

# PEACE AND JUSTICE REIGN

## Introduction

Returning home from 70 years of captivity, the Jewish remnant had lost their drive for rebuilding what they once had. Even more so, the presence of the Lord was missing from their community. Join us today as the prophet Zechariah provides a message of restoration to God's people.

## During this lesson, you will:

- **Comprehend** the impact of God's presence in a community
- **Yearn** for God's perpetual presence and the promise of justice it brings
- **Pray** for God's presence to result in a communal sense of justice, prosperity, and unity

## Scripture

Zechariah 8:1-8, 11-17 (KJV)

Devotional Reading:

Zechariah 8:18-23 (KJV)

## A New Day is Coming !

Behold, the former things are come to pass, and new things do I declare: before they spring forth I tell you of them. (Isaiah 42:9, KJV)

## About Today's Lesson...

Have you ever lost motivation for rebuilding seasons of brokenness in your life ? Has a sense of hopelessness become so pervasive that you've taken your eyes off of God and His priorities for your life ? If your answer to these questions is "yes", then you will discover in this lesson that God's passion for His people will turn your lost motivation into new found energy and your hopelessness into hope.

In this lesson, the minor prophet Zechariah conveys God's promise of peace and prosperity to the returned exiles in Jerusalem. Mindful of God's covenanted relationship with the people and God's desire to dwell with them, Zechariah tried to motivate the people to rebuild the Temple so that worship could resume. Additionally, the people would no longer endure God's wrath as their ancestors did. A new day was on the horizon !

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