Zechariah 3 • The Work of the Son

1. (v.1-2) The issue of sin and judgment is not strictly limited to something that takes place on **earth**; it is a core issue in **heaven** between Satan and Christ Himself. While there will ultimately be a Final Judgment, in the meantime there is a **struggle** between Satan the Accuser and Christ our Advocate. The first work of Christ is **salvation**.
2. (v.3-5) The subsequent work of Christ is **sanctification**, the process of making us **holy** and **acceptable** for God’s service.
3. (v.6-7) The **expectation** is that once someone has come into a personal relationship with Christ that they will no longer live according to their old **way of life** but by putting His Word and ways into practice. Spiritual faithfulness reflects the believer’s position ***both*** in the **earthly** and **heavenly** scheme of things.
4. (v.8-10) The work of the earthly **priesthood** and the earthly **temple** foreshadows the greater work of Christ the **High Priest** and the **priesthood** of all believers to come. Service in the Kingdom of God is not limited to events on **earth** but reflects a greater **heavenly** work.

***Overall***: Sometimes we differentiate between the **daily grind** of life on earth from “what will come” in the **future** in heaven, but our service **here** is already being reflected **there**.