I. Oracles come in many varieties.

A. Political oracles rail their messages every evening via the media.

B. We would have a pile of dead oracles today if Biblical mandates were followed.

1. False prophets were taken to the edge of the city and stoned.

a. Examples: Presidential predictions; diplomatic predictions; Oscars;

Super Bowl; market predictions. Need I say more?

C. An oracle whose message bona fidely comes from God speaks with certainty.

1. We can bank on the promises made to Zechariah.

a. Many have already come true.

b. People who trust this messenger of God, know the rest will too.

II. The foundation of a Biblical worldview lies in the God whose promises come true.

A. Jesus is coming again to this earth.

B. Jesus will establish His kingdom with persuasion, not political power.

C. The pierced and rejected King will appear in His Glory.

D. The cleansing fountain will be open to all. (13:1)

E. Jerusalem will be the capital of the whole earth.

F. A new outpouring of the Spirit will bring new conversion to Israel.

G. The meek, not the powerful, will inherit the earth.

H. True monarchy will be restored to the House of David.

I. As this kingdom is ushered in, it won’t be pretty — nation against nation.

III. Reading the Word of God is one thing; seeing the Word of God is another: Chap. 9.

A. Do we realize and recognize that God is “keeping watch” over us? 9:8

B. God’s close watch is not conspicuous.

1. He invaded as an infant.

2. His victory march was on the foal of a donkey. 9:9

3. His coronation used a crown of thorns.

4. He will mount a white horse when He gloriously returns. 9:11ff/Rev. 19:11ff.

C. Peace is a person? 9:10 Do we have the peace of this person’s presence?

1. If not, blame the pulpits. 10:2,3

D. Salvation is not a plan; it’s a person; it’s a blood covenant – His blood. Chapter 10

1. I didn’t; He did.

2. He is the cornerstone; the tent peg. 10

IV. God’s covenant of Grace is broken; the Messiah is rejected.

A. 30 pieces of silver: 11:12

B. The shepherds are removed.

C. Jerusalem, Jerusalem: Chapter 12.

V. A Fountain is the result of the suffering of Our Lord: 13:1

A. He was wounded at the house of His friends: 13 :6

B. A third have been brought into the refining fire: 13:9

VI. The culmination of world history is THE DAY OF THE LORD. Chapter 14

A. Jerusalem will be secure: 14:11

B. Everyone and everything in it will be Holy.

C. Peace is a person, but Grace is a process. The end thereof is Holiness.

*(Hymn on Back)*

**Holy, Holy, Holy**

**1.** Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;

Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

**2**. Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea.

Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,

Who wert, and art, and evermore shall be.

**3.** Holy, holy, holy! Tho’ the darkness hide Thee,

Tho’ the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see;

Only Thou art Holy; there is none beside Thee,

Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

**4.** Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth, in sky, and sea.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!

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