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WOW: Word on Wednesday

“Blessed to be a Blessing”

Zechariah 8:1-23

2026 Theme – Expanded Expectations

Intro: Zechariah’s lesson is one all of us can learn from. Know this: Your belief in God will always be rewarded. And God is always faithful, whether you believe Him or not. Your faith, or lack thereof, does not change who He is, the truth he declared, or the Word He has decreed. In order to provide the people with soul-stirring hope, Zechariah received divine revelation of a number of future blessings for the nation.

1. He is passionate about living in us (vs 2).

- a. God is emotionally involved with His people.
- b. God is passionate for His people – even when they have failed Him. Leviticus 26:12
- c. God does not want a long-distance relationship with us.
- d. He wants to walk and talk with us moment by moment of His constant love and fellowship. John 14:23
- e. It excites Him, it delights Him, it’s what He always wanted to live in us and among us!

2. He is passionate about our obedience (v 9-17).

- a. God’s passionate love for us does not mean our behavior or lifestyle doesn’t matter to Him. Ephesians 3:20
- b. Obedience will produce prosperity and fruitfulness and blessings.
- c. God is saying when you obey Me, you will be blessed. Isaiah 1:19

3. He is passionate about your joy (v 18-19).

- a. Joy is not optional in the life of a believer, it’s essential.
- b. God has no passion to see you and I miserable. Psalm 30:11
- c. His plan and passion are all about maximizing our joy in Him. John 15:11

4. He is passionate about our evangelism (v 20-23).

- a. One of the blind spots for the Jews in the Old Testament is still a blind spot for many Christians today – God saves you so you can lead other people to Him.
- b. The Jews were so proud to be God’s people that they looked on the Gentiles as little more than dogs. Mark 16:15
- c. In verse 20, God says (I’m paraphrasing): “hey guys, this party isn’t just for you! Salvation is for everyone who believes”. John 3:16
- d. God didn’t just save us to go to heaven, but to bring people to heaven with us!