



Series: The Minor Prophets

**Lesson: 48. Zechariah, pt. 4 – The
Ultimate Priesthood**

Passage: Zech. 3

The Eight Visions of Zechariah's Second Prophecy

- 1. The Night Patrol: Israel's judgment is over, and God never forgot about them.**
- 2. The Four Horns: Israel's tormentors will be judged**
- 3. The Measuring Line: Jerusalem will be rebuilt into a multiethnic capital where God will dwell among His people**

• **The Priest's _____ Before God (vv1–5)**

○ The four main people in the vision:

- Zechariah –
- The Angel of YHWH –
- Joshua –
- _____ –

- Satan is trying to prove that Joshua is unfit to stand before the Angel of YHWH.
- The Angel of YHWH's response:
 - _____ Satan (cf. 1:17; 2:12)
 - _____ filthy clothing (cf. Lev. 21–22)
 - _____ with rich garments
- The order of those actions is important!

Main Idea: These actions both reassure Israel that they had a fit representative before God and provide a picture of what *all* believers' salvation looks like.

- The _____ Priesthood (6–10)
 - The Angel of YHWH gives Joshua two conditions and three results:
 - 'Walk in My ways' –
 - 'Perform My services' –
 - The results –

- He reveals that Joshua (and all priests) were actually just symbols of His Servant _____.

*Is. 11:1 – Then a shoot will spring from the stem of Jesse,
And a **branch** from his roots will bear fruit.*

*Jer. 23:5 – “Behold, the days are coming,” declares the Lord,
“When I will raise up for David a righteous **Branch**;
And He will reign as king and act wisely
And do justice and righteousness in the land.*

- The stone refers back to the _____ (cf. Ex. 28).
 - This is a picture of what the Ultimate Priest will wear to represent His people.
- The seven eyes are most likely a reference to the _____ (cf. 4:10).

Rev. 5:6 – And I saw between the throne (with the four living creatures) and the elders a Lamb standing, as if slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God, sent out into all the earth.

- ‘Under his vine and under his fig tree’ is a reference to the Millennial Kingdom (cf. 1 Ki. 4:25; Mic. 4:4).

Main Idea: Joshua being fit to stand before God to represent Israel to atone for sin was only a picture of the ultimate priesthood that would one day actually, effectively remove sin.

What Do We Do with This Text?

1. We pursue holiness now knowing sin will one day be _____.

Blanks: Condition, Satan, Rebukes, Removes, Replaces, Upgraded, the Branch, ephod, Holy Spirit, defeated