Book of Zechariah

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               a. which were in the ravine, 1:8
          3. with red (horses), sorrel (red brown, horses) and white horses behind him (a man). 1:8
      D. 9 Then I (Zechariah) said, "My lord, what are these (horses/rider)?" 1:9
           1. And the angel who was speaking with me said to me, 1:9
          2. "I (the angel) will show you what these (horses/riders) are." 1:9
      E. 10 And the man who was standing among the myrtle trees answered and said, 1:10a
           1. "These (horses/riders) are those whom the Lord has sent to patrol the earth." 1:10b
          2. 11 So they (horses/riders) answered the angel of the Lord 1:11a
               a. who (the angel of the Lord) was standing among the myrtle trees and said, 1:11b
          3. "We (horses/riders) have patrolled the earth, 1:11c
               a. and behold, all the earth is peaceful and quiet." 1:11d
Questions of the Text: Zechariah 1:7-11 The Vision of the Horses and Riders
Immediate Audience: Zechariah
                                                 Intended Audience: Nation of Israel
Immediate Application: Nation of Israel
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Q1: Who was Riding a Red Horse, in 1:8?
                                            A:
Q2: How many Horses were there, in 1:8? See Chart A:
Q3: Who was "speaking with" Zechariah, in 1:9?
Q4: Who will show Zechariah what these (horses/riders) are, in 1:9
Q5: Who <u>actually showed</u> what these (horses/riders) are, in 1:10b?
                                                                     A:
Q6: Who are (horses/riders), in 1:10b? A:
Q7: Who <u>answered</u> Zechariah's Question, in 1:10a?
                                                     A:
Q8: Who <u>answered</u> Zechariah's Question, in 1:10c? A:
                                                            See Chart
Q9: Who did the (horses/riders) <u>answer</u>, in 1:10c?
Q10: Who "was standing among the myrtle trees", in 1:10d? A:
Q11: Who "was standing among the myrtle trees", in 1:8 AND in 1:10?
Q12: Is "the man", the "Red Horse Rider", and also "the angel of the Lord"?
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A:

A Man Riding a Red Horse, was standing among the myrtle trees, Zech 1:8

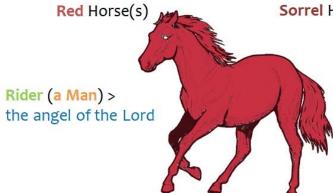


a Man Riding a Red Horse, was <u>standing among</u> the <u>myrtle trees</u>, in the ravine, <u>Zech 1:8</u>
the Man who was <u>standing among</u> the <u>myrtle trees</u>, <u>Zech 1:10</u>
the <u>angel of the Lord</u> was <u>standing among</u> the <u>myrtle trees</u>, <u>Zech 1:11</u>

Horses & Riders, whom The Lord Has Sent to Patrol the Earth, Zech 1:10

Riders [Not said, But probably Angels (4 spirits), like Zech 6:1-7]





A Man Riding a Red Horse

Septuagint (LES) says, 4 Horse Colors, Not 3 "behind him were (1) red and (2) dapple gray and (3) multicolored and (4) white horses"

"We Horses & Riders (Angels = spirits) have patrolled the earth", Zech 1:10

"four spirits(Angels) of heaven", Zech 6:5 "patrol the earth", Zech 6:7

Read Paragraph > Zechariah 1:12-17 The Vision of the Horses and Riders

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- II. the angel of the LORD to the LORD of hosts, How Long will You be Angry, 1:12-17 (Feb 15th) (519BC)
 - A. 12 Then the angel of the LORD (Jesus) said, "O LORD of hosts (the Father), 1:12a
 - 1. how long will You (Father) have no compassion for Jerusalem and the cities of Judah, 1:12b
 - 2. with which You (Father) have been indignant these seventy years?" 1:12C
 - B. 13 The LORD (the Father) answered the angel (of the Lord, Jesus) who was speaking with me 1:13
 - 1. with gracious words, comforting words. 1:13
 - C. 14 So the angel (of the Lord, Jesus) who was speaking with me (Zechariah) said to me, 1:14
 - 1. "Proclaim, saying, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts (the Father), 1:14
 - 2. "I (the Father) am exceedingly jealous for Jerusalem and Zion. 1:14
 - D. 15 "But I (the Father) am very angry with the nations who are at ease; 1:15
 - 1. for (Reason) while I was only a little angry, they (the nations) furthered the disaster." 1:15
 - E. 16 'Therefore (because of that) thus says the LORD (the Father), 1:16
 - 1. "I will (the Father) return to Jerusalem with compassion; 1:16
 - 2. My house (Temple) will be built in it (Jerusalem)," declares the LORD of hosts, 1:16
 - 3. "and a measuring line will be stretched over Jerusalem." '1:16
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Interpretation of: The Vision of the Horses and Riders

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 - "These (horses/riders behind Jesus) are those (Angels) whom the Lord has sent to patrol the earth." 1:10b
 - 2. 11 So they (the Angels on horses behind Jesus) answered the angel of the Lord (Jesus), 1:10c
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Q1: Whom was the conversation between, 1:12? A:
Q2: What was the angel of the LORD's (Jesus') question, in 1:12b?
    A:
The LORD (the Father) answered the angel (of the Lord, Jesus), who was speaking with (Zechariah),
     the angel (of the Lord, Jesus) said to me with gracious words, comforting words. 1:13
Q3: What was LORD of hosts (Father's) answer, as spoken by the angel (Jesus) to Zechariah, in 1:14?
      A:
Q4: What was LORD of hosts (Father's) answer, as spoken by Jesus to Zechariah, in 1:15?
      A:
Q5: Because (Therefore) the Lord was very angry with the nations, what 3 Things will He do, in 1:16?
                                                                              Read Zech 8:3
    1:
                                                                       Read Ezek 40:1-4 & Ezek 43:1-5
    2:
                                                                       Read Ezek 40:3 & Zech 2:1-2
    3
Q6: Because (Therefore) the Lord was very angry with the nations, what 2 More Things will He do, in 1:17?
                                                                       Read Isa 44:26 & Isa 61:4
    4:
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5:

Read Isa 53:1

"the angel of the LORD" in Old Testament

"the angel of the Lord" or "the angel of (Yahweh)" is found 57 times in the Old Testament.

"the angel of God", is found 7 times in the Old Testament.

Is "the angel of the Lord" just a "created spirit being", "an angel" with wings?

OR

Is "the angel of the Lord", "the Lord" Himself (Jesus) as "the pre-incarnate Lord".

Jesus was Not Created

Micah 5:2 700BC

2 "But as for you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, too little to be among the clans of Judah,

From you (Bethlehem) One (person) will go forth for Me to be ruler in Israel.

His (Jesus') goings forth are from long ago, From the days of eternity."

Jude 25

25 to the only **God our Savior**, through **Jesus Christ** our **Lord**, be glory, majesty, dominion and authority, **before all time** and **now** and **forever**. Amen.

1 Peter 1:20

20 For He was foreknown before the foundation of the world,

but has appeared in these last times for the sake of you

2 Timothy 1:9

9 who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works,

but according to **His** own **purpose** and **grace** which was granted **us** in **Christ Jesus from all eternity**,

What is an Angel?

We need to start with the definition of the word "angel".

The word "angel" means "messenger" or "agent" or "sent one"

when applied to the Bible a "messenger from God".

So "the angel of the Lord" would mean the "messenger of the Lord".

Q: So what is a messenger?

Anyone who delivers or official dispatches a message for another, as a matter of obedience or duty.

Concerning Created Angels:

Notice some of the things angels are noted for:

Psalm 103:20

20 Bless the LORD, you His angels, Mighty in strength, who perform His word,

Obeying the voice of His word!

Psalm 91:11

11 For He will give His angels charge concerning you, To guard you in all your ways.

Hebrews 1:14

14 Are they (angels) not all ministering spirits, sent out to render service

for the sake of those who will inherit salvation? (YES)

Concerning "the angel of the Lord", in Genesis 16

Read Genesis 16:7-13

7 Now **the angel of the LORD** found her by a spring of water in the wilderness, by the spring on the way to Shur.

8 He said, "Hagar, Sarai's maid, where have you come from and where are you going?"

And she said, "I am fleeing from the presence of my mistress Sarai."

9 Then the angel of the LORD said to her, "Return to your mistress, and submit yourself to her authority." 10 Moreover, the angel of the LORD said to her,

"I will greatly multiply your descendants so that they will be too many to count."

11 The angel of the LORD said to her further,

"Behold, you are with child, And you will bear a son;

And you shall call his name Ishmael, Because the LORD has given heed to your affliction.

12 "He (Ishmael) will be a wild donkey of a man, His hand will be against everyone,

And everyone's hand will be against him; And he will live to the east of all his (12) brothers."

13 Then she called the name of the LORD who spoke to her, "You are a God who sees"; for she said, "Have I even remained alive here after seeing Him?"

Q: Who will greatly multiply Hagar's descendants, in 16:10? A:

Q: What did Hagar call "the name of the LORD", in 16:13? A:

Concerning "the angel of the Lord", with Abraham, Genesis 22

Read Genesis 22:10-12

10 **Abraham** stretched out **his** hand and took the knife to slay his **son**.

11 But **the angel of the LORD** called to **him** from **heaven** and said, **"Abraham, Abraham!"**And **he** said, "Here I am."

12 **He** (the angel of the LORD) said, "Do not stretch out your hand against **the lad**, and do nothing to **him**; for now I (the angel of the LORD) know that you fear **God**, since you have not withheld **your son**, **your only son**, from **Me** (the angel of the LORD)."

Q: Whom did Abraham Not withhold his son from, "the angel of the Lord" OR "the Lord" Himself?

A:

Notice that the angel of the Lord called from Heaven

and said that **Abraham** had not withheld **his son** from **Him**.

Only God can receive a sacrifice from a man and never is it allowed for a man to sacrifice to an Angel!

Concerning "the angel of the Lord", with Moses, Exodus 3

Listen in these verses to hear who the angel of the Lord is and what name He wants to be called.

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Read Exodus 3:1-6
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1 Now Moses was pasturing the flock of Jethro his father-in-law, the priest of Midian; and he led the flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. (Mt. Sanai)

2 The angel of the LORD appeared to him in a blazing fire from the midst of a bush;

and he looked, and behold, the bush was burning with fire, yet the bush was not consumed.

3 So Moses said, "I must turn aside now and see this marvelous sight, why the **bush** is not **burned up.**"

4 When the LORD saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am."

5 Then **He** (the Lord) said, "Do not come near here; remove **your** sandals from **your** feet, for **the place on which you** are standing is **holy ground**."

6 He (the Lord) said also, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." Then Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

Q: Who "appeared to him (Moses) in a blazing fire from the midst of a bush, in Verse 2?

A:

Q: Who "called to him (Moses) from the midst of the bush", in Verse 4?

A:

Q: Who "said, "Do not come near here; remove your sandals from your feet", in Verse 5?

A:

Q: By what did "He (the Lord) Call Himself, in Verse 6?

A:

Read Exodus 3:13-15

(continuing the **conversation** with **the angel of the LORD**, who appeared to **him** in the **burning Bush**)

13 Then Moses said to God, "Behold, I am going to the sons of Israel, and I will say to them,

'The God of your fathers has sent me to you.'

Now they may say to me, 'What is His name?'

What shall I say to them?"

14 God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM"; and He said,

"Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'"

15 God, furthermore, said to Moses,

"Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel,

'The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.'

This is My name forever, and this is My memorial-name to all generations.

Q: By what name(s) did "God say for Moses to call Him, to the sons of Israel, in Verses 13, 14, 15?

A1: Verse 13

A1: Verse 14

A1: Verse 15

All 8 names for **God** are self-proclaimed by **The LORD** as declared by **"the angel of the Lord"** from the **Burning Bush**, **Exodus 3:2**