate it.

2:18Father that as the world turns to greater darkness, greater wickedness, confusion and chaos that we are just coming into greater clarity.

2:29We pray father that you'll continue to bless us all.

2:32deepen our understanding, deep in our faith, deep in our conviction and help us father to do your will on earth as it's done in heaven.

2:41We praise you Lord God and thank you and ask your blessing now in Jesus holy name.

2:45Amen.

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2:47Let me check the chat.

2:50See who is here.

2:51I see.

2:52Ian Palmer Tier Rose, Petty Christy, Romine Siefried Dave and Deb JD and Chuck Rick four C G I Burlington.

3:06Not sure who that, which one of us that is, but welcome.

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3:13Welcome from Wyoming.

3:14Very, very good.

3:15OK, so I know who that is.

3:17Pep Square Carlotta Fifth square Pastor Murray, audio and video are good.

3:25Very, very good Bruce Ellis as well.

3:29And Cha Jaws welcome everybody and those of you who haven't checked in but are with us.

3:34Welcome.

3:34Let's get into the study for this evening.

3:38Let me go ahead and share my text.

3:43I'll just bring it up here.

3:44Should have had this set up.

3:45Actually, let me make sure that I can share it.

3:50Well, we'll begin just before I get into Zechariah chapters four and five.

3:57Let's just go back to our foundational prophetic scripture which is in Deuteronomy.

4:03I just find Deuteronomy 30 is just the very clearest outline of the will of God for his

covenant people on earth and that all the prophets are basically amplifying magnifying, adding more color, more texture, more depth to this prophetic outline.

4:21Zachariah, no exception.

4:24So let's begin here.

4:25Hopefully, you're seeing my screen and Deuteronomy 30.

4:28We'll just read the, the 1st 10 verses.

4:30This is the fundamental prophetic outline after he reads to them the blessings and the cursing of following the covenant or breaking it.

4:42He covers all the terms and conditions.

4:44Then he says this, it shall come to pass.

4:47This is a prophetic word.

4:48Moses is looking into the future and he says, and it shall come to pass when all these things have come upon you.

4:56So, Deron 28 and 29 the first part of 28 if you obey here are the blessings you'll enjoy.

5:05Then the back half of 28 and all of 29 basically say, if you disobey here are the curses, you will incur and it's a, it's an if, then construct meaning in some ways, it's, it's, it's hypothetical. 5:20It's not that it's going to happen.

5:22It's if, if, if, if you do this, this will happen.

5:25If you do this, this will happen.

5:26But Moses comes along and says, all of it's gonna happen, all of it.

5:30So it's not hypothetical at all.

5:32Absolutely everything is gonna happen, both the good and the bad.

5:35So it shall come to pass when all these things have come upon you, the blessing and the curse which I've set before you.

5:42That what we just saw or what he just presented in 28 and 29.

5:47And you shall call them to mind among all the nations where the Lord, your God has driven you.

5:51So Moses saying, yeah, you're going into the promised land, you know what you're gonna be scattered.

5:55It's not gonna last, it's not gonna end well and you shall.

5:59So, so it's not gonna end well in the short term, but in the long term, he says it will end well.

6:04Why?

6:05Because God is a God of covenant and you cannot get out of the co the covenant is eternal. 6:10And so the curses are actually there to drive you to repentance.

6:17So as a result of triggering the covenant curses, those curses are actually going to drive a remnant of you to your knees to full and deep repentance.

6:31And when that happens, then the eternal covenant will be fully executed.

6:37So He says, you shall return, you shall repent.

6:39You will return to the Lord, your God and you shall obey his voice according to all that I command you this day.

6:46So that's not gonna happen right away.

6:47You've got to go into the pit of despair and incur all of the covenant curses so that you take this seriously.

6:56And when you take it seriously, then God will take you seriously and you will actually obey everything that I, you're not gonna obey it right away, but you're gonna go through the school of hard knocks and you will actually end up obeying this.

7:09You not just you but your Children as well with all your heart and with all your soul. 7:15So the hypocrisy and the halfheartedness will be completely eliminated because of the covenant curses.

7:23The covenant curses are like a washing machine and it's gonna be so intense that it's gonna wash out all of the hypocrisy and the halfheartedness that then the Lord, your God will end your slavery and have compassion on you and will return and gather you from all the nation.

7:41So this is very saying very clearly that people are going to be enslaved and scattered and only God can bring it to an end, that the nations are gonna have so much power over them that it's only God that can end it.

7:55And this again is very important for us to understand God's faithfulness.

7:59He has not turned his back on it.

8:01They, they turned his back, their back on Him.

8:03He has not turned his back on them.

8:07And so he will, when, when they fully repent, which also implies there will be educators, there will be preachers, there will be teachers of the true covenant of the true gospel.

8:19And they're gonna hear the words of Moses in the end time to enable them to repent.

8:24And when they fully repent, only God can help them, nobody else that then the Lord, your God will end your captivity and have compassion upon you and will return and gather you from all the nations.

8:38And we talked about this word shoof in an earlier chapter of Zechariah.

8:42If you turn to Him, he'll turn to you.

8:45But if you turn away from Him, he'll turn away from you.

8:48So he'll gather you from all the nations where the Lord, your God has scattered you.

8:52If any of yours be driven out unto the utmost parts of heaven because of He's a faithful covenant God from there, will the Lord your God gather you and from there, will he fetch you? 9:05So traditional Christianity cannot read this passage.

9:09This fundamental passage in Torah.

9:11Traditional Christianity throws this away and basically says, no, God is done with Israel, done with the Jews.

9:17He's replaced the Jews with His, with Christianity with Christians.

9:21And it's no longer about ruling on earth.

9:25It's now about going to heaven.

9:28Well, in ways we're not much better in ways.

9:33Many times you listen to our preaching.

9:35We're basically saying God is done with the Jews.

9:39He's now chosen us Christians faithful in Christ.

9:44We're not going to heaven, we're going to inherit the kingdom.

9:47But there's no place for Jews in our theology that it's just we're the first fruits and then God's gonna save the rest of the world and it's just so wonderful that God is so loving.

9:58But in this preaching, what we're really saying is God is unfaithful to his word.

10:04These are ironclad promises that Moses tells them you're going to be unfaithful, but God is faithful and this covenant that you're bound by cannot go, it cannot go out of existence.

10:18And so He will rescue you when you repent.

10:23And he's so faithful to his promise that even if there are Israelites or Jews that are driven to the utmost parts of heaven, it doesn't matter.

10:33God has their number and from there, he'll gather them and from there will He fetch you and the Lord, your God will bring you into the land which your fathers possessed. 10:44What do we do with this?

10:46This is in black and white, that God will bring you.

10:50That is these people, the, these, these descendants of Jacob who are going into the promised land who are being told it, it might start well, but it's not gonna end well.

11:01And although you will receive the blessings of the covenant, you're also going to receive the curses.

11:07In fact, you're guaranteed to receive the curses and in, in receiving the curses.

11:13When you repent, you will then receive the blessings eternally.

11:18And so this promise that God will bring from the furthest corners of the earth that He'll bring the elect into the land which your fathers possessed.

11:28That's, that's very specific.

11:30So you see their fathers are gonna go in to possess this land and when all of this is resolved, your descendants will come into that very same land, that very same real estate and you shall possess that very same real estate and he will do you good and multiply you above your fathers.

11:52These promises cannot be broken and the Lord, your God will circumcise your heart.

11:59This is we, we know from Paul's preaching, this is spiritual conversion that their hearts will be circumcised.

12:10This is, this is the state we are in now having received the Holy Spirit, our hearts have been circumcised.

12:17Well, these people's hearts, God promises that their hearts will be circumcised, that they will come into the land that was promised to their forefathers.

12:26And God will do good to them in that land.

12:29The Lord, your God will circumcise your heart and the heart of your seed to love the Lord, your God with all your heart and with all your soul, carnal people cannot do this. 12:41So these people have been elevated to a spiritual level that enables them now to love

Jehovah with all their heart and with all their soul that they may live forever under this covenant.

12:55And the Lord, your God will put all these curses upon your enemies.

13:00So again, this is something we can.

13:02This is a promise.

13:03God is going to save these people and all of these curses.

13:07He's gonna take them off his people and put them on their enemies and on them that hate you, which persecuted you and you shall return and obey the voice of the Lord and do all his commandments, which I command you this day.

13:21So somebody has to understand the Torah and guide these people into a full understanding so that they can now observe all of the commandments that Moses taught them.

13:32So this is, this is not going away.

13:34Moses puts it out there and says, yeah, even though you're gonna be unfaithful, I'm putting it out there a day is coming when you will faithfully abide by everything that's in the Torah. 13:45And the Lord, your God will make you plenteous in every work of your hand, in the fruit of your body and in the fruit of your cattle and in the fruit of your land for good, rather than have a soaring economy, such so much abundance for the Lord will again rejoice over you for good as he rejoiced over your fathers.

14:03If you shall hearken to the voice of the Lord, your God to keep his commandments and his statutes, which are written in this book of the Law.

14:10And if you turn unto the Lord, your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

14:15So I spent a little bit more time in Deuteronomy.

14:18Usually I just read like three verses out of Deuteronomy 30.

14:21I wanted to read the 10 verses because I just want to really establish the foundational outline of God's prophetic word.

14:31We cannot deviate from this.

14:34All of the prophets basically fill in these 10 verses.

14:38So let's go into these next three visions of Zachariah's eight vision.

14:44So let's now look at vision 56 and seven through the lens of the Torah understanding the covenant relationship.

14:55Not only that God wants to have with his people, but that He does have if they cannot get out of this, whether they're being cursed or being blessed.

15:06It's all according to covenant because God has bound himself to them.

15:10Jehovah has bound himself to them by covenant.

15:13So how dare us come along and try to replace them and say, yeah, God's forgotten all of this.

15:20Now, it's about us.

15:21We have to be very, very careful.

15:23So let's view.

15:24Now, Zachariah for this is his fifth vision, his fifth vision in the night.

15:29So again, remember in a single night, he receives eight visions.

15:33These are the exiles through the support of Persia that have come back into the land of Jerusalem.

15:43And they are trying to re-establish Jerusalem, trying to rebuild the city, trying to rebuild the temple, trying to restore the worship.

15:51And it's a huge task and it's not going well and it's very discouraging and there's a lot of opposition and so it's a, it's a rubber bell now is being raised up.

16:04Oh, sorry.

16:04Zechariah is being raised up to encourage Zuber bell and Joshua and the people to say you will be successful if you rely on the Lord, your God.

16:15So here's another vision in that vein.

16:18So we just have to remember that all eight visions are a unit and they are presented to Zechariah to encourage the people who've returned and who are discouraged by the enormity of the task, by the opposition, by the lack of progress, lack of vision.

16:37Perhaps it just, it's just not, it's like we thought we were gonna do this. 16:41It's not going well.

16:43Zechariah four verse one and the angel that talked with me came again and woke me as a man that is wakened out of his sleep.

16:52So some sometimes prophets get visions while they're sleeping.

16:56Zechariah was sleeping and the angel woke him up to receive this vision.

17:00So he wakes up and needs to look at something and said unto me, what do you see?

17:07And I said, I've looked and behold a candlestick, all of gold.

17:14So I I'm seeing a candlestick of pure gold with a b upon the top of it and is seven lamps.

17:23a menorah seven lamps they're on and seven pipes to the seven lamps which are upon the top thereof.

17:31So he, he sees this vision of this golden candlestick.

17:34There's a bowl on top, there are seven lamps, there are pipes to the seven lamps and two olive trees.

17:41Buy it up on the right side of the ball and upon the left side thereof.

17:47So the olive trees, the olive trees, one on the right, one of the left of the bowl, they're supplying oil into the bowl to light the lamps.

17:58And then there are these pipes that go take the oil to the lamps.

18:02So the lamps are now burning from the oil, this this non ending supply of oil that is coming from the two trees and, and the, the angels asking him, what do you see? 18:18So he describes what he sees.

18:20He doesn't know what it means yet, but this is what he sees and really what he's seeing here.

18:25The only way I kind of thinking about this is like it's a, it's a spiritual battery or a spiritual generator.

18:33This is where spiritual energy comes from nonstop.

18:37And this is how they they are going to have to ensure the presence of God among them. 18:43So if we look at Exodus 25 with the the building of the Tabernacle, Moses was instructed, you shall make a candlestick of pure gold, of beaten work.

18:53Shall the candlestick be made his shaft and his branches, his bowls, his his knobs and his flowers shall be of the same verse 37 and you shall make the seven lamps thereof and they shall light the lamps thereof that they may give light over against it.

19:10So this is something that's coming from the pattern that was given to Moses when building the Tabernacle.

19:18When Solomon made the temple, he made 10 of these says, and Solomon made all the vessels that pertained unto the house of the Lord, the altar of gold and the t excuse me, the table of gold, whereupon the show bread was and the candlesticks of pure gold.

19:38And he makes 10 of these five on the right side and five on the left before the oracle of the flowers and the lamps and the tongs of gold.

19:46So whether it was the Tabernacle or the temple, the presence of God was signified by these lamps.

19:55These go the golden lamp stand and the seven, the seven lamps and the oil that is lighting the lamps is is ensuring the presence of God among his people.

20:06So this is what Zach Zacharia sees a version of this.

20:10And so I answered and spoke to the angel that talked to me saying, what are these? 20:15My Lord and the angel that talked with me answered and said unto me, don't you know what these are so sort of re really reinforcing the fact that Zechariah doesn't know and maybe building up a little bit of suspense of.

20:29Well, what is it?

20:31I said, no, my Lord, then he answered and spoke unto me saying this is the word of the Lord unto Zerubbabel.

20:39So Zerubbabel is the governor.

20:41Last week.

20:41We were looking at Joshua who was the high priest and then Zerubbabel is the governor at the time rebuilding Jerusalem.

20:50Well, this is the word of the Lord unto Zerubbabel saying not by might nor by power, but by my spirit says, the Lord of hose and that's why I said to me, it's like a, a spiritual battery, a spiritual generator to say this is where the true energy is going to come from.

21:09So Zaruba be is the governor is tasked with this rebuilding project and there's much opposition and he's seeing that he doesn't have the power to withstand this opposition or even really to get the job done.

21:25And the encouragement that is coming from the Lord through Zechariah to Zorobabel is saying, don't look at this from on a human level that this temple that needs to be built in Jerusalem as the spiritual headquarters of the world means everything to God.

21:49And although you're a human being with not much strength, God is behind this God is behind you.

21:56And so don't, don't look at it humanly, don't walk by sight, walk by faith that you are in the will of God and God is gonna give you all the power you need to complete this task.

22:09So this, we sometimes we just jump in and we like this very, very powerful verse, not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit.

22:17And it's beautiful to, that's just a very deep understanding.

22:20But specifically, this has to do with the reconstruction of the temple over which Zaruba be is the governor.

22:30And it means so much to God that Zechariah is to encourage Zobel God is behind this.

22:38And then regarding the opposition through Zechariah, tis Rabel God says, who are you? 22:46Oh great mountain.

22:49And we know that a mountain symbolically represents government.

22:54So what government, what worldly force is out there that can withstand this spiritual energy that God is going to equip Zorobabel and the returned exiles with to build his temple. 23:08Who are you?

23:09Oh Great mountain.

23:11Before the rubber bell, you shall become a plane.

23:14You'll be mowed down, you'll be flattened no matter how great you are.

23:19We're dealing with the God of Israel.

23:21We're dealing with the God of the universe and we're dealing with the restoration of his temple and the restoration of his presence on earth among his people.

23:31So what great power do you think you have to withstand this?

23:34Who are you?

23:35Oh, great mountain before before Zerubbabel, that is the man that God has chosen to restore the temple.

23:42You shall become a plane and he shall bring forth the headstone thereof with shouting, crying, grace, grace unto it.

23:52So this is the guaranteed success that Zoil will have in rebuilding the temple and the acknowledgment of all the people that God's favor is shining upon them as they rebuild the temple.

24:05So that's the fifth vision.

24:09Moreover, the word of the Lord came unto me, saying the hands of Zerubbabel have laid the foundation of this house.

24:16His hands shall also finish it and you shall know that the Lord of hosts has sent me unto you.

24:23And, and I should say as well that both Zerubbabel and Joshua are symbolic of Christ. 24:31Joshua is symbolic of Christ in his role as the high priest, Zerubbabel is symbolic of Christ in his role as the king.

24:40And so Christ is coming out of the Melchizedek and order as a king priest.

24:44But both Joshua and Zaro are symbols of this.

24:49And so ultimately, it is Christ's hand that will finish it and you shall know that the Lord of hosts has sent me unto you for who has despised the day of small things.

25:03So the enemies are looking at this saying this is ridiculous.

25:06Look at you guys have done nothing.

25:08There's no way you, you'll, you'll finish this job.

25:12And God has a way, especially when working through humans of starting very small, proving the faithfulness in small things and then scaling from there.

25:24And so, although the r will start is very small, God is saying, don't let them have contempt for your work who's despised the day of small things for, they shall rejoice and shall see the plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel with those seven.

25:44So a plummet line is when you're in a construction project, especially anciently, they would have a, a cord with a weight at the bottom and when they hold it because of gravity, the weight would be centered and they would get a perfect vertical line.

26:04And that way they could measure if a wall is set properly and fully upright and vertical. 26:11And so a plumb line is a really key tool in a construction project to make sure that the building is going to be built in a fully sound with a fully sound structure.

26:22And so the people with the rubber be are going to rejoice when they see him beginning with this, this plummet, they're going to know God is with them and the temple will be restored. 26:36And then he says they are the eyes of the Lord, these seven which run to and fro through the whole earth.

26:44And so this, we, we know the eyes of the Lord, these angels who are covering the whole earth and reporting back to him, reporting back to God to say exactly what's happening or say the whole land.

26:58And that way his judgment is fully informed and his judgment is just because he's fully informed.

27:07And so we're seeing here that Zobel has a God that is fully informed and he's a God of judgment verse 11.

27:15Then I answered and said unto him, what are these two olive trees up on the right side of the candlestick and upon the left side thereof.

27:27And I answered again and said unto him, what be these two olive branches which through the two golden pipes empty the golden oil out of themselves.

27:37And so the oil is going into the bowl and then the bowl is feeding the lamps.

27:41So, so he's saying, what are these?

27:44And he answered me and said, don't you know what these be?

27:48And I said, no, my Lord, then he said, these are the two anointed ones that stand by the Lord of the whole earth.

27:57So these are clearly two powerful angels, let's say that are servants of God and they're standing before the Lord.

28:07We see this in revelation and the revelation is in the archive.

28:11Let's just refresh this in revelation 11 and verse three, I will give power unto my two witnesses and they shall prophesy 1000 203 score days clothed in sackcloth.

28:24These are the two olive trees and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth.

28:30So, so these powerful beings that look like angels, but these are his two witnesses.

28:35He says these are the two olive trees and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth.

28:43And if any man will hurt them, fire proceeds out of their mouth and devours their enemies.

28:49And if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.

28:53These have power to shut heaven that it rain not in the days of their prophecy and have power over waters to turn them to blood and to smite the earth with all plagues as often as they will.

29:05So this is Zechariah four, which is the fifth vision and it ends then with him inquiring about the two olive trees and, and learning that the seven eyes of God are all over the land that God is fully informed.

29:22And we see that these two olive trees are actually the two witnesses and they have full authority to exercise judgment upon the earth because they represent God.

29:33Let's now go to the sixth vision.

29:37six and seven are in this very short chapter chapter five.

29:43And so we'll come to the sixth vision now and again, I just want to really make the point. 29:50All eight visions are there to encourage the people, the returning exiles that God is, in fact with them as long as they're faithful. 30:01And, and the language of these visions, just as we saw with the two olive trees actually points to the end time that in a sense, we could see the return of the exiles as a test run as a, as a trial run.

30:15But because the people were not fully faithful that it wasn't fully fulfilled, but the covenant promises remain standing.

30:25And so Christ is going to come at the end time and, and these visions will be fully realized, God is a God of covenant.

30:32He's a God of faithfulness, Zachariah five in verse one.

30:37Then I turned and lifted up my eyes and looked and behold a flying roll or flying scrawl. 30:46And he said unto me, what do you see?

30:48And I answered, I see a flying scroll and the length thereof is 20 cubits.

30:56So 10 cubits would be about 15 ft.

30:59So 20 about 30 ft sorry for those of you who are metric in Canada, we should be metric.

31:05But I think in feet, the length thereof is, is about 30 ft.

31:09It's, is the length of the scroll.

31:11So it's opened and the breadth thereof is about 15 ft or 10 cubits.

31:15So it's 15 ft wide, 30 ft long as it's opened.

31:22This is what he sees, he sees the scroll then said, he, he said to me, he tells him what it is.

31:29This is the curse that goes forth over the face of the whole earth.

31:38And I just wanna stop here.

31:41The complete Jewish Bible does a better job.

31:43In fact, we just look at this of this particular verse verse three.

31:47This is the curse that goes out over the face of all the land.

31:56That's a better interpretation.

31:58The Hebrew word ETZ is better translated as land.

32:03So, you know, people read this English translation and suddenly we're talking about the whole earth and we've lost the plot.

32:12The plot line is telling us God is dealing with his people and he's restoring his relationship with him, his presence among them and he's establishing them as a kingdom of priests over the whole earth.

32:26But he's dealing with them first.

32:27What does Paul say that each in his own order?

32:30Christ the first fruits, then those that are his that is coming each in his own order.

32:35There's an order to this and, and this is something.

32:38I think we get wrong in the church of God where we go from the first fruits being brought into God's family.

32:48And from there, we immediately go to the whole earth and then everybody and we completely override the promises that God has made to Judah and to Israel.

32:58And so this is dealing with the promised land.

33:02Then he said to me, this is the curse that goes forth over the face of the whole land, the holy land, the promised land, the land where God will dwell.

33:15The scroll that you're seeing is the curse that's on the land.

33:20For everyone that steals shall be cut off as on this side according to it and everyone that swears shall be cut off as on that side according to it.

33:31So it's clearly a double sided scroll.

33:33The the the writing, the law is on both sides and one side deals with stealing and the other side deals with swearing.

33:44In other words, one side is dealing with actions, actual activity and the other side is dealing with words, words of deceit, and both are reflecting a corrupt heart.

34:03So anyone that steals or breaks God's law on one side will be cursed and anyone who swears falsely or deceives will be cursed, I will bring it forth, says the Lord of hosts and it shall enter into the house of the thief and into the house of him that swears falsely by my name.

34:28So again, this is not the whole earth, this is not, you know, let's go into China, Africa, Japan, U Ukraine, all over the earth and find out if anybody has been stealing or swearing falsely by the name of Jehovah and let's curse them.

34:47This is dealing with the restoration and the encouragement of the people that God in fact will dwell with them in the promised land.

34:56And if there are any hypocrites still among them in the promised land, playing the, playing the hypocrite, it's just not gonna work out for them.

35:06God is real and God is serious and he's going to establish his presence among his people and his people are going to represent him.

35:15And so this scroll is a purification scroll.

35:18Yes, the temple will be rebuilt.

35:20Yes, God will dwell with his people.

35:23And unfortunately, yes, all hypocrites will be wiped out.

35:27I will bring it forth, says the Lord of hosts and it shall enter into the house of the thief and into the house of Him that swears falsely by my name and it shall remain in the midst of his house and shall destroy it with the timber thereof and the stones thereof.

35:43There's no playing hypocrite with God.

35:47They, they will be found out.

35:49They, they may be able to fool men.

35:50They won't fool God.

35:53The law in Leviticus six has found out which was lost and lies concerning it and swears falsely in any of all these that a man does sinning there in so very clearly, there's a law concerning swearing falsely in Exodus 2015.

36:09There's a law concerning theft.

36:11And so this scroll has this covenant law on one side and on the other.

36:17And if somebody is breaking presumptuously, breaking these laws, God will find them out.

36:23That's what he's telling Zachariah verse five.

36:28Then the angel that talked with me went forth.

36:31So that, that was the sixth vision.

36:35OK?

36:35So we had the fifth vision with the candlestick.

36:38We have the sixth vision.

36:41This flying scroll which is a curse covering the whole land, which is a purification process.

36:49The first the the sixth vision, the fifth vision is a an a source of energy.

36:55What, what is the spiritual source of energy for the people with, with people with Z Bell, the, the impure, the hypocrites will be wiped out.

37:06And now we come to this very strange seventh vision beginning in verse five.

37:13Then the angel that talked with me went forth and said, unto me, lift up now your eyes and see what is this that goes forth.

37:25And I said, what is it?

37:28And he said, this is an EFA that goes forth.

37:32It's a, it's a measure, this is what they would use to measure a grain.

37:36And he said, moreover, this is their resemblance through all the land.

37:42Again, the land.

37:45So there's something that Zechariah is seeing and the angel is saying to him, what you're seeing is actually everywhere in the land.

37:56This is, this is what it, this is what it really is.

37:59So if you were to look at the land through a through spiritual lens, you would see that they're all the same.

38:09And behold, there was lifted up a talent of lead and this is a woman that sits in the midst of the EFA.

38:21And he said, this is wickedness.

38:25This is, this is so deep and so profound that, that the, the sin has been measured and it's contained now.

38:35And the source of this sin is this woman that is sitting in the E A that, that ultimately, all of the sin comes down to this woman.

38:48And he says, this is wickedness.

38:51So all of the wickedness in the land, this is the source and he cast it into the midst of the EFA that is the woman and he cast the weight of lead upon the mouth thereof as to trap the woman that she cannot get out.

39:10And it's interesting that he uses lead.

39:14Why would he use lead to do?

39:16Of course, it's heavy.

39:17So there's no way she can lift it.

39:19But why let look at numbers 31 and verse 22 only the gold and the silver, the brass, the iron, the tin, and the lead, everything that may abide the fire.

39:33You shall make it go through the fire and it shall be clean.

39:37Nevertheless, it shall be purified with the water of separation and all that abide, not the fire you shall make, go through the water.

39:45So there are some materials that cannot withstand fire.

39:50And so they're gonna be purified with water but gold, silver, brass, iron, tin, and lead, they can withstand fire.

39:57So they can be purified with fire.

40:01And so this source of sin is being trapped in this efaw and covered with lead, a lead lead so that all of the sin is now contained and it can't get out and the rest of the land then can be pure God is purifying the land and he's getting to the source of the sin and he's about to remove it from the land.

40:30Verse nine, then I lifted up my eyes and looked and behold.

40:36There came out two women and the wind was in their wings.

40:40So they're flying towards this EFA and they had wings like the wings of a stork and they lifted up the ephah between the heaven and the earth.

40:51So they've been sent to retrieve this IA from the land from the promised land.

40:56And so now it's airborne and, and she's secure inside the EFA.

41:05She's taking the wickedness out of the land.

41:12And this, I just want to read Deuteronomy 28 the, the, the one of the terms and conditions of the covenant relationship in Deuteronomy 28 and 30 se 1st 47 because you serve not the Lord, your God with joyfulness and with gladness of heart, for abundance of all things.

41:30Therefore, you shall serve your enemies, which the Lord, your God shall send against you in hunger and in thirst and in nakedness and in want of all things.

41:39And he shall put a yoke of iron upon your neck until he has destroyed you.

41:44And the Lord shall bring a nation against you from far from the end of the earth.

41:49As swift as the eagle flies, a nation whose tongue you shall not understand.

41:56So these nations are gonna fly in and take the people captive and fly out and take the people with them.

42:04And this is almost like what Zechariah's vision is like a reversal now, instead of the people being wicked and being taken out on, on a sense of say, eagles wings like the with like an eagle flies, the people are going to be restored in the land and the wickedness will be taken out.

42:21This is a nation of fierce countenance which you shall not regard the per, which shall not regard the person of the old nor sh show favor to the young.

42:29This is ruthlessness, this is wickedness and, and the source of this wickedness that the people of God have brought upon themselves is this woman.

42:39She's the source of this and she's now taken out of the land and the people are being purified.

42:46Then said I to the angel that talked with me.

42:49Where are they taking the Aoife?

42:51Like, OK, they're taking, they, they've locked her in and they're taking her away.

42:56But where are they taking her?

42:59And he said to me to build it a house or a temple to build it a temple in the land of Shin.

43:07It doesn't belong in the promised land.

43:10All of this wickedness that is spread all over the land.

43:13It doesn't belong in God's holy land.

43:16So now that God is going to restore His presence in the holy land, the land has to be purified.

43:22The people have to be purified and the source of wickedness must be ejected and taken to where it belongs where it began.

43:30It's going back to its roots to build a temple, to build a temple or a house of worship in the land of Sinar and it shall be established and sat there upon her own base.

43:46Her foundation is there.

43:48That's where she belongs.

43:50She doesn't belong in the promised land.

43:52And so let's take this wickedness and put it back where it all began.

43:58Sinar is Babylon.

44:03It's what we would call today.

44:04Iraq, the land of Iraq.

44:06It's in the Middle East and this is the source, the scripture is telling us this is the source of all wickedness, the land of Babylon and it's going back there.

44:18So there's going to be a real separation between the land of promise and the land of wickedness and the source of truth and the source of wickedness in Genesis 1010, the beginning of his kingdom was Babel Ere Accad Kalna in the land of Shin.

44:39So we see how Nimrod was establishing himself and the land of Shin.

44:45That, that's where this all began, all of this false religion and, and con this lust for power and conquest and enslaving people.

44:56It began in the land of Shin in Genesis 11 and verse two, it came to pass as they journeyed from the east.

45:02They found a plain in the land of Sh and they dwelt there and that's where the Tower of Babel was erected.

45:09And they were all unified in this anti-christ project which God had to stop and separate them.

45:18And they all took that philosophy and founded all these different nations and, and today, all of these different nations and their worship systems.

45:28They were all in Arabia and they had 360 different gods that they worshiped in Arabia. 45:35And, and once one month a year, they would all agree not to fight so that they could all worship the different gods and all of those gods.

45:45When Muhammad came along, he consolidated all of them into the chief God, the moon God, which is Satan, which they call Allah.

45:55So the religion of Islam consolidates and represents these ancient mystery religions.

46:02They're all represented and all of their different practices, whether it's circling the Kaaba or kissing the Black stone, the rape and the, the murder and the conquest.

46:13All of the ideologies are consolidated in this and it's going back to Babylon in Iraq where it all began here in Isaiah 11 and verse 11.

46:27And it shall come to pass in that day that the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to recover the remnant of his people, which shall be left.

46:36So this is exactly what Moses said.

46:38Wherever you are, he's gonna gather you from there.

46:41Well, Isaiah saw it as well.

46:43He's gonna whoever is left and who repents and responds to the gospel, they'll be wherever he he finds them, which are left from Assyria, from Egypt, from Paros, from Kush, from Elam and from Shiner.

46:58So we we can't see the future, but based on these scriptures, the power of the land of China is going to be restored and, and Babylon is a central focal point is going to be restored and it's going to be a contest or to, to the world.

47:21It's gonna appear as a contest, but it's no contest really between Jerusalem and Babylon. 47:26That's fundament.

47:27It all started in Babylon.

47:28It's gonna go back to Babylon and, and people have to decide, worship the beast of Babylon or worship Jehovah and accept Jehovah's will and from the islands of the sea.

47:42So these are the three visions that we covered tonight in, in chapter four one vis the fifth vision in chapter four and then six and seven in chapter five.

48:02And then we have one more vision which God willing will cover next week.

48:06And then let's just kind of look at all eight visions together so that we don't get distracted. 48:11We can't take one vision and say, oh, it means this all eight visions are a unit and they have to agree together to what the point of the message is.

48:24And so sometimes with, with a book like Zechariah, we have to be careful because there are these passages like not by strength nor by might, but by my power says, the Lord, there's these really, really lovely passages that we can take just zip in, take that passage that we like and then apply it to a particular situation.

48:43What we wanna do is we study Zechariah is take the whole scroll and understand the whole message as a unit.

48:51And certainly these eight visions that he received in a single night, we wanna understand them as a unit.

48:57So that is Zechariah chapters four and five.

49:02Let me quickly check and see if there's anything I should respond to.

49:07I will remind you to join us for Sabbath services this coming Saturday at 130 pm.

49:14And I believe our brother deacon Jan will be up for the sermon this Sabbath and very, very good.

49:22I'm seeing good, just some good comments back and forth, but no questions.

49:30Thank you sister Christy.

49:31Thank you, Dave and Deb beautiful God bless all of you and we look forward to you joining us on the Sabbath.

49:40Jesus'.

49:41Lord.

49:42God bless.