



OLD TESTAMENT • MINOR PROPHETS

Zechariah

Renewal, a humble king, and the hope of God's presence

AUTHORSHIP · Zechariah; later material's composition debated

DATE & CONTEXT · Begins in 520 BC; later sections debated

The big picture

Zechariah encourages a returned community through visions, symbolic actions, and promises of restoration. Rebuilding is joined to calls for justice, mercy, and sincerity. Later chapters speak of a humble king, a pierced figure, and the Lord's reign, passages that shape Christian reflection on Jesus. Its symbolic language rewards patient reading alongside the book's original setting.

Words to carry

"Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the LORD of hosts."

Zechariah 4:6 · KJV · excerpt

Live it

01 Depend on God rather than treating force as your first solution.

02 Practice mercy in a relationship connected to your work.

03 Continue a faithful task even when its progress feels small.

Pause & reflect

Where am I trying to accomplish by pressure what calls for patient faithfulness?

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