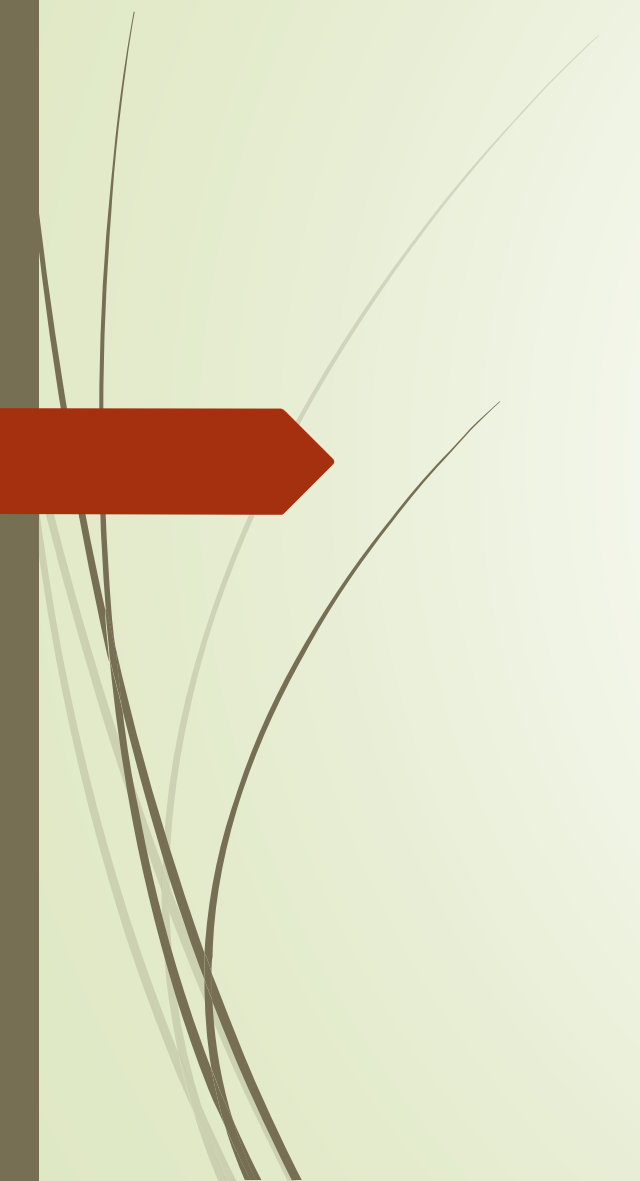




The Heart's Attitude Behind Fasting and Justice



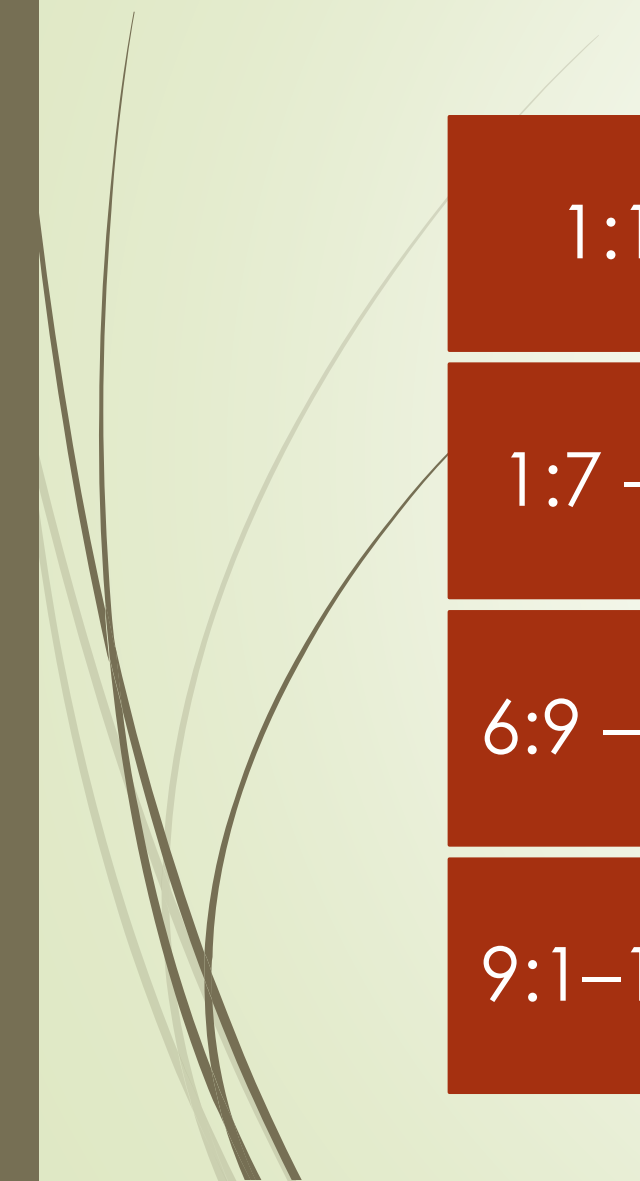
Zechariah's message in 7 - 8

**Conduct yourself from a
Godward motive and in
godly character.**





Outline of Zechariah



1:1-6

Call to repentance

1:7 – 6:8

Eight visions

6:9 – 8:23

Five messages

9:1–14:21

Two oracles about Messiah

Four
Messages
About
Fasting

Message 1:

**Examine the motive
that drives your
actions**

(7:1-7)

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Messages
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Message 2:

**Carry out true justice
and compassion**

(7:8-14)



“True Justice”

- 1) Based on the truth of God's word*
- 2) Faithful and consistent*



Four principles to achieve true justice

1. Dispense it.
2. Practice kindness and compassion.
3. Do not oppress.
4. Do not devise evil in your heart.



“Devising Evil In Your Heart”

*Pondering something you want
which will hurt someone else, then
making plans to get it.*



Peeking into our heart when we sin

1. We refuse to pay attention to God's word.
2. We refuse to submit to its authority.
3. We plug our ears so we can't hear it.
4. **We harden our heart against the convicting work of God's word!**

Four
Messages
About
Fasting

Message 3:

**Draw strength from
the certainty of God's
promises**

(8:1-17)

Four
Messages
About
Fasting

Message 4:

**Love what God loves,
anticipating the joy of
future blessings**

(8:18-23)