

***Good and Comforting Words***  
**Zechariah 1:7-21      11/4/2018**

1. vv. 7-11. Report on the World Situation

a. Timeline (Before Christ)

605 *Babylon conquers parts of Judah. First deportation includes Daniel.*

597 *Babylonians capture Jerusalem. Second deportation includes Ezekiel (40:1).*

586 *Babylonians destroy Jerusalem and the Temple. Third deportation. Babylonian Exile begins. End of 1<sup>st</sup> Temple and monarchy in Judah.*

539 *Persia defeats Babylon. Cyrus decrees Jewish return. (Ezra 1:1-2)*

538 *Zerubbabel Leads First Return. Second Temple Construction Begins.*

**520-518 *Zechariah Prophecies during 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> years of Darius.***

516 *Second Temple Complete (70 Years)*

458 *Ezra departs Babylon for Jerusalem in Second Return*

445 *Nehemiah leads Third Return to complete Jerusalem Wall.*

b. A Distressing Peace

2. v. 12. A Cry for Mercy

3. vv. 13-21. Good and Comforting Words.

a. v. 14-15. Zeal for Justice Toward the Nations

b. vv. 16-21. The Lord's choice of Jerusalem

i. Return to Jerusalem

ii. Building His House in Jerusalem

iii. Surveyor's Line over Jerusalem  
and Cities Spread Out Through Prosperity

iv. Gathering of Judah from the Nations