

Zechariah 13:1-9

"The Opened Fountain & the Death of the Good Shepherd"

Intro: The minister and the paralytic's four friends

-The message of Jesus Christ and Him crucified: Not just a message to be proclaimed from New Testament texts.

-Jesus Christ and Him crucified: The message of Zechariah 12:10 and 13:7.

*We must marvel at the _____ for cleansing through the _____ of the _____.

-Evidence that chapters 12 & 13 go together: Found in the repetition of key words and themes.

-"On that day": Can refer to the final vindication of God's people or the day in which His people are justified and sanctified.

-Several passages of Scripture: Refer to God as 'the Fountain of life' or the 'Fountain of living waters.'

-The shedding of blood necessary for the forgiveness of sins: Found in Zechariah 12:10 and 13:7.

-Our consideration of the uncleanness of the body: Helpful in considering uncleanness of the soul

-The sanctification of God's people: On display in verse 2.

-What went hand-in-hand with the worship of idols: The false teaching of false prophets.

-The false prophets in this passage: Deny they are false prophets, put off their prophet's attire, lie about their work, and lie about the wounds they have received.

-Verse 7: A marvelous prophecy about the death of the Good Shepherd on behalf of His sheep.

-A better translation of the last part of verse 7: "I will turn My hand upon the little ones."

-Verses 8-9: Pertain to God's refining work in sanctifying His people.

-Personal Application: