Adult and Teen Life Groups Conferencing Guide

SERMON DATE: 10/13/2019
DISCUSSION DATE: 10/20/2019
TEXT: ZECHARIAH CH. 1 – CH. 6

I. SPIRITUAL RENEWAL IS A FRUIT OF GENUINE REPENTANCE.

A. God delights to bless His people with His presence.

- Zechariah 1:1-3

B. God delights to bless genuine repentance.

- Haggai 1:4-6

C. God delights to encourage His people with His promises.

- 2 Peter 1:2-4; Haggai 1:7-6:15.

1. **The First Vision: The Horsemen among the Myrtle Trees, 1:7–17**
2. **The Second Vision: The Four Horns and the Four Craftsmen, 1:18–21**
3. **The Third Vision: The Man with a Measuring Line, 2:1–13**
4. **The Fourth Vision: The Cleansing of the High Priest, 3:1–10**
5. **The Fifth Vision: The Lampstand and the Two Olive Trees, 4:1–14**
6. **The Sixth Vision: The Flying Scroll, 5:1–4**
7. **The Seventh Vision: The Woman in a Basket, 5:5–11**
8. **The Eighth Vision: Four Chariots, 6:1–8**

ASK GOD FOR WISDOM TO APPLY HIS WORD IN OUR DAILY LIVES

What does God want us to desire/value?	What does God want us to know?	What does God want us to do?

1. **Read Habakkuk 3:1-2**. What did Habakkuk want to see revived? How does God makes His glory known to men in our day? What are we praying for when we ask God to send revival? When God has sent revival, where does it typically begin?

2. **Read Zechariah 1:1-3; Jeremiah 4:1; Hosea 6:1.** What does it mean to return to the Lord? What needed to change among this restored remnant? How do we turn away from the Lord so that we need to return?

3. What does God promise to His repentant people? How can we enjoy the presence of God? What does it look like when God's people are enjoying His presence?

4. **Read Zechariah 1:4-6.** What did false repentance look like in Israel? How did they fail to hear from God? What does God ask their fathers and the prophets? Did God keep His promise to judge Israel for their lack of genuine repentance?

5. What are the characteristics of genuine repentance? What is the difference between being sorry and being repent? What took place when those in captivity actually repented?

6. **Read 2 Peter 1:2-4;** Examine Peter's prayer and consider how his prayer should inform our praying for one another? What does Peter tell us about God's promises (i.e. their character)? How do we treat things that are precious to us? Why has God given us His promises? What is their purpose and how does this happen?

7. **Read Zechariah 1:7-17; 18-21.** What promises are highlighted in these two visions? Why does God give them such promises? How does God's promise of future blessing impact our presence circumstances? What promises are precious to you?

8. **Read Zechariah 2:1-13; 3:1-10.** What promises are highlighted in these two visions? Why were they to sing for joy and be glad? When will this take place? Why do we wait to sing and be glad? Can God's promise fail?

9. **Read Zechariah 4:1-14; 5:1-4.** What promises are highlighted in these two visions? Why would Zerubbabel be successful in his rebuilding efforts (4:6)? How can we be successful in the work God has entrusted to our care? What obstacles (mountains) are standing in the way and do we really believe that the Lord is prepared to level them so we might get His work done His way?

10. **Read Zechariah 5:5-11; 6:1-8.** What promises are highlighted in these two visions? When is God going to remove evil from His land? What impact should God's promise to bring just judgment on human rebellion have on the lives of His children?