

Disobedience, Obedience and Fasting

CHARACTERS: Zechariah, Voice of God, All

SCRIPTURE/BASED ON: Zechariah 7 & 8

Setting; Darius, year 4, month 9, day 4

FK reading level: 3.6

ZECHARIAH: Men were sent to me to plead for the Lord's favor.

ALL: Should we mourn and fast in the fifth month as we have done these many years?

VOICE OF GOD: When you fasted and lamented did you really fast for Me?

ZECHARIAH: When you eat and drink, don't you eat and drink simply for yourselves? The Lord of Hosts says this:

VOICE OF GOD: Make fair decisions. Show faithful love and compassion to one another.

ALL: Do not oppress the widow or the fatherless, the foreigner or the poor

VOICE OF GOD: do not plot evil in your hearts against one another.

ZECHARIAH: The Lord of Hosts says this

VOICE OF GOD: I am extremely jealous for Zion. Old men and women will again sit along the streets of Jerusalem

ZECHARIAH: each with a staff in hand because of advanced age.

ALL: The streets of the city will be filled with boys and girls playing in them.

VOICE OF GOD: Though it may seem incredible to the remnant of this people, should it also seem incredible to Me?

ALL: He will save us from the land of the east and the land of the west.

VOICE OF GOD: They will be My people, and I will be their faithful and righteous God.

ZECHARIAH: You will sow in peace

ALL: the vine will yield its fruit, the land will yield its produce, and the skies will yield their dew.

VOICE OF GOD: I will give you all these things as an inheritance.

ALL: Don't be afraid; let your hands be strong.

VOICE OF GOD: These are the things you must do

ALL: Speak truth to one another

ZECHARIAH: Make true and sound decisions within your gates.

ALL: Do not plot evil in your hearts against your neighbor, and do not love perjury

VOICE OF GOD: For I, the Lord hate all this.

ALL: Therefore, love truth and peace.