



THE BIBLE IN VERSE

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ZECHARIAH

CHAPTERS 1 TO 14

Chapter 1

Wonderful things Zechariah now sees:
Horses with rider encamped in the trees;
Glorious things for the nation in store;
Horns of destruction and carpenters four.

Chapter 2

Man with a measuring line does appear.
Prophet is given a message of cheer.
Yet shall Jerusalem prosper and grow.
Yet shall Jehovah His goodness bestow.

Chapter 3

Satan's rebuked by the word of the Lord.
Joshua stands in a garment abhorred.
Then he is robed in a garment approved.
Thus is iniquity fully removed.

Chapter 4

Not by his might but the Spirit of God,
Thus shall Zerubbabel trample the sod.
Two olive branches with oil of great worth,
Specially placed by the Lord of the earth.

Chapter 5

Roll is seen flying the length of the sky;
By it the thief and the swearer shall die.
Ephah of wickedness covered with lead,
Carried by women with wings overhead.

Chapter 6

Chariots come from the brass mountain way,
Red horse and black one and white one and bay.
These are the spirits of heaven sent forth;
Grizzled go south, and the black ones go north.

Chapter 7

People now ask should they fast and refrain.
God gives them answer with bitter disdain.
He had besought them but they had refused.
Then, when they prayed, He had ruthlessly bruised.

Chapter 8

God had been jealous but now is returned;
So shall the tribes when the people have learned.
They had had cursing but now shall be blessed.
Nations shall seek to the Jews to find rest.

Chapter 9

None shall again hurt the land of His choice.
Shout, oh you daughters of Zion; rejoice!
Here comes your King with salvation and peace,
Lowly, and riding the humblest of beasts.

Chapter 10

Then will the Lord send His sunshine and rain,
Not as the idols which comfort in vain.
God is against all the shepherds depraved.
Judah is strengthened and Joseph is saved.

Chapter 11

Woe to the shepherds polluting the land.
Two staves are taken called Beauty and Band.
Then thirty pieces of silver are weighed,
Cast to the potter. The prophet is paid!

Chapter 12

Then shall Jerusalem be as a stone,
Crushing all nations though standing alone.
Then shall they look on the one they did pierce,
Mourning with tears and a bitterness fierce.

Chapter 13

Then shall a fountain be opened for sin.
No more shall prophets deceive from within.
When He is asked, why these wounds in Your
hands!
They came, He'll say, in the house of My friends.

Chapter 14

Then shall the nations, Jerusalem, fight.
There they shall die with a terrible blight.
Then shall the Lord on mount Olivet stand.
He shall be King over all of the land.