### Zechariah

## Chapter 6

1Then I turned and raised my eyes and I saw four chariots coming from between two mountains… Mountains that were made out of brass!  
  
 • 2The 1st chariot [that I saw] was pulled by red horses,  
 • The 2nd was pulled by black horses,  
 • 3The 3rd was pulled by white horses, and  
 • The 4th was pulled by horses that were spotted dapple gray.  
  
4So I spoke to the messenger and asked him (this one who was speaking to me):  
  
 ‘What are these, O my Lord?’  
  
5And the messenger that was speaking to me replied:  
  
 ‘These are the four winds of the heavens,  
 And they’ll stand next to the Lord of the earth...  
  
 6‘The black ones will go to the land of the north;  
 The white ones will follow behind them;  
 And the spotted are going to the land of the south.’  
  
7Then the dapple-gray ones left, and they traveled around the whole earth. For he told them:  
  
 ‘Go and travel around the whole earth!’  
  
So then they went and traveled throughout all the lands [of the earth].  
  
8Then he yelled out to me and said:  
  
 ‘Look! The ones that are going to the land of the north  
 Have brought rest to My rage in the north.’  
  
  
9Then the Word [messenger] of Jehovah came to me and said:  
  
 10‘Take [silver and gold] from the rulers,  
 As well as from those who are wealthy,  
 And from those who have greater knowledge!  
 [You’ll find them] in the house of JosiAh (son of ZephaniAh),  
 Who’s just returned from Babylon.  
  
 11‘Then, with the silver and gold, make a crown,  
 And place it upon JoShua’s head  
 (The son of JoZadek, the High Priest).  
 12And tell him that thus says Jehovah:  
  
 ‘{Look!} There’s a male whose name is The Sprout,  
 And he will grow from below  
 To rebuild the Temple of Jehovah.  
  
 13‘Then, he will receive all the greatness he needs  
 To sit and rule from his throne.  
 For there’ll be a Priest on [God’s throne],  
 And there’ll be peace and purpose between [those two roles].’  
  
 14‘This crown will remain [in the Temple]  
 As a reminder to those who showed recognition  
 And favor to the son of ZephaniAh…  
 This will serve as a psalm in the Temple of Jehovah.  
  
 15‘And thereafter, from far-away places, will come  
 Those who’ll rebuild the Temple of [God].  
 Then you’ll know that I had been sent  
 By Jehovah the Almighty.  
 And all who hear this will [wish]  
 That they’d paid closer attention  
 To the voice of Jehovah their God.’