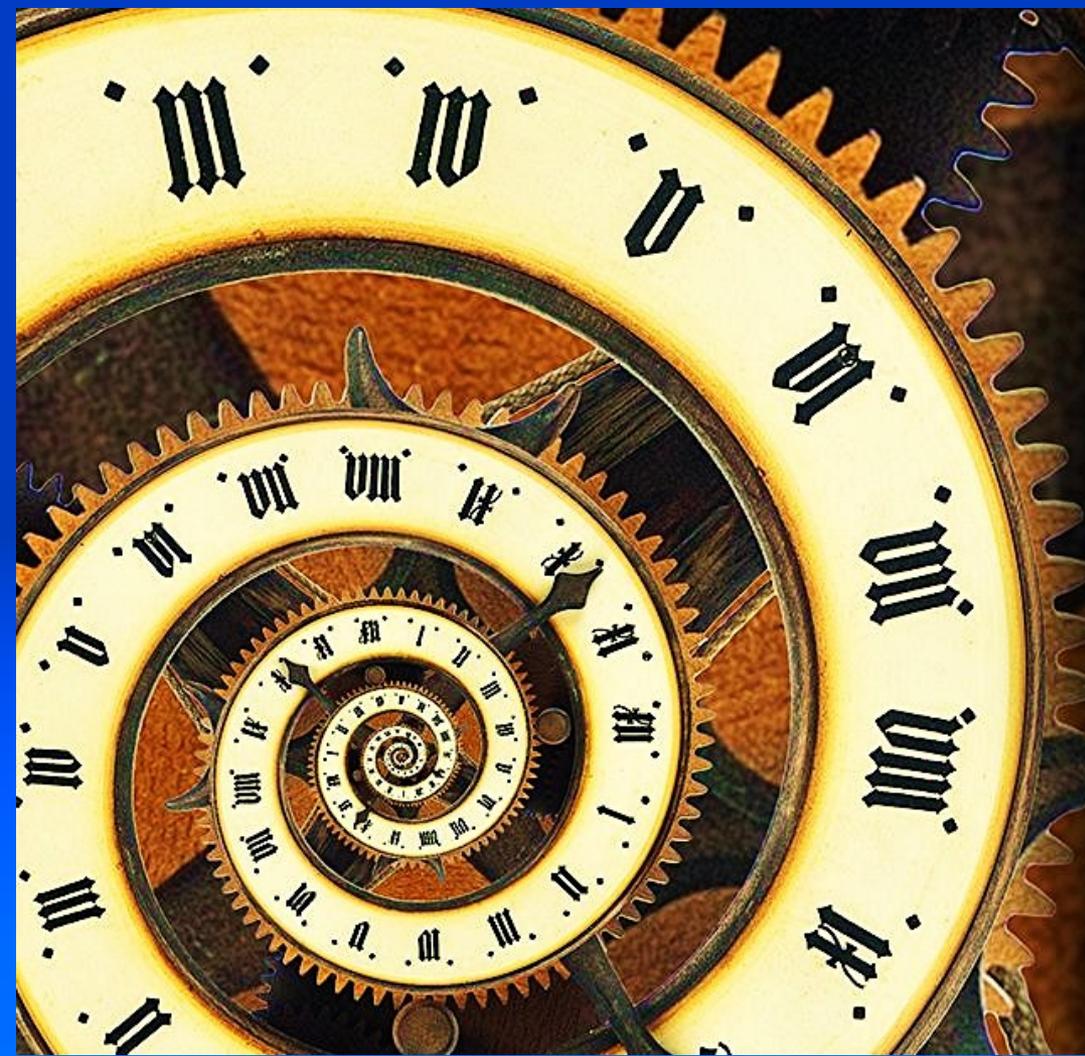


# MULTIPLE FULFILLMENTS OVER TIME

- Chapters 3 & 4 work together to deal with the 2 leaders of the Judean people
- Chapter 3, Joshua portrayed as himself, and symbolically as the office of High Priest, the priesthood, and the people
- Some parts of the prophecy may be for the immediate, others for the future





**COMPLEX  
SYMBOLISM**

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- Zechariah's symbolism involves his historical circumstances + his idioms & expressions
- Vss. 6 & 7  
a warning from God
- The Jews in Babylon had been infected with Mesopotamian culture and beliefs
- Synagogue-based Judaism never existed before Babylon, but it sprouted during their time there

# BREAKING OUT OF THE MOLD



- Core beliefs of the ancient Judeans had been corrupted with paganism and manmade doctrines
- Hebrew Roots is an attempt to revive Scriptural truth and return to purer, more biblical ways
- The remedy: begin again, starting with Genesis
- Vs. 8, a stern command is issued to Joshua and to his colleagues

# THE OMEN OF TZEMACH

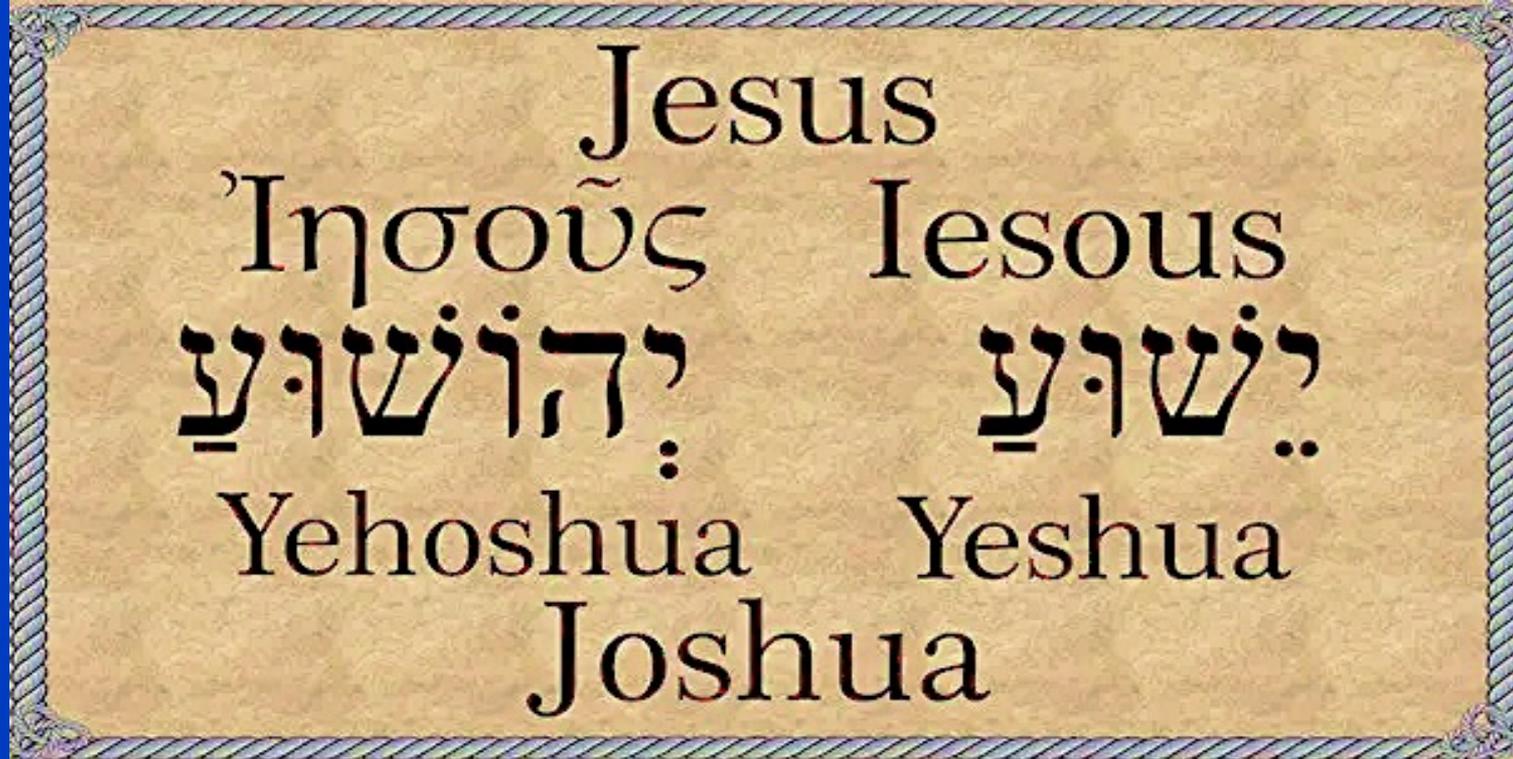
- **Mopet** = signs, omens, or portents of good or evil
- **Tzemach (semah)** = agricultural term meaning shoot, branch, new growth
- Used as a metaphor to prophesy about a future king
- Same term in Isaiah 4, Jeremiah 23 & 33
- How might Zechariah have understood this term in his prophecy?



# THE HOLY ROMERICAN UNION



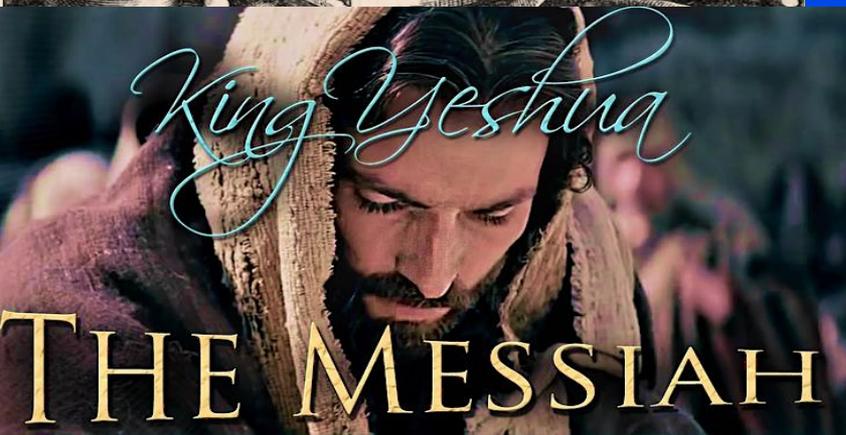
- Judeans returned home to a new set of realities
- A Temple without an Israelite King seemed weird and unsettling to the returned Jews
- An analogy: The Catholic Church rescues America from captivity, but installs a Bishop...not a President
- Would we think God was doing something FOR us or was it AGAINST us ? That was the Judeans dilemma



- It is the Prophetic oracle that is the energy to begin the actual movement of a prophecy towards fulfillment
- The biggest problem in understanding/not recognizing a fulfillment is not taking the prophecy literally enough
- The High Priest in Zechariah's time (Joshua) is exactly the same name as the New Testament Yeshua (Jesus)

# WHAT IS THE STONE?

- Zech. 3:9
- Bible academics fall onto one of 3 paths about the stone:
  - 1) It is speaking of stones on the High Priest garment
  - 2) A ceremonial stone used in rebuilding the Temple
  - 3) The Messiah or the Messianic Kingdom
- The stone will have 7 eyes
- Zech. 4:7 also speaks of a capstone (same word, *eben*)

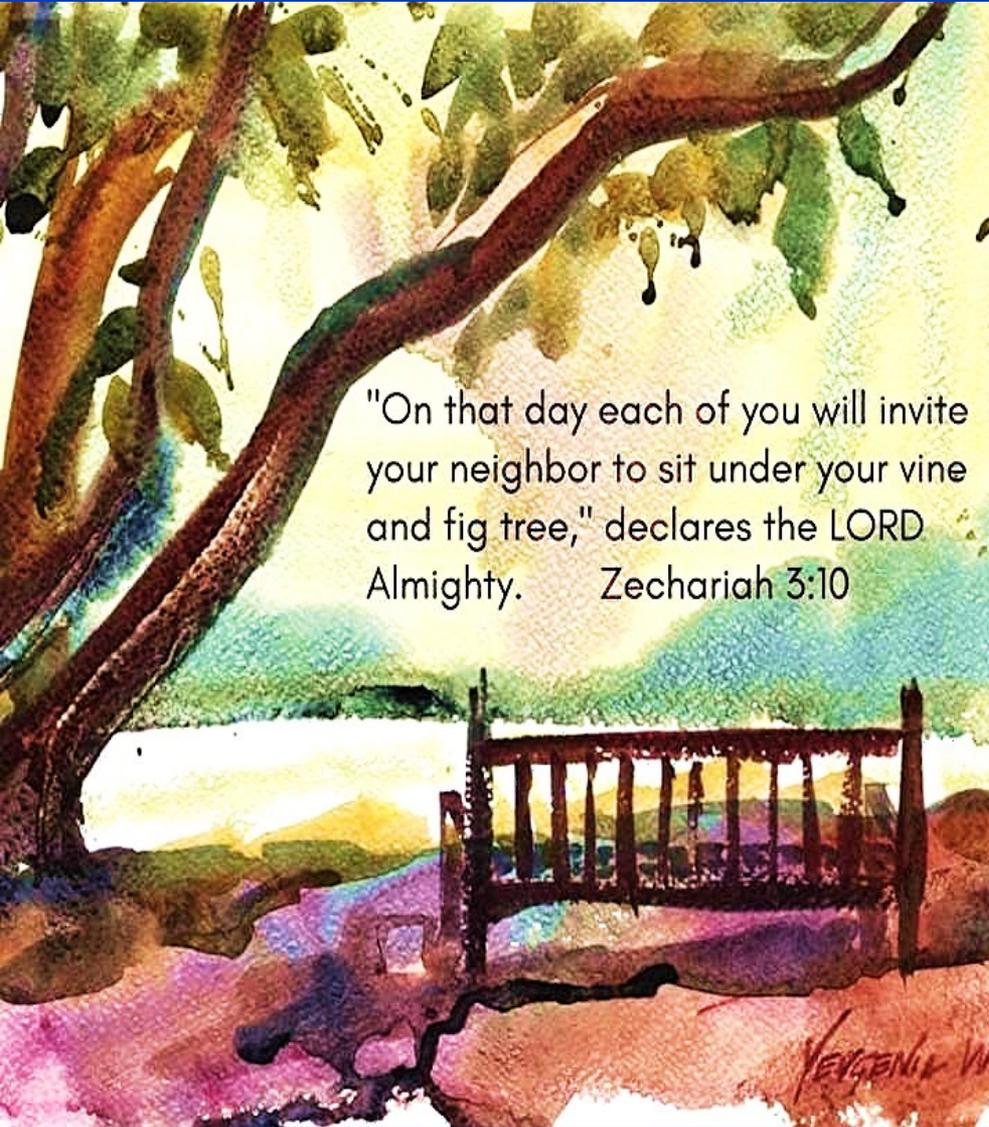


# THE STONE WITH 7 EYES

- Each scholar tends to select one or the other of all choices of meaning, as the ONLY meaning
- Rather, if there are 3 fulfillments then the symbols can point to 3 different meanings
- 1<sup>st</sup>: Joshua's garment
- 2<sup>nd</sup>: completion of Temple
- 3<sup>rd</sup>: 1<sup>st</sup> coming of Yeshua
- 4<sup>th</sup>: return of Yeshua
- Each of these takes away guilt in its own way



# ***“When that time comes...”***

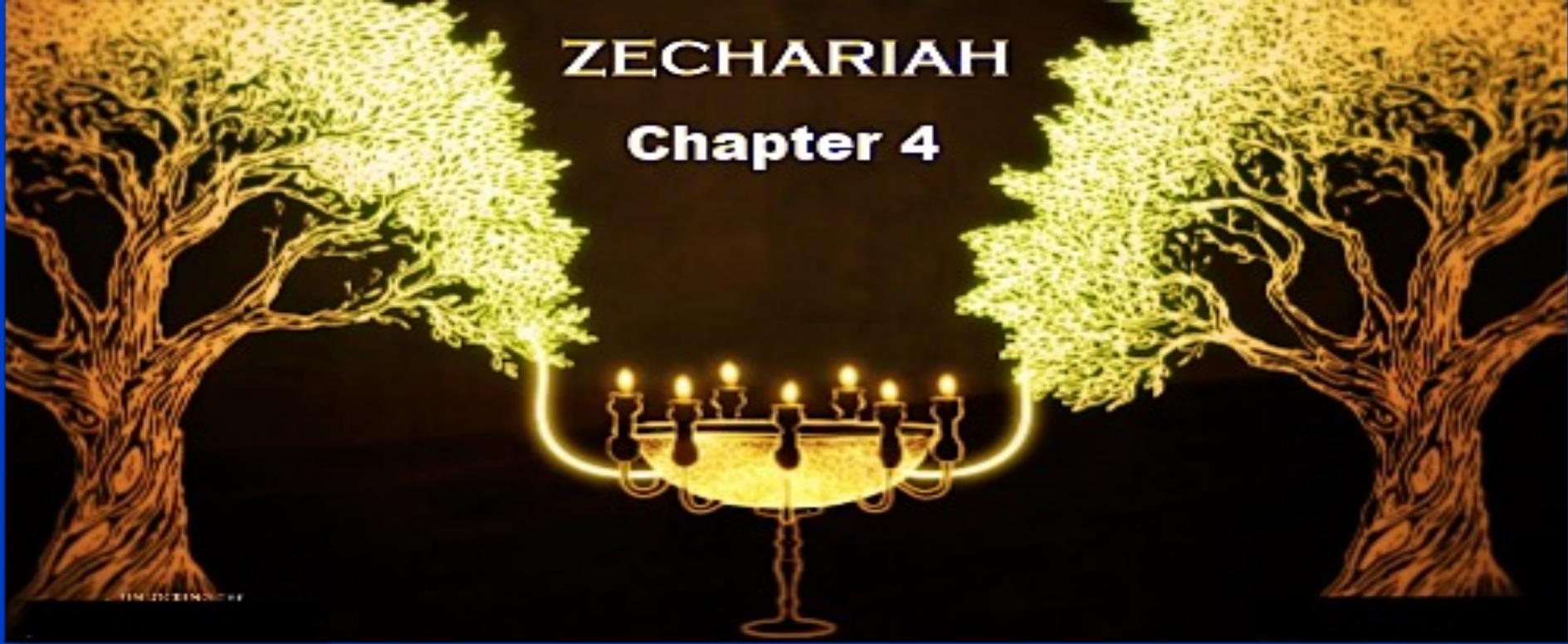


"On that day each of you will invite your neighbor to sit under your vine and fig tree," declares the LORD Almighty. Zechariah 3:10

- Literal = In that Day
- That phrase usually refers to the End Times
- In Zechariah's time, this was about agriculture again producing an abundance
- This abundance had been held back by God because of the people not completing the Temple
- This will be fulfilled soon after it was pronounced, then again in the End Times

# ZECHARIAH

## Chapter 4



- This visual symbol makes no sense to Zechariah
- Interpreting Angel reappears to explain it, and to prepare him to delve deeply into its meaning
- Zechariah is aroused to a higher state of awareness
- This 5<sup>th</sup> vision has to do with Zerubbabel
- This is the Temple menorah, in some form