

corresponding to pale, which is Death, and Strong corresponding to Hell. **Nothing can escape Hell's grip except for the resurrection life of Jesus!**

When the Lord tells the strong horses to go, Hell literally breaks loose over the whole earth. This marks the beginning of the great tribulation, a time of supernatural calamities over the whole globe (Rev. 9:1-2,11). No wonder Zechariah to cries out in anguish! In conclusion, the Lord fellowships to Zechariah that He is deeply satisfied with His people who have turned to Him with all their heart through the depression and revival in the north.

In the Bible it is a great thing when God or God's Spirit rests. The one on whom the Spirit rests is filled with His Spirit for doing the Lord's work (Num. 11:25-26; 2 Kings 2:15; Isaiah 11:2; John 1:32). In the Old Testament age, the Spirit only rested on a few individuals. Here the Spirit will rest in the land of the north, on many inhabitants of that land.

And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, I will pour out of My Spirit upon all flesh. And your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,

and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. And on My servants and on My handmaidens I will pour out in those days of My Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke: The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come: And it shall come to pass, *that* whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved. (Acts 2:17-21; Joel 2:28-32)

Please follow me in prayer: Oh Lord Jesus, You are sovereign over all the world. Oh Lord Jesus, I call on Your name. You said that You would save all those who call on Your name. Speak to my spirit in Your word. Cause Your Spirit to rest in my spirit. I give myself to You. Fill me with Your Spirit. I trust my life and my needs to You.

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(See also my other booklet, "Beauty, Bonds and 30 Pieces of Silver" on Zechariah 11.)



# The Worst Depression and the Greatest Revival

God rules over the affairs of men. The wise man, Mohandas Gandhi, observed, "When I despair, I remember that all through history the way of truth and love has always won. There have been tyrants and murderers, and for a time they seem invincible, but in the end, they always fall - think of it, ALWAYS."



## The Flying 20x10 Curse on Dishonesty

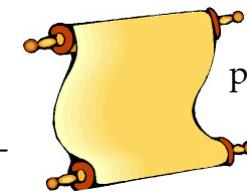
In a vision, the Old Testament prophet Zechariah saw a curse in the form of a scroll flying forth over the whole earth (Zech 5:1-4). This flying curse brings swift judgment upon the family of anyone who steals or swears falsely by God's name.

This curse has made the world livable because it has preserved a measure of honesty in human society. The

U.S. justice system has been based on testimony sworn on the name of God. The economy is based on trust that paper money, the stock market and bank accounts are worth something. We should thank God for this curse. **What would the world be like if this curse were to end?**

The dimensions of this curse are 20 cubits in length by 10 cubits in breadth (v2). These are the curse's limits. The breadth is the limit in distance (Isaiah 8:8), and the length is the limit in time (Deut. 30:20). The number 10 signifies that nothing is lacking, indicating that the curse covers the entire earth (v3, Zechariah 8:23; 1 Samuel 1:8).

The number 7 and its multiples signify completeness for God's purpose (Daniel 9:24). In the Bible the number 20 for time is not complete (Gen. 31:27,41); it is one short of the complete number 21=7x3. This curse which is a blessing



will last for 20 time periods and then end, seemingly prematurely. The termination of Zechariah's curse will gradually result in the most ungodly generation the world has ever known.

I think the 20 time periods during which the curse restrains dishonesty are the 20 centuries that have passed since the birth of Christ, when God's name began to be made known to the whole earth (Isaiah 42:6; Matt. 2:1-2; Luke 2:30-32).

In the past, the people who retained wealth came by it honestly, like Henry Ford and Bill Gates. Now, suing law-

yers make \$10 million per year.

The New Testament tells us that before the evil world leader called anti-christ comes to power, a certain restraining power over sin will be taken away:

“And now you know that which restrains, so that *the man of sin* might be revealed in his own time. For it is the mystery of lawlessness that is now operating, but only until the one now restraining goes out of the way. And then the lawless one will be revealed.” (2 Thes. 2:6-8)

### **The Moving Ephah, 3 Women and a Lead Lid**

Zechariah 5:1-4

Then I turned, and lifted up my eyes, and looked, and behold a flying scroll. 2 And *the angel* said to me, What do you see? And I answered, I see a flying scroll; the length *is* twenty cubits, and the breadth is ten cubits. 3 Then said he to me, This *is* the curse that goes forth over the face of the whole earth: every one who steals shall be cut off according to it; and every one that swears shall be cut off according to it. 4 I will cause it to go forth, says the LORD of hosts, and it shall enter into the house of the thief, and into the house of him who swears falsely by My name; and it shall remain in the midst of his house, and shall consume it with the timber thereof and the stones thereof.

Zechariah's next vision (Zech 5:4-11) is similar to the previous one because he doesn't turn to see it. Both are from the same point of view.

Zechariah sees a moving ephah with a woman sitting inside it. The Lord puts a heavy lead weight atop the ephah greatly slowing it down. Suddenly two new women appear with the wind in their wings, and they lift up the ephah and carry it to the land of Shinar where it is established on its own base.

economy is the beginning of the chariot of black horses.

I believe that the chariot of red horses, the great war in the east, when added upon an economy become fragile due to distrust and globalization, will trigger a world-wide depression much worse than 1930. If previous depressions were symbolized by a single black horse, what do you think a chariot of black horses represents? A greater depression than we have ever seen. In Whom will you trust?

Praise the Lord that the chariot of white horses follows the chariot of black horses north! The economic depression in the north will bring God's people back to live for God absolutely and not love the world. Many unbelievers will be saved. If previous gospel revivals were signified by a single white horse, a chariot of white horses is a greater revival than has ever been! From the north, the gospel revival will spread to other parts of the earth: Egypt (Isa. 19:19-22), Northern Iraq (Assyria) (Isa. 19:23-25), sub-Sahara Africa (Isa. 18:1,7).

The hail-colored, strong horses head south. South in the Bible means south

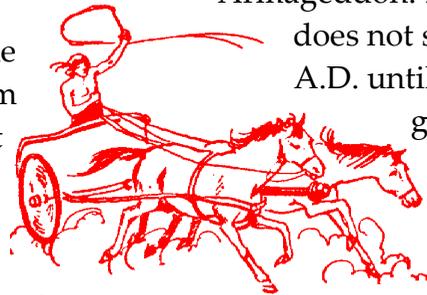
of Jerusalem. Here there will be death like the world has never seen. The pale horse in Revelation is death by murder, famine, disease and wild animals. The pale horse becomes a chariot of hail-colored horses. Hail is colorless, and thus pale. In addition to being pale, "hail" adds the aspect of natural calamities to the pale horse. The hail horse includes all the death of the pale horse (murder, famine, disease, and wild beasts) plus death by natural disasters such as hurricanes, tsunamis and earthquakes. In the past 2,000 years only a small percentage of the people died due to natural disasters. In the last generation before the Lord's return, many will die prematurely by natural disasters as well as by the things of the pale horse. We are seeing the beginning of this with the tsunami and the AIDS epidemic.

Then the strong horses seek to go out on their own over the whole earth. This is strange because the strong horses *are* the hail-colored horses. The 4th horse, the pale horse, in Revelation is actually 2 horses in one: Death and Hell. The 4th horses, the hail-colored, strong horses in Zechariah are also 2 horses in one: Hail-colored

are one: Death followed by Hell.

The 4 chariots come out from between the two mountains. This means that the chariots come in the last generation before the Lord's 2nd coming. From the Old Testament point of view, Christ's 1st and 2nd comings are the two mountains in the distance, one behind the other. To the Old Testament, it looks like the 2nd mountain is right behind the 1st mountain, but actually it is approximately 2,000 years in the future. The Old Testament always skips over the time period between the destruction of the 2nd temple in 70 A.D. (about 40 years after the Christ's death) and approximately one generation before Christ's 2nd coming.

The mountains are brass. Brass signifies judgment (Num. 16:35-39; Deut 28:23). The first mountain of judgment is the judgment that followed Christ's 1st coming, the destruction of the temple in 70 A.D. The 2nd mountain of judgment is the judgment preceding the Christ's 2nd coming, the battle of Armageddon centered on Jerusalem at the end of the great tribulation (Zech



12:2;14:1-2). The chariots come out from between the 2 brass mountains, that is, between 70 A.D. and the battle of Armageddon. But the Old Testament does not see the time from 70 A.D. until approximately one generation before Christ's 2nd coming.

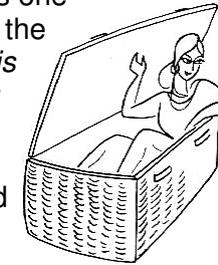
Thus the 4 chariots in Zechariah are the culmination of the 4 horses in Revelation and come out in the last generation before Jesus' return.

The first chariot to come out is war. Zechariah does not tell us in which direction it heads, but I believe it heads east. The 200 million horsemen who kill 1/3 of the earth's population come from the east (Rev. 16:12-15; 9:14-21). Today the wars are in Iraq and Afghanistan, which are east of Jerusalem. If previous wars were symbolized by a single red horse, what does a chariot of red horses signify? It is a much greater war than ever has been, probably a nuclear war.

The second chariot is economic depression which heads north, over the whole industrialized world. What we are seeing today in the manufacturing

Zechariah 5:5-11

Then the angel that talked with me went forth and said to me, Lift up now your eyes and see what is this that goes forth. 6 And I said, What is it? And he said, This is the ephah that goes forth. And he said, This is their appearance in all the earth. 7 (And, behold, there was lifted up a lead cover.) And there is one woman sitting in the midst of the ephah. 8 And he said, This is wickedness. And he cast her into the midst of the ephah and cast the lead weight upon its mouth. 9 Then lifted I up my eyes, and looked, and, behold, there were two women going forth, and the wind was in their wings; and they had wings like the wings of a stork. And they lifted up the ephah between the earth and the heavens. 10 And I said to the angel who spoke with me, Where are they taking the ephah? 11 And he said to me, To build it an house in the land of Shinar; and it shall be established, and set there upon its own base.



An ephah is a measuring container for commerce (Lev. 19:36; Matt. 5:15). Commerce appears in all the earth as an ephah (v6), something wholesome, producing prosperity, but the Lord, who knows the nature of man, says that it is wickedness (v8).

Women in the Bible can signify a life for man's pleasure rather than for God's purpose (Exodus 1:22). The 3 women indicate that the commerce is

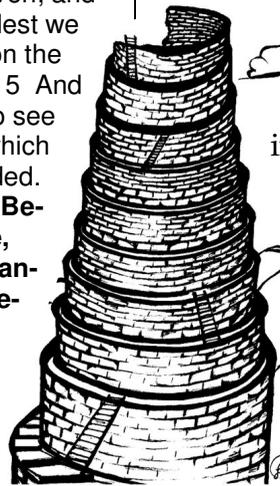
for man's pleasure, not his needs.

The words "the land of Shinar" give the key to explaining this prophecy. The land of Shinar was a giant negative milestone in the history of man. It was the name of the site of the Tower of Babel before it became Babel, which means confusion (Gen. 11:2,9). At the time of the land of Shinar, the whole human race was one, and they were all working together toward a common fantastic goal, of making a tower to reach heaven (Gen. 11:4). **The Lord Himself had to come down, and He said, If We let this go on, nothing will be restrained from them, which**

**they have imagined to do** (Gen. 11:6). I believe that if the Lord had not intervened, they would have come up with many modern inventions, which would have prematurely destroyed the world. Thankfully, the Lord intervened by confounding their communication. This caused them to drop their ambitious goal and become scattered and divided. This was the Lord's restraining of global commerce.

Genesis 11:1-9

**And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech.** 2 And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the **land of Shinar**; and they dwelt there. 3 And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them thoroughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar. 4 And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top *may reach* unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth. 5 And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men builded. 6 **And the LORD said, Behold, the people is one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do.** 7 Go to, let Us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech. 8 So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city. 9 **Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth:** and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.



But eventually something happens to circumvent this restraining power. Suddenly two other women appear. They are so strong that they lift up the ephah containing the 1st woman along with the lead weight and fly it to the land of Shinar, where workers from all over the globe compete on a level playing field. I believe that the 1st woman is the western world, and the two new women are China and India, each 1 billion persons strong, suddenly entering the economy. The 1st

woman is sitting, taking it easy, while the latter 2 women are flying fast. The first woman no longer has any control in where the ephah is headed, because the ephah are being carried by the two new women.

The ephah is established in the land of Shinar upon its own base. I believe this base is the base of computer technology which lets all the world communicate with each other instantaneously in the same language by computer.

The women fly with the wind in their wings, signifying that this globalization happens very fast and is unstoppable.

### Four Chariots from Between The Two Mountains of Brass

Next Zechariah turns and sees 4 chariots of dif-

Zechariah 6:1-8

6:1 And I turned, and lifted up my eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came four chariots out from between the two mountains; and the mountains *were* mountains of brass. 2 In the first chariot *were* red horses; and in the second chariot black horses; 3 And in the third chariot white horses; and in the fourth chariot hail-colored, strong horses. 4 Then I answered and said unto the angel that talked with me, What *are* these, my lord? 5 And the angel answered and said to me, These *are* the four spirits of the heavens, which go forth from standing before the Lord of all the earth. 6 The chariot in which are the black horses goes forth into the north country; and the white go forth after them; and the hail-colored go forth toward the south country. 7 And the strong went forth, and sought that they might go to and fro through the earth: and He said, Get you hence, go to and fro through the earth. So they went to and fro through the earth, 8 and this caused me to cry out in anguish! And He communed with me, saying, **Behold, these that go forth toward the north country have caused My Spirit to rest in the north country.**

ferent colored horses coming out from between "the 2 mountains", which are mountains of brass. The first chariot has red horses. The second chariot has black horses and goes north. The third chariot has white horses and heads north following the black horses. The fourth chariot has hail-colored, strong horses and heads south. Then the strong horses seek to be set free and to go throughout the earth(v7). The Lord then tells them to go, and they go, causing Zechariah to cry out in anguish! In conclusion, the Lord comforts Zechariah saying that those that went north caused His Spirit to rest there.



Zechariah 6:1-8 is explained by the New Testament in Revelation 6:1-8. By coincidence, the chapter and verse numbers match exactly. In Zechariah 6 there are 4 colors of horses, and in Revelation 6 there are the same 4 colors of horses. Each single horse in Revelation becomes a chariot of horses in Zechariah, signifying many-fold intensification.

The 4 horses in Revelation are the major world happenings from the Lord's resurrection in ~33 A.D. until His second coming. The white horse is the Gospel of Jesus Christ (Rev. 19:11,14) which has been preached in the whole earth. The red horse is War. The black horse is economic Depression, and the pale horse is two horses that