

“The Lampstand and the Olive Trees” (Zechariah 4)

**The Big Idea: The Holy Spirit empowers God’s lowly servants to build his temple.**

- I. The Meaning of This Text for Zerubbabel’s Temple
  - a. The Mysterious Content of the Vision (verses 1–3)
  - b. The Plain Point of the Vision (verses 4–10)

Haggai 2:4–5; Isaiah 40:4–5; Haggai 2:3; Ezra 3:12–13
  - c. The Chosen Servants Behind the Symbols (verses 11–14)

Zechariah 3:6–7
- II. The Reminder in This Text for Christ’s Church
  - a. The Holy Spirit builds the church.

1 Corinthians 12:4–7, 11–13

    - i. The church is God’s temple indwelt by the Spirit.

Ephesians 2:19–22; 1 Peter 2:4–5
    - ii. The church shines the light of God’s presence in the world.

Matthew 5:14–16; Philippians 2:14–15; Revelation 1:20
    - iii. The Spirit’s work in and through the church is invincible.

Matthew 16:18; Ephesians 3:20–21; Revelation 3:7–8, 12–13
  - b. Human powers are inadequate to build the church.

1 Corinthians 3:5–9; 2 Corinthians 3:4–6; 4:5–10
  - c. The Holy Spirit’s power still works through lowly people.
    - i. The Spirit has anointed the lowly Jesus as high king and high priest.

Revelation 5:6; Revelation 2:1; John 3:34–35
    - ii. The Spirit anoints the lowly disciples of Jesus as a kingdom of priests.

1 John 2:20, 27; Revelation 1:6

Conclusion (1 Corinthians 3:9–21a; Jeremiah 5:11–14; Revelation 11:1–13)