The Battle of the Godly – Zechariah 1:18-21

- I. The World Will Always Wage War (18-19)
 - A. The Vision of Four Horns (18)
 - 1. Eastern People Were Pastoral
 - 2. The most powerful animals were the ones with horns
 - 3. The horn symbolized power and pride
 - a. "Lift up the horn" was to be arrogant and proud
 - b. Ten horns in Daniel 7 vision, symbolize ten kings in conflict
 - B. Horns are Ungodly Powers (19)
 - 1. They wage war on God's people
 - 2. They scatter God's people
- II. God will Always Raise Up His Soldiers (20-21)
 - A. The Vision of Four Craftsmen (20)
 - 1. Some versions say "carpenters"
 - 2. The word speaks of craftsmen who work with wood, iron, metal
 - a. Picture is of a blacksmith beating down horns
 - b. The Word is their hammer Jer. 23:29 Is not my word like

as a fire? saith the Lord; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces

- B. The Horns Bring shame and suffering
- C. The Craftsmen are sent to Destroy the Horns
 - 1. They come to terrify them
 - 2. They come to throw them down

2 Co. 10:4-5