

Zechariah 3

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The Vision of Joshua the High Priest

¹ And he shewed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to resist him.

² And the LORD said unto Satan, The LORD rebuke thee, O Satan; even the LORD that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: is not this a brand plucked out of the fire?

³ Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the angel.

⁴ And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.

⁵ And I said, Let them set a fair mitre upon his head. So they set a fair mitre upon his head, and clothed him with garments. And the angel of the LORD stood by.

⁶ And the angel of the LORD protested unto Joshua, saying,

⁷ Thus saith the LORD of hosts; If thou wilt walk in my ways, and if thou wilt keep my charge, then thou shalt also judge my house, and shalt also keep my courts, and I will give thee places to walk among these that stand by.

⁸ Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, thou, and thy fellows that sit before thee: for they are men wondered at: for, behold, I will bring forth my servant the BRANCH.

⁹ For behold the stone that I have laid before Joshua; upon one stone shall be seven eyes: behold, I will engrave the graving thereof, saith the LORD of hosts, and I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day.

¹⁰ In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, shall ye call every man his neighbour under the vine and under the fig tree.

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Angel — מַלְאָךְ (Mal'akh)

Angel, messenger

The Hebrew **mal'akh** (מַלְאָךְ) means angel or messenger—a heavenly being sent by God. Angels serve as God's messengers, worship Him, and minister to believers (Hebrews 1:14).

Iniquity — אָוֶן (Avon)

Iniquity, guilt, punishment

The Hebrew **avon** (אָוֶן) encompasses iniquity, guilt, and its punishment—the twisted nature of sin. 'The LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all' (Isaiah 53:6), Christ bearing our guilt and penalty.

Lord — יְהוָה / אֲדֹנָי (YHWH / Adonai)

The LORD / Lord

When 'LORD' appears in small capitals, it represents the Tetragrammaton **YHWH** (יהוה), God's personal covenant name meaning 'I AM.' When 'Lord' appears normally, it's **Adonai** (אֲדֹנָי), meaning 'my Lord,' emphasizing sovereignty.

Priest — כֹּהֵן (Kohen)

Priest

The Hebrew **kohen** (כֹּהֵן) denotes a priest—one who mediates between God and people through sacrifices and intercession. Aaron and his descendants served as Israel's priests, foreshadowing Christ the Great High Priest.

CROSS REFERENCES

Zechariah 3:1 **References Lord:** Haggai 1:1; Malachi 3:1; Luke 22:31. **Parallel theme:** Zechariah 3:8; 6:11; Genesis 48:16; 1 Chronicles 21:1; Psalms 109:6; Luke 21:36; 1 Peter 5:8

Zechariah 3:2 **References Lord:** Zechariah 1:17; 2:12; Amos 4:11; Romans 16:20; Jude 1:9. **Parallel theme:** Luke 22:32; John 13:18; Romans 8:33; 1 John 3:8; Jude 1:23

Zechariah 3:3 **Parallel theme:** Ezra 9:15; Isaiah 64:6; Daniel 9:18; Revelation 19:8

Zechariah 3:4

Parallel theme: Zechariah 3:7; Isaiah 61:3; 61:10; Ezekiel 36:25; Luke 15:22; 1 Corinthians 6:11; Revelation 7:14. **Sin:** Isaiah 43:25; Micah 7:18; Hebrews 8:12

Zechariah 3:5 **Parallel theme:** Zechariah 6:11; Exodus 29:6

Zechariah 3:7 **Parallel theme:** Genesis 26:5; Matthew 19:28. **References Lord:** Leviticus 8:35

Zechariah 3:8 **Parallel theme:** Zechariah 6:12; Isaiah 4:2; 11:1; 20:3; 42:1; 52:13; 53:2; 53:11; Jeremiah 23:5; 33:15

Zechariah 3:9

References Lord: Zechariah 4:10; Isaiah 28:16. **Sin:** Jeremiah 31:34; 50:20; 2 Timothy 2:19; Hebrews 7:27. **Parallel theme:** Psalms 118:22; Romans 9:33; 2 Corinthians 1:22; Revelation 5:6

Zechariah 3:10 **Parallel theme:** 1 Kings 4:25. **References Lord:** Micah 4:4

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