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God’s Greater Blessings Await!

Zechariah 8

*When you pursue God with a singular passion you will experience unprecedented blessings.*

What blessings await you if you will become and continue to be a diligent seeker of God?

*‘And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that* ***he rewards those who earnestly seek him.****’ Hebrews 11:6*

**PastPresentFuture**

*Were you an earnest seeker of God?*

*Are you an earnest seeker now?*

*Will you continue to be an earnest seeker of God?*

All of the promised blessings of God are backed by His infallible, inerrant, inspired word. God assures His people through His prophet of His promises. This is God’s ‘modus operandi’ – His normal way of operating. He speaks. He has spoken through His word.

“…the word of the LORD Almighty came” (2x)

This is what the LORD Almighty says (10x)

**MESSAGE #1**

**Zechariah 8:1 “Again the word of the LORD Almighty came to me.”**

Within the one main message there are seven mini-messages, individual promises to help His people understand His grace, mercy and love as they take inventory of His blessings.

1. The Blessing of Jealousy
2. The Blessing of Truth & Holiness
3. The Blessing of Security & Peace
4. The Blessing of Miraculous Miracles
5. The Blessing of Restored Fellowship
6. The Blessing of Renewed Strength & Resources
7. The Blessing of God’s Goodness

**MESSAGE #2**

**Zechariah 8:18 “Again the word of the LORD Almighty came to me.”**

1. The Blessing of Joyful Worship
2. The Blessing of Multicultural Evangelism
3. The Blessing of God’s Evident Presence

**RESPONSE**

1. **Move forward in faith** – “Do not be afraid, let your hands be strong.” 1:13
2. **Speak truth and live it out** – ‘Speak the truth…and render true and sound judgment…’
3. **Hate what God hates** – ‘Do not plot evil against your neighbour, and do not love to swear falsely.’ ‘I hate all this,’ declares the LORD