

SERMON CHALLENGE
God Always Has a Carpenter
Zechariah 1:18–21

Name: _____ Date: _____

MULTIPLE CHOICE

Circle the best answer.

1. According to the sermon, why did Zechariah's vision name the horns so plainly instead of describing a vague threat?

- A. Because naming trouble honestly is the first step toward hope, not a sign of weakness
- B. Because the prophet needed proof that the vision was real
- C. Because the angel wanted to frighten the people further
- D. Because the horns needed to be counted before judgment could begin

2. What did the sermon say about the timing of the carpenters God showed Zechariah?

- A. They were trained and recruited only after the horns appeared
- B. They were already prepared and shown before Zechariah even asked what they meant
- C. They arrived gradually over many years of waiting
- D. They were sent only after Judah proved its faithfulness

3. Based on the sermon's explanation of verse 21, what caused the horns to be marked for judgment?

- A. Their great size compared to the carpenters
- B. The length of time they had scattered Judah
- C. Their own posture of pride in lifting up their horn
- D. Their refusal to answer the interpreting angel

4. The sermon compared the carpenters being shown to Zechariah to which everyday picture?

- A. A doctor arriving after an emergency has already happened
- B. A raised fist meeting something stronger than itself
- C. Walking into a workshop and finding the tools already laid out before the job is explained
- D. A bull in a pen with its head lowered

5. What does the sermon say is the proper response to trouble that offers no visible relief?

- A. Patient trust in God's already-prepared provision rather than self-reliant scrambling
- B. Waiting until the trouble becomes unbearable before praying
- C. Building your own deliverance through determined effort
- D. Assuming that God has fallen behind on the situation

TRUE OR FALSE

Write T for true or F for false.

_____ 1. The sermon taught that admitting your trouble honestly to God is actually the first step toward hope, not a sign of weakness.

_____ 2. According to the sermon, God prepared the carpenters only after Zechariah asked what the horns meant.

_____ 3. The sermon explained that the same verse describing Judah's despair also describes the pride of the horns that scattered them.

_____ 4. The sermon taught that people who feel discouraged and unable to lift their heads should assume their discouragement is permanent.

_____ 5. The sermon encouraged listeners to examine their own hearts for any posture of pride or self-exaltation over others.

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SHORT ANSWER

Answer each question in your own words.

1. What is the central truth of this sermon about how God responds to the powers that trouble His people?

2. Explain what the sermon meant when it said the horns and the carpenters were matched exactly.

3. What warning did the sermon give about the posture of pride shown by the horns?

4. What personal application from this sermon can you put into practice this week?

MEMORY VERSE

Zechariah 1:21

Then said I, What come these to do? And he spake, saying, These are the horns which have scattered Judah, so that no man did lift up his head: but these are come to fray them, to cast out the horns of the Gentiles, which lifted up their horn over the land of Judah to scatter it.