## THE MINISTRY OF ZECHARIAH: HIS EARLY MESSAGES, PART 1 (Zechariah 1:1 – 3:10)

- I. The Call to REPENT (Zech. 1:1-6)
  - A. A warning against following the EXAMPLE of their FATHERS
  - B. A declaration of the divine AUTHORITY of the PROPHETS
  - C. A reminder that former generations have DIED, but God's Word ENDURES
  - D. A reiteration of God's call, "RETURN to ME"
- II. The Visions to ENCOURAGE (Zech. 1:7 6:15)
  - A. The HORSES and the MYRTLE Trees (1:8-17)
    - 1. They had patrolled the EARTH and found it at PEACE
    - 2. God remains JEALOUS for Jerusalem and ANGRY with the nations
    - 3. He will RETURN to Jerusalem and bring PROSPERITY
  - B. The Four HORNS and the CRAFTSMEN (1:18-21)
    - 1. The horns were the NATIONS that had SCATTERED Israel
    - 2. The craftsmen would DESTROY the nations who scattered the Jews
  - C. The Man with the MEASURING Line (2:1-13)
    - 1. It would EXPAND greatly

- 2. The Lord would be a WALL of fire around her and GLORY within
- 3. Messiah would AVENGE them and DWELL with them
- 4. GENTILES will be converted and there will be PEACE
- D. Joshua and the BRANCH (3:1-10)
  - 1. Satan ACCUSES Joshua and is REBUKED by the LORD
  - 2. Their defense is based solely on GRACE
  - 3. God promised to bring MESSIAH to remove iniquity in ONE DAY

(To be continued...)