myrtle trees) in the bottom: Babylonia.

- b The stress of war is over...things are still or quiet in the land
- c. Responding to the query of Zechariah the angel tells him that God has returned to his people and is displeased with a lack of progress, .but he has chosen Jerusalem and His house is to be built there so..get on with the work. The days of captivity are over.
- 2. The horns and the carpenters: 18-21

The horns represent the powers that have decimated Judah while the "carpenters" are the forces used by God to overthrow those who menaced Jerusalem. The point is that there is no need to be fearful of he Gentile powers. Build the temple...do not worry about the enemies.

3. The measuring line 2:1-5...

Jerusalem will be restored in a moe glorious way ...it is beyond a measurable size. Jerusalem has a great future.

- 4. The cleansing of Joshua 3:1-10
 - a. Note the presence of Satan and the condition of Joshua's clothes.
 - b. He is cleansed (4-5) and given a charge (7-8) and given a quick view of the Messianic age. (the Branch) In a short statement Judah has the land, the Divine presence, an ordained priest...What more is needed?
- 5. The Great Lampstand 4:1-14
 - a. The correspondence is with the tabernacle and the temple. The Spirit of God is present!
 - b. Zerubbabel is charged wit the completion of the work and a stiff warning is given to those who do not see the importance of the work.
 - c. A question on the "anointed ones".
- 6. The flying roll 5:1-4

The roll reveals the two great drawbacks hindering the work of the Lord

- 7. The Ephah 5:5-11
 - a. The symbolism is enormous...I will ramble a bit on it.
 - b. Let the things of Babylon be sent to Babylon
 (The thrust is that the Lord's people should reject the sinful things attached to Babylon)