



Zechariah

Background

- Zechariah was born in Babylon and returned to Jerusalem with Zerubbabel and 50,000 others. He came from a family of priests and according to Jewish tradition, was part of the Great Synagogue.
- He was a contemporary with Haggai, Zerubbabel, and Joshua the high priest.
- He wrote chapters 1-8 as a young man. Many commentators believe he wrote chapters 9-12 much later. The book is a collection of his accumulated visions and sermons.
- The book of Zechariah is the longest, most Messianic, and most apocalyptic of the Minor Prophets.

Roadmap

1. **The Immediate:**
Rebuilding the Temple
(1-8)
 - A. Temple Visions (1-6)
 - B. Temple Requirements (7-8)
2. **The Ultimate:**
Retribution, Restoration,
and Reign (9-14)
 - A. The Messiah's First Coming: Christ Rejected (9-11)
 - B. The Messiah's Second Coming: Christ Received (12-14)

Landmark

Zechariah called the people to return to God. Escaping the misery of past judgment and experiencing a glorious future required returning to God and rebuilding.

Must See

Christ Is:

1. The Branch (3:8, 6:12)
2. Priest and King (6:13)
3. The Spirit of Grace (12:10)
4. The Fountain (13:1)
5. The Shepherd (13:7)
6. King of all the earth (14:9)
7. The King, the Lord of hosts (14:16)

Takeaway

Future Hope Gives Present Purpose:

1. We need Haggai and Zechariah to see it.
2. We need the Spirit to accomplish it.
3. We need patience to wait for it.