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The Book of ZECHARIAH
Zech. 13:1-9

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2 And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, *that* I will cut off the names of the idols out of the land, and they shall no more be remembered: and also I will cause the prophets and the unclean spirit to pass out of the land.

3 And it shall come to pass, *that* when any shall yet prophesy, then his father and his mother that begat him shall say unto him, Thou shalt not live; for thou speakest lies in the name of the LORD: and his father and his mother that begat him shall thrust him through when he prophesieth.

4 And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* the prophets shall be ashamed every one of his vision, when he hath prophesied; neither shall they wear a rough garment to deceive:

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5 But he shall say, I *am* no prophet, I *am* an husbandman; for man taught me to keep cattle from my youth.

6 And *one* shall say unto him, What *are* these wounds in thine hands? Then he shall answer, *Those* with which I was wounded *in* the house of my friends.

7 Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, and against the man *that is* my fellow, saith the LORD of hosts: smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered: and I will turn mine hand upon the little ones.

8 And it shall come to pass, *that* in all the land, saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off *and* die; but the third shall be left therein.

9 And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It *is* my people: and they shall say, The LORD *is* my God.

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27 For this *is* my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins.

1 Jn. 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, **we have fellowship one with another**, and **the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.**

Rev. 7:17 For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto **living fountains of waters**: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

Ezek. 36:25 Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you.

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Zech. 13:2a “And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, *that* I will cut off the names of the idols out of the land, and they shall no more be remembered...”

Jer. 23:30 Therefore, **behold, I am against the prophets, saith the LORD**, that steal my words every one from his neighbour.

31 **Behold, I am against the prophets, saith the LORD, that use their tongues, and say, He saith.**

32 **Behold, I am against them that prophesy false dreams, saith the LORD**, and do tell them, and cause my people to err by their lies, and by their lightness; yet I sent them not, nor commanded them: therefore they shall not profit this people at all, saith the LORD.

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Jer. 27:9 Therefore hearken not ye to your prophets, nor to your diviners, nor to your dreamers, nor to your enchanters, nor to your sorcerers, which speak unto you, saying, Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon: 10 For they prophesy a lie unto you, to remove you far from your land; and that I should drive you out, and ye should perish.

Ezek. 13:1-23 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 2 Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel that prophesy, and say thou unto them that prophesy out of their own hearts, Hear ye the word of the LORD;

3 Thus saith the Lord GOD; **Woe unto the foolish prophets, that follow their own spirit, and have seen nothing!**

4 O Israel, thy prophets are like the foxes in the deserts.

5 **Ye have not gone up into the gaps, neither made up the hedge for the house of Israel to stand in the battle in the day of the LORD.**

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6 They have seen vanity and lying divination, saying, The LORD saith: and the LORD hath not sent them: and they have made *others* to hope that they would confirm the word.

7 Have ye not seen a vain vision, and have ye not spoken a lying divination, whereas ye say, The LORD saith *it*; albeit I have not spoken?

8 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye have spoken vanity, and seen lies, therefore, behold, I *am* against you, saith the Lord GOD.

9 And mine hand shall be upon the prophets that see vanity, and that divine lies: they shall not be in the assembly of my people, neither shall they be written in the writing of the house of Israel, neither shall they enter into the land of Israel; and ye shall know that I *am* the Lord GOD.

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10 Because, even because **they have seduced my people, saying, Peace; and there was no peace; and one built up a wall, and, lo, others daubed it with untempered mortar:**

11 Say unto them which daub *it* with untempered *mortar*, that it shall fall: there shall be an overflowing shower; and ye, O great hailstones, shall fall; and a stormy wind shall rend *it*.

12 Lo, when the wall is fallen, shall it not be said unto you, Where *is* the daubing wherewith ye have daubed *it*?

13 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; I will even rend *it* with a stormy wind in my fury; and there shall be an overflowing shower in mine anger, and great hailstones in *my* fury to consume *it*.

14 So **will I break down the wall that ye have daubed with untempered mortar**, and bring it down to the ground, so that the foundation thereof shall be discovered, and it shall fall, and ye shall be consumed in the midst thereof: and **ye shall know that I am the LORD.**

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15 Thus will I accomplish my wrath upon the wall, and upon them that have daubed it with untempered *morter*, and will say unto you, The wall *is* no *more*, neither they that daubed it;

16 *To wit*, the prophets of Israel which prophesy concerning Jerusalem, and which see visions of peace for her, and **there is no peace, saith the Lord GOD.**

Ezek. 14:1 Then came certain of the elders of Israel unto me, and sat before me.

2 And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

3 Son of man, **these men have set up their idols in their heart,** and put the stumblingblock of their iniquity before their face: should I be enquired of at all by them?

4 Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Every man of the house of Israel that **setteth up his idols in his heart,** and putteth the stumblingblock of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to the prophet; I the LORD will answer him that cometh according to the multitude of his idols;

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5 That I may take the house of Israel in their own heart, because they are all estranged from me through their idols.

6 Therefore say unto the house of Israel, **Thus saith the Lord GOD; Repent, and turn yourselves from your idols; and turn away your faces from all your abominations.**

7 For every one of the house of Israel, or of the stranger that sojourneth in Israel, which **separateth himself from me, and setteth up his idols in his heart**, and putteth the stumblingblock of his iniquity before his face, and cometh to a prophet to enquire of him concerning me; **I the LORD will answer him by myself:**

8 And **I will** set my face against that man, and **will** make him a sign and a proverb, and **I will** cut him off from the midst of my people; and **ye shall know that I am the LORD.**

9 And if the prophet be deceived when he hath spoken a thing, I the LORD have deceived that prophet, and I will stretch out my hand upon him, and will destroy him from the midst of my people Israel.

10 And they shall bear the punishment of their iniquity: the punishment of the prophet shall be even as the punishment of him that seeketh *unto him*;

11 That the house of Israel may **go no more astray from me**, neither be polluted any more with all their transgressions; but **that they may be my people, and I may be their God, saith the Lord GOD. ...Major Message**

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(2) No More False Witness, 13:2b-5

(a) Parental Conviction, 13:2b-3

Zech. 13:2b "...and also I will cause the prophets and the unclean spirit to pass out of the land.

3 And it shall come to pass, *that* when any shall yet prophesy, then his father and his mother that begat him shall say unto him, **Thou shalt not live; for thou speakest lies in the name of the LORD**: and his father and his mother that begat him shall thrust him through when he prophesieth.

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Mt. 24:4 And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.

5 For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many. ...

11 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. ...

15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) ...

23 Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here *is* Christ, or there; believe *it* not.

24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if *it were* possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

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2 Thess. 2:2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for **that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first**, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

Jer. 31:34 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

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Heb. 8:10 For this *is* the covenant that **I will make with the house of Israel** after those days, saith the Lord; **I will** put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and **I will** be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:

11 And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest.

12 For **I will** be merciful to their unrighteousness, and **their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.**

13 In that he saith, **A new covenant**, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old *is* ready to vanish away.

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Rev. 20:1 And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.

2 And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,

3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

(b) Personal Confession, 13:4-5

Zech. 13:4 And it shall come to pass **in that day**, *that* the prophets shall be ashamed every one of his vision, when he hath prophesied; neither shall they wear a rough garment to deceive:

5 But he shall say, I *am* no prophet, I *am* an husbandman; for man taught me to keep cattle from my youth.”

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1. Calvary Remembered, 13:6-7

Zech. 13:6 And *one* shall say unto him, What *are* these **wounds in thine hands**? Then he shall answer, *Those* with which **I was wounded in the house of my friends.**

7 Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, and against the man *that is* my fellow, saith the LORD of hosts: smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered: and I will turn mine hand upon the little ones.

a. The Scars of the Shepherd, 13:6

Zech. 13:6 And *one* shall say unto him, What *are* these **wounds in thine hands**? Then he shall answer, *Those* with which **I was wounded in the house of my friends.**

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Zech. 13:6 And *one* shall say unto him, What *are* these **wounds in thine hands**? Then he shall answer, *Those* with which **I was wounded in the house of my friends.**

Parallel Verses

New International Version

If someone asks, 'What are these **wounds on your body?**' they will answer, 'The wounds I was given at the house of my friends.'

New Living Translation

And if someone asks, 'Then what about those **wounds on your chest?**' he will say, 'I was wounded at my friends' house!'

English Standard Version

And if one asks him, 'What are these **wounds on your back?**' he will say, 'The wounds I received in the house of my friends.'

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New American Standard Bible

"And one will say to him, 'What are these **wounds between your arms**?' Then he will say, 'Those with which I was wounded in the house of my friends.'

Holman Christian Standard Bible

If someone asks him: What are these **wounds on your chest**?-- then he will answer: I received the wounds in the house of my friends.

King James Bible

And *one* shall say unto him, What *are* these **wounds in thine hands**? Then he shall answer, *Those* with which I was wounded *in* the house of my friends.

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Jn. 1:11 He came unto his own, and his own received him not.
12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, *even* to them that believe on his name:

Psa. 41:9 Yea, **mine own familiar friend**, in whom I trusted, which did eat of my bread, **hath lifted up *his* heel against me.**

Mt. 26:50 And Jesus said unto him, **Friend**, wherefore art thou come? Then came they, and laid hands on Jesus, and took him.

b. The Scattering of the Sheep, 13:7

Zech. 13:7 Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, and against the man *that is* my fellow, saith the LORD of hosts: smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered: and I will turn mine hand upon the little ones.

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Isa. 53:10 Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him; he hath put *him* to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, he shall see *his* seed, he shall prolong *his* days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

Acts 2:23 Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain:

Mt. 26:31 Then saith Jesus unto them, All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad. ...

56 But all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled. Then all the disciples forsook him, and fled. (Mark 14:27, 50)

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2. Crisis Rementioned, 13:8-9

Zech. 13:8 And it shall come to pass, *that* in all the land, saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off *and* die; but the third shall be left therein.

9 And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It *is* my people: and they shall say, The LORD *is* my God.

a. Those Slain in the Endtimes, 13:8

Zech. 13:8 And it shall come to pass, *that* in all the land, saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off *and* die; but the third shall be left therein.

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b. Those Saved in the Endtimes, 13:9

Zech. 13:9 And I will bring the third part **through the fire**, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It *is* my people: and they shall say, The LORD *is* my God.

Jer. 30:7 Alas! for that day *is* great, so that none *is* like it: it *is* even **the time of Jacob's trouble**; but he shall be saved out of it.

Mal. 3:2 But who may abide the day of his coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for **he is like a refiner's fire**, and like fullers' soap:

3 And he shall sit *as* a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness.

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Conclusion

Joel 2:30 And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.

31 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come.

32 And it shall come to pass, *that* whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.

Mt. 3:11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, **and with fire:**

12 Whose fan *is* in his hand, and **he will thoroughly purge** his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but **he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.**

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