Read Zechariah 6:1–8. The central encouragement of this vision is that God is never powerless against those who oppose Him or His purposes. The vision of four chariots reveals the Lord as the mighty Ruler who acts decisively in the world He has created. The four chariots, like the four winds that reach in every direction, portray the universal reach of His authority. They are dispatched from between two bronze mountains, a powerful image that would have reminded Zechariah's audience of the bronze pillars that once stood at the entrance to Solomon's Temple *(1 Kings 7:15–22)*. Those pillars symbolized the Lord's strength; these bronze mountains declare that His strength is immeasurable. The God who delivered His people from exile is not threatened by the nations around them. He is the One and Only God, sovereign over all creation.

As the chariots patrol the earth, we are reminded that nothing escapes God's notice or falls beyond His authority. The nations that had oppressed His people were not beyond His reach, and their power would not ultimately prevail. The Lord had disciplined His people, but He had not abandoned them. He would bring judgment upon their enemies and lead His forgiven and cleansed remnant toward peace, safety, and restoration. What an encouragement this must have been to those returning from exile and laboring to rebuild the Temple! Their circumstances might have seemed uncertain, and their work might have appeared small, but the God who stood behind His promises was more powerful than any obstacle standing before them.

The same assurance is found in John's vision of the four horses in Revelation 6:1–8. The all-powerful God who reigned over the nations in Zechariah's day is still reigning in the New Covenant age. The church may experience opposition, suffering, and even death, but none of these can stop God's plan of salvation, redemption, and grace. The Lord sees His people through their trials, and His purposes will be accomplished. As Paul reminds us, "neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing" can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord *(Romans 8:38–39)*. We do not serve a defeated King or labor toward an uncertain outcome. We serve the victorious Lord of all creation, whose love and promises remain sure.

Prayerfully consider the following this week: How does remembering God's sovereignty change the way you face opposition, uncertainty, or discouragement? When you encounter circumstances that make faithful service difficult, how can the visions of both Zechariah and John remind you that God is still at work and His purposes cannot be defeated? What is one way you can serve the Lord this week with greater confidence, trusting that neither the troubles of this age nor the powers of this world can separate you from His love?

Weekly Memory Verse:

"…Behold, your king is coming to you;
He is righteous and endowed with salvation,…"
Zechariah 9:9

Weekly Affirmation:

MY GOD IS ALWAYS VICTORIOUS!

November 2026 Growth Goals

- ○ Read the Books of Zechariah & Malachi
- ○ Watch the Bible Project videos on Zechariah & Malachi *(available on the website)*.
- ○ Memorize one of the weekly memory verses.
- ○ Write out a list of things for which you are thankful, at least one thing from each day of the month. Read it over Dec. 1st.