

## **The Sixth Night Vision: The Flying Scroll (5:1-4)**

**5:1,2** *I looked again—and there before me was a flying scroll!<sup>2</sup> He asked me, “What do you see?” I answered, “I see a flying scroll, thirty feet long and fifteen feet wide.”*

1. Following the context of the visions, who is speaking to Zechariah as the vision opens? -- While the speaker is not specifically named here, it is the Messenger who continues to guide Zechariah in his understanding of the visions. Zechariah when prompted by the Messenger describes the scroll in detail.
2. What does the huge size of the scroll when combined with the fact that it is flying in mid-air indicate? The huge size of the scroll combined with the fact that it flies in mid-air gives the clear understanding that this Law of God is something all will see.

**5:3** *And he said to me, “This is the curse that is going out over the whole land; for according to what it says on one side, every thief will be banished, and according to what it says on the other, everyone who swears falsely will be banished.*

3. What was written on the two sides of the scroll?
4. Contrast the message of this vision with the message we found in the corresponding vision of the Man and the Measuring Line. What supplemental thought does the Flying Scroll add to God’s reestablishing his covenant?

**5:4** *The LORD Almighty declares, ‘I will send it out, and it will enter the house of the thief and the house of him who swears falsely by my name. It will remain in his house and destroy it, both its timbers and its stones.’”*

5. While God promises “prosperity in a time of ruin” in the vision of the Measuring Line, what affect does willful sin have on God’s covenant?
6. What spiritual principle does God reveal with the Vision of the Flying Scroll?
7. Does the “grace principle” change those it touches? Explain

## **The Vision of the Woman in a Basket (5:5-11)**

**5:5-7** *Then the angel who was speaking to me came forward and said to me, “Look up and see what this is that is appearing.”<sup>6</sup> I asked, “What is it?” He replied, “It is a measuring basket.” And he added, “This is the iniquity of the people throughout the land.”<sup>7</sup> Then the cover of lead was raised, and there in the basket sat a woman!*

8. The ephah basket was often connected to commerce and business. If the basket represents “the iniquity of the people throughout the land,” what is God condemning here?

**5:8** *He said, “This is wickedness,” and he pushed her back into the basket and pushed the lead cover down over its mouth.*

9. Remembering that this vision begins with a flashback in time, how does this “woman” explain why God sent the Jews into exile?

**5:9-11** *Then I looked up—and there before me were two women, with the wind in their wings! They had wings like those of a stork, and they lifted up the basket between heaven and earth.<sup>10</sup> “Where are they taking the basket?” I asked the angel who was speaking to me.<sup>11</sup> He replied, “To the country of Babylonia to build a house for it. When it is ready, the basket will be set there in its place.”*

10. What do the two women do with the basket filled with evil?
11. Compare the seventh vision with the sixth vision. What is the shared spiritual topic that connects the two?
12. Compare God’s actions in the flashback (v.5-8) with God’s impending actions in the actions of the angels in the vision (v.9-11), and list what God is revealing to Zechariah in this vision.
13. What is the general spiritual truth God is carrying out each day as he governs this world?