

THE VISION OF THE WOMAN IN THE FLYING BASKET (Zechariah 5:5-11)

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A. God Removes the Sin from Israel (5-5-11)

1. In the previous vision of the Flying Scroll sinners were "*expelled*," _____ from Israel; this vision carries the same thought, but goes a step further— not only sinners but _____ itself must be _____ from the land.

2. The interpreting angel was explaining the new revelation as a _____ came _____ into Zechariah's view. (vv. 5-6)

3. The ephah was a standardized unit of measure for commerce in the marketplace in Israel, it would hold approximately _____.

4. There was a heavy lead cover for the basket which was also airborne; shockingly inside this basket sat a woman. (v. 7)
 - a. The interpreting angel indicated that the _____ in the basket represented "*_____*" in the land of Israel, which will be culminated in the last days. (v. 8a, cf. Rev. 17-18)

- b. The woman was thrust down into the basket in order to place the _____ on top, thus, keeping her _____ like a cage. (v. 8b)
5. Yet another aspect of this vision unfolded as Zechariah looked on, two women appeared with _____ like that of a _____ (one of the unclean birds in Lev. 11:13, 19); they picked up the basket and lifted it up into the _____. (v. 9)
6. Understandably confused the prophet asked the interpreting angel _____ the women with the wings were _____ the basket. (v. 10)
7. The angel told Zechariah that the destination was “*Shinar*” where a temple would be built for “*Wickedness*” and it would be set on its own pedestal. (v. 11)
- a. In Scripture “*Shinar*” is representative of _____ or _____, “the gate of the gods.” (Gen. 11:2; 14:1, 9; Isa. 11:11; Dan. 1:2)
- b. When the word “*Babylon*” is employed, it certainly _____ refer to the geographical location of the land at times; but it is also synonymous with being the very epitome of humanistic _____ and _____ against Yahweh.
- c. In the book of Revelation chapters 17-18 speak of the “*Mystery _____, the Great _____ of Harlots and of the _____ of the Earth.*” (Rev. 17:1-6; Isa. 13:1, 9-13; Rev. 18:4-10)

* What can we conclude from Zechariah chapter 5?