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Zechariah

[3-4] in year of two to Darius Measure of Good Faith: Returning to God, Acknowledging His Purpose [7-8] son of Iddo, the prophet, [9] saying [1-2] thus says YHWH, Hosts [1] return to Me [5] and I will return to you [6-7] says YHWH, Hosts [8-9] thus says YHWH, Hosts [10] (is) utterance of YHWH Elements --- minor paragraph break<sup>1</sup> ---[4-5] in day of tens [twenty]

> [10] it (is) month of Shebat -[1-2] in year of two to Darius

[5-6] son of Iddo, the prophet

[3-4] (there) was, word of YHWH, to Zechariah, son of Berechiah,

[1-2] in month, the eighth (1:1)[5-6] (there) was, word of YHWH, to Zechariah, son of Berechiah, [10] (there) was angry, YHWH, against your fathers, (with) anger! [1] and say to them [3-4] (is) utterance of YHWH, Hosts [2] do not be like your fathers [2-3] which, (there) called to them, the prophets, the former, saying [3-4] return now from your ways, the evil [5-6] and from your deeds, the evil [7-8] but they did not hear and did not listen to Me [9-10] your fathers – where (are) they? [4-5] and the prophets – to forever, will they be? [1-2] nevertheless, My words and My statutes -[3-4] which I commanded My servants, the prophets -[5] did they not overtake your fathers? [1-2] and they returned and said [1-2] as which (there) purposed, YHWH, Hosts, to do to us according to our ways [3] and according to our deeds – He has done with us! 20 [6-9] and four to eleventh month -

This is a translation and a study of the Book of Zechariah. This work presents the possible presence of a literary numbering system in Zechariah (as it were, original Bible verse numbers). Following the PebbleCounting hypothesis, this numbering system appears to be inherent in the Ancient Hebrew and consistently used throughout Zechariah, as it is in other books of Scripture.

This study and its accompanying video are freely available at www.pebblecounting.com, along with studies/translations of other books of Scripture. If you haven't had a chance to watch it, the "Intro to PebbleCounting" video is a good place to begin.

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Elements | 70 Years

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[7] saying
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[1] I have seen (in) the night

[3-4] and behold, a man riding upon a horse, red

[5] and he was standing among the myrtle-trees

[6] which (were) in (the) deep

[7-10] and after him (were) horses: reds, sorrels, and whites

[2] and I said

[1] what (are) these, my lord?

[2-3] and (there) said to me, the angel, the, speaking with me

[4] I will show you

[5-6] what they (are), these

[7-8] and (there) answered, the man, the, standing among the myrtle-trees

[9] and he said

[10] these (they are) which -

[8] (there) has sent, YHWH -

[1] to go abroad in (the) earth

[2] and they answered the Angel of YHWH

[3] the, standing among the myrtle-trees

[4] and they said

[5] we have gone abroad in (the) earth

[6-7] and behold, all the earth is dwelling and is being quiet

[8-9] and (there) answered, Angel of YHWH, and said

[9-10] YHWH, Hosts -

[1-2] until when will You not pity Jerusalem and (the) cities of Judah

[3-4] which, you have been indignant this sevens [seventy] years?

[5] and (there) answered, YHWH, the angel –

[10] the, speaking with me –

[-6] words, kind

[7-8] words, compassionate

[1-2] and (there) said to me, the angel, the, speaking with me

[3-4] cry out, saying

[9-10] thus says YHWH, Hosts

[1-2] I am jealous for Jerusalem and for Zion -

[3-4] a jealousy, great

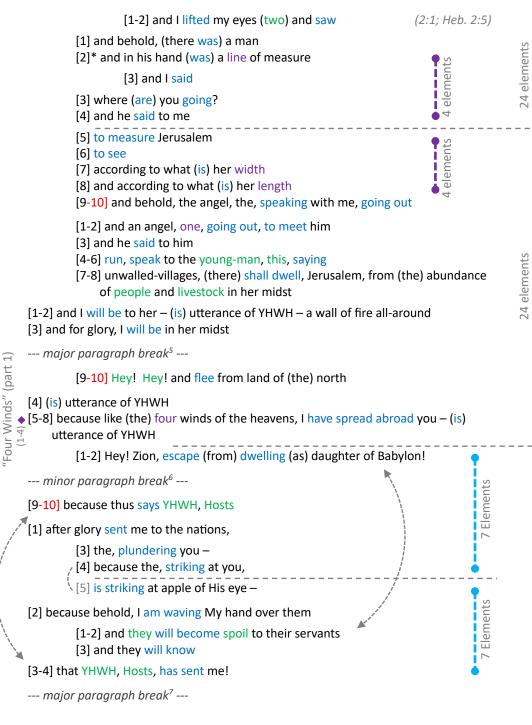
[5-6] and an anger, great -

[7-8] I am being angry over the nations, the secure

24 Elements | Day 24 of month *Shebat* 

70 Elements | 70 Years

"and (the) line will be stretched out over Jerusalem" | The use of a "line" for measurement is a topic that will be revisited shortly (next page). Zechariah may give the length of this line in the present context, by reflection of elements from this point. The measure of the line is fourfold, corresponding with the fourfold reaches of the earth (the "four horns"), indicated in purple here. Just below, the corresponding placements of fourfold measures ("four craftsmen," "four winds of the heavens") form an inclusio that is reflected about Jerusalem's measurement.



"and in his hand (was) a line of measure" | The measure is indicated in the reflection of fourfold elements here, to "her width... her length". As noted above, the fourfold measure is also indicated in the placement of fourfold features "four craftsmen" and "four winds of the heavens" at a spacing of 24 elements each way – another measure that has been used recently.



Measure of the Stone

100 Elements

Tenfold Literary Identity: Joshua's Friends

= 50-fold)

Lampstand (7

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3:10

4:1

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"(with) seven eyes (two)" | As a literary device, Zechariah may place seven instances of "two" in the near context, corresponding with this sevenfold of "eyes (two)." The first instance is a twofold of cardinal number "one," introducing the literary device. It is wrapped around "seven eyes (two)," as shown. This first twofold is "a Stone, one" paired with "a day, one." The instances that follow are shown with numbering and consist either of the cardinal number "two" or a pairing of "one." These seven two-folds may relate to the two named individuals, Joshua and Zerubbabel, in the immediate context. (See Psalm 119 for comparable instances of literary sandwiches that corresponding with "eyes (two).")

These seven two-folds may also relate to Joshua and his "friends," who are a "sign" of greater realities arising from God. Their tenfold literary identities are shown on the right side, above. Taken together, their identities, which are aligned, may form a  $(10) \times (10) = 100$ -fold literary measure for this sign. This 100-fold stature may correspond with the breadth of the dual placements of "seven eyes (two)," 100 elements, as shown in purple. (See John 2:11, 4:54 for comparable instances of the word "sign" serving as a measurement reflection point.)

Zechariah may also employ a subtle measure of the age here. Zechariah follows the first two-fold – "a Stone, one... a day, one" – with "in (the) day, the that." Zechariah may be correlating this twofold of "one" with a twofold of "day." In this correlation, the seven two-folds also correspond with seven literary days, which are a measure of the age. Zechariah places "day (of) small (things)," in proximity to the fourth two-fold (next page). This is Zechariah's place in history: approaching the close of the fourth day of the age, the fourth thousandfold of years. Notice the literary pivot point as Zechariah restates his question "a second" time with a focus that shifts from the two olive trees to the two branches of the olive trees. The angel answers with reference to the "Lord of all the earth." Here, at the opening of the fifth literary day (the fifth two-fold), the influence of the "sons of oil" is branching out toward all the earth. This reach continues through the sixth twofold, the sixth day of the age. See the comparable global influence of the two witnesses in Rev. 11, who also stand "before the Lord of the earth," and who are seen by the "peoples and tribes and tongues and nations."

"seven and seven spouts (are) to lamps which (are) upon its head" | The literary stature of this lampstand, which may correspond with the name "Branch," may be on this line:  $(7 \text{ spouts}) \times (7 \text{ lamps}) + (1 \text{ head}) = 50 \text{-fold}$ . (See John 22 for a comparable literary stature for Jesus.)

See the discussion of 100-fold and 50-fold measures, at 5:3, below.

"(the) seven (of) these (are) eyes (two) of YHWH"

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[4-5] and I answered and said to him

4 ( [8-10] what (are) the two of olive-trees, the, these, upon (the) right-hand of the lampstand –

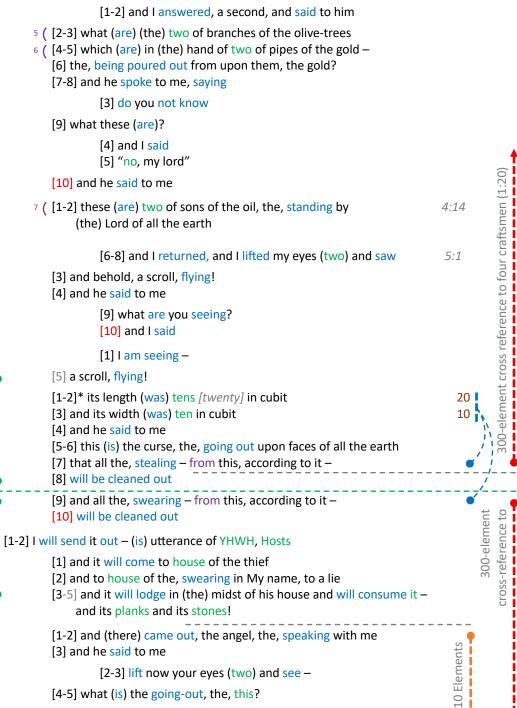
[6-7] and they will see the stone, the plumb-bob, in (the) hand of Zerubbabel

[1] and upon its left-hand?

[10] they are roaming in all the earth

[3-9]\* (the) seven (of) these (are) eyes (two) of YHWH





otal literary count, chapters 1-4:
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YHWH	230
Earth	222
Zechariah	35
Total:	487

"its length (was) tens [twenty] in cubit" | As seen elsewhere in Scripture (Dan. 3, John 21, Rev. 22), the cubit appears to have fivefold literary significance, perhaps in relation the fivefold fingers that participate in the length measurement *cubit* (the forearm). Here, the literary significance is:

- Length = 20 cubits = (20) x (5-fold) = 100-fold
- Width = 10 cubits = (10) x (5-fold) = 50-fold
- Four-sided scroll = 2 x (100-fold) + 2 x (50-fold) = 300-fold
- Area = (100-fold) x (50-fold) = 5000-fold

The 100-fold and 50-fold measures may correspond with the statures of the Stone (100-fold) and the Branch (the lampstand, 50-fold), from above. These two statures are presented in a literary twofold context, as discussed above. The layout may correspond with the four-sided scroll, having a literary 300-fold measure. The Stone and the Branch may be mirrored about the green dashed line and reflected in wooden "planks" (as a branch also is wood) and "stones." The two instances of "from this," though perhaps indicating the surfaces of the scroll, may also be a literary device indicating cross-reference measures. The two instances of "according to it" may point to the measure of this cross-reference. The 300-fold measure reaches back to the context of the four craftsmen / four winds, to the "line of measure" of the "length" and "width" of Jerusalem (1:20). The 300-fold measure also reaches forward to the cleaning out of Jerusalem because of persistent sins (7:14).

John may employ similar structuring for his gospel: a split in literary measures from a 5000-fold location. See the comments at John 6 and John 21 and the concluding notes for John's gospel. John uses a 300-fold measure as a cross-reference (300 denarii, John 11:2 to 12:5). John prominently features the thief (Judas) and the false swearer (Peter).

5:11

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[5] to the angel, the, speaking with me

[6] where (are) they bringing the ephah [basket]?

[7] and he said to me

[8] to build her a house in (the) land of Shinar [Babylonia]

[9] and (when) it has been prepared

[10] she will rest there upon her base

--- minor paragraph break<sup>11</sup> ---

(7-9)

(10-12)

(13-15)

(16-19)

[8] and I returned

[9-10] and I lifted my eyes (two) and saw

[1-4] and behold, (there were) four chariots [5-6] going out from between two of the mountains

[7] and the mountains (were) mountains of bronze

[8-10] with (the) chariot, the first, (were) horses, red

[1-3] and with (the) chariot, the second, (were) horses, black

[4-6] and with (the) chariot, the third, (were) horses, white

[7-10] and with (the) chariot, the fourth, (were) horses, dappled, strong

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[1-2] and I answered and said to the angel -
           [1] the, speaking with me
           [2] what (are) these, my lord?
           [3-4] and (there) answered, the angel, and said to me
           [5-8] these (are) (the) four winds of the heavens, having gone out from,
           [9] to stand before (the) Lord of all the earth
           [10] which, in it, the horses -
   (20)
   (21)
           [1] the black are going out toward (the) land of (the) north
           [2] and the white have gone out toward, after them
   (22)
           [3] and the dappled have gone out toward land of the south
   (23)
 (24-27)
           [4-7] and the strong have come out and seek, to go, to roam in (the) earth
           [8] and he said
"Four Chariots"
           [9-10] go, roam in (the) earth
           [1] and they roamed in (the) earth
           [2-4] and he cried out to me and spoke to me, saying
                    [3] see –
           [5] the, going out toward (the) land of (the) north,
           [6] have made to rest, My Spirit, in (the) land of (the) north!
  --- minor paragraph break<sup>12</sup> ---
  [3-4] and (there) was, word of YHWH, to me, saying
                    [4] to take from with the exile -
           [7-9] from Heldai and from, with Tobijah, and from, with Jedaiah –
                    [5-6] and come, you, in (the) day, the that
                    [7-8] and go (to) house of Josiah, son of Zephaniah -
           [10] which, they have come from Babylon -
                    [9-10] and take silver and gold and make a crown
                    [1-2] and place (it) upon (the) head of Joshua, son of Jehozadak
                    [3-4] the priest, the great
                    [5-6] and speak to him, saying
  [5-6] thus says YHWH, Hosts, saying
  [7] behold, (it is) a Man
  [8] "Branch" (is) His name
  [9] and from under Him, He shall branch out
  [10] and He shall build the temple of YHWH
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[1] and He will build the temple of YHWH [2] and He will bear majesty [3-4] and He shall sit and shall rule upon His throne [5-6] and He shall become Priest upon His throne [7-8] and (the) counsel of peace shall be between (the) two of them [1-5]\* and the crown shall become to Helem and to Tobijah and to Jedaiah and to Hen, son of Zephaniah, [6] for a reminder in (the) temple of YHWH [7-8] and (the) distant (people) shall come and shall build at (the) temple of YHWH [9] and you (all) will know -[9-10] that YHWH, Hosts, has sent me to you [10] and it will happen -[1-2] if, to hear, you hear at voice of YHWH, your God! 6:15 --- minor paragraph break<sup>13</sup> ---[1-5] and it happened, in year of four to Darius, the king 7:1 [6-9] (there) was, word of YHWH, to Zechariah in four to month, [10] the ninth – in *Chislev* [3] and (there) sent – Bethel – Sharezer [4-6] and Regem Melech and its men, to entreat the faces of YHWH [7] saying to the priests [8-9] who (were) to (the) house of YHWH, Hosts [10] and to the prophets, saying [1-2] should I weep in month, the fifth, to consecrate [3] as which, I have done this, as what, years? --- major paragraph break<sup>14</sup> ---[1-2] and (there) was, word of YHWH, Hosts, to me, saying [7-8] speak to all (the) people of the land and to the priests, saying [4-5] when you fasted and, to wail, in fifth [6] and in seventh [7-8] and this sevens [seventy] years – 70 [9-10] to fast, did you fast (for) Me, Myself? [1-2] and as you ate and as you drank [3-4] was it not (for) yourselves, the eating [5] and (for) yourselves, the drinking?

"and the crown shall become... for a reminder" | This construction counts as two literary elements due to the use of the verb *become*. The count expands further due to the series of names in between.

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Zechariah

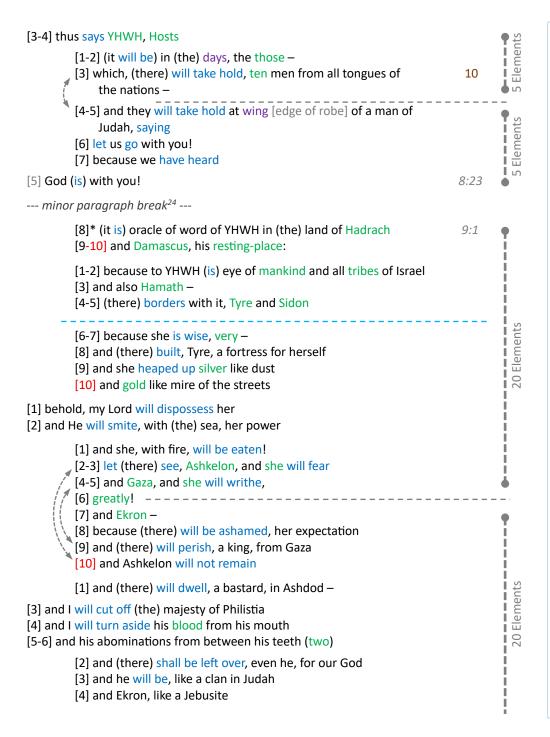
[3] were not (these) the words [4-5] which (there) called out, YHWH, in hand of the prophets, the former [1-2] in (there), to be, Jerusalem, dwelling and quiet -[3] and her cities around her? [4-5] and the South and the lowland, dwelling? --- major paragraph break<sup>15</sup> ---[1-2] and (there) was, word of YHWH to Zechariah, saying [3-4] thus says YHWH, Hosts, saying [1] judgment of truth, judge! [2-3] and lovingkindness and compassions, do, a man with his brother [4-7] and a widow and an orphan, a stranger and a poor (person), do not oppress [8] and evil of a man (against) his brother, do not devise in your hearts [9-10] but they refused, to listen! [1-2] and they set a shoulder, being stubborn [3-4] and their ears (two), they stopped, from, to hear [5-6] and their heart, they set (like) flint, from, to hear the law [7] and the words [5-6] which (there) had sent, YHWH, Hosts, by His Spirit in hand of the prophets, [7] the former [8-9] and (there) was wrath, great, from with YHWH, [10] Hosts! 300-element cross-reference to 5:3 [1] and it happened [9] as which, he called out [8] and they did not listen [9] so they called out [2] and I did not listen [3-4] said YHWH, Hosts! [5] and I scattered them upon all the nations [10] which they had not known [1] and the land was desolated after them [2-3] from, passing through, and from, returning [4-5] and they set (the) land of desire, to horror 7:14 --- major paragraph break<sup>16</sup> ---

Zechariah [1-2] and (there) was, word of YHWH, Hosts, saying Elem. [3-4] thus says YHWH, Hosts [5-6] I am jealous for Zion (with) a jealousy, great [7] and (with) a wrath -[9] thus says YHWH [10] I have returned to Zion [1] and I will dwell in (the) midst of Jerusalem [1] and (there) shall be called – Jerusalem – City of the Truth [2-3] and Mountain of YHWH, Hosts [4] Mountain of the Holiness --- minor paragraph break<sup>17</sup> ---Elements [2-3] thus says YHWH, Hosts [5-6] again, (there) will sit, old (men) and old (women) in (the) wide-spaces of Jerusalem [7] and a man, his staff (being) in his hand from greatness of days [8] and (the) wide-spaces of the city will be filled – [9-10] boys and girls playing in her wide-spaces --- minor paragraph break<sup>18</sup> ---**●** ■ ■ Elements [4-5] thus says YHWH, Hosts [1-2] because it is marvelous in (the) eyes (two) of (the) remnant of (the) people, [3] the, this, in (the) days, ● ■ ■ ■ Elements [4] the, those [6-7] also in My eyes (two), should it be marvelous? – (is) utterance of YHWH, [8] Hosts --- major paragraph break<sup>19</sup> ---[9-10] thus says YHWH, Hosts Elements [1-2] behold, I am saving My people from land of (the) east [ancient times] and from land of (the) set of the sun <u>ب</u> س [3] and I will bring them [5-6] and they will dwell in (the) midst of Jerusalem and will be, to Me, Elements to [as] a people [4-5] and I will be, to them, to [as] God, in truth [6] and in righteousness --- minor paragraph break<sup>20</sup> ---

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[7-8] thus says YHWH, Hosts
         [7-8] let (there) be strong, your hands (two) – the, hearing in (the) days,
         [9] the, these – the words,
         [10] the, these, from mouth of the prophets -
                  [10] which (were) -
         [1-2] in day (there) was founded, (the) house of YHWH, Hosts
         [3] the temple to be built
         [4-5] because before the days, the, those – wage of the man, (there) was not
         [6-7] and wage of the beast, (there) was not (to) it
         [8-9] and to (him) going out and to (him) coming in
         [10] (there) was not peace from the adversary
[9] and I sent every, the man -
[10] a man against his neighbor
[1-2] and now – not like (the) days, the former – I (will be) to (the) remnant of the
     people,
[3-4] the this – (is) utterance of YHWH, Hosts
         [1] for (there) (will be) seed of the peace
         [2] the vine will give her fruit
         [3] and the land will give her produce
                                                                                           18 Elements
         [4] and the heavens will give their dew
[5-6] and I will possess (the) remnant of the people, the this –
[7] all of these
         [5] and it will be
         [6-7] as which, you have been a curse among nations – (O) house of Judah
             and house of Israel -
[8] so I will save you
         [8] and you will be a blessing
         [9-10] do not fear, let (there) be strong, your hands (two)!
--- minor paragraph break<sup>21</sup> ---
[9-10] for thus says YHWH, Hosts
[1-2] as which, I purposed, to do harm to you
                                                                                           Elements
         [1] in (the), to provoke to anger – your fathers – Me
[3-4] says YHWH, Hosts
[5] and I did not relent! -
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[1] so I have returned
[2-3] I have purposed – in (the) days, the these – to make good, Jerusalem
[4] and (the) house of Judah
         [2] do not fear!
         [3-4] these (are) the things which you shall do:
         [5] speak truth -
                                                                                            Elements
         [6] a man with his neighbor, truth -
         [7] and judgment of peace, judge in your gates
         [8] and a man – (the) evil of [toward] his neighbor – do not devise in your
              heart
         [9] and an oath of falsehood, do not love
         [10] because all these (are) -
[5-6] which I hate – (is) utterance of YHWH
--- minor paragraph break<sup>22</sup> ---
[7-8] and (there) was, word of YHWH, Hosts, to me, saying
                                                                                            7 Elements
[9-10] thus says YHWH, Hosts
         [1] (the) fast of the fourth
         [2] and (the) fast of the fifth
         [3] and (the) fast of the seventh
         [4] and (the) fast of the tenth shall become, for (the) house of Judah:
                                                                                            7 Elements
         [5-6] to joy and to gladness
         [7-8] and to appointed-times, good
         [9-10] and the truth and the peace, you shall love
--- major paragraph break<sup>23</sup> ---
[1-2] thus says YHWH, Hosts
          [1-2] again (it will be), which, (there) shall come, peoples
         [3-4] and (those) dwelling of cities, many
         [5-6] and they will go – (the) dwelling of one to one [another] –
         [7] saying
        [8-9] let us walk, to go -
        10 to entreat (the) faces of YHWH
         [1-2] and to seek YHWH, Hosts
          [3-4] I go – even I!
          [5-6] and (there) shall come, peoples, many
         [7-8] and nations, mighty, to seek YHWH,
         [9] Hosts in Jerusalem
         [10] and to entreat (the) faces of YHWH
--- minor paragraph break<sup>24</sup> ---
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	Ch. 1-4	Ch. 5-8	Total
YHWH	230	110	340
Earth	222	360	582
Zechariah	35	35	70
Total:	487	505	992

"(it is) oracle of word of YHWH in (the) land of Hadrach" | Like the opening of the book of Haggai ("word of YHWH in hand of Haggai"), the placement of the oracle "in (the) land of Hadrach" appears to shift the literary elements into the subject column of Hadrach, which is the earthly subject column.

If literary counts are accurate, the total count reaches thousandfold at the blue dashed line. The placement of "wise, very" may be associated with the location of this thousandfold.

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20 Elements
[7-8] and I will encamp to My house – a Guard
         [5-6] from (him) passing through and from (him) returning
         [7-8] and (there) shall not pass through upon them again, (him) oppressing
[9-10] because now I have seen with My eyes (two)!
--- minor paragraph break<sup>24</sup> ---
         [9-10] rejoice, greatly, (O) daughter of Zion!
         [1] shout, (O) daughter of Jerusalem!
         [2] behold, your King comes to you
         [3-4] righteous, and having salvation, (is) He
         [5-6] humble and riding upon a donkey
         [7-8] and upon a colt, a foal of female-donkeys
[1-2] and I will cut off chariot from Ephraim and horse from Jerusalem
         [9] and (there) will be cut off, bow of war
         [10] and He shall speak peace to nations
         [1] and his rule (shall be) from sea unto sea
         [2] and from (the) river [Euphrates] unto ends of the earth –
                                                                                            Elements
         [3] even you, with blood of your covenant -
[3] I will send your prisoners from (the) pit
         [4] there is not water in it
         [5] return to (the) stronghold, prisoners of the hope!
[4] even today, (I) am declaring
[5-6] double, I will return to you
[7] because I have bent to Myself, Judah
[8] a bow, I have filled (with) Ephraim
[9] and I will stir up your sons, (O) Zion, against your sons, (O) Javan [Greece]
[10] and I will wield you like a sword of (the) mighty
[1] and YHWH, over them, will be seen
[2] and (there) will go out like lightning, His arrow
[3] and my Lord,
[4] YHWH, with a trumpet, will sound!
[5] and He will go with tempests of (the) south
[6-7] YHWH, Hosts, will defend over them
                                                                                            Elements
         [1] and they will devour
         [2] and they will subdue stones of (the) sling
         [3] and they will drink
         [4] they will roar as (from) wine
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         [5-6] and they will fill, like a basin, like corners of (the) altar
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[8-9] and (there) will save them, YHWH their God, in day [10] the that, like a flock of His people

[7-8] because (they are) stones [jewels] of a crown, being conspicuous over His land

- [1] for what [how great] (is) His goodness!
- [2] and what [how great] (is) His beauty!

[9] grain, (the) young-men -

[10] and new-wine will make flourish, (the) virgins

9:17

[1] ask from YHWH rain in time of latter-rain -

10:1

Elements

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- [3] YHWH making storm-clouds
- [4] and rain-showers will give to them –
- [5] to a man, grass in (the) field
  - [2] because the idols speak wickedness
  - [3-4] and the, practicing divination, see a lie
  - [5] and dreams of the emptiness, they speak
  - [6] (with) futility, they console
  - [7] upon thus, they set out like a flock
  - [8] they are afflicted
  - [9-10] because there is not, (him) shepherding

--- major paragraph break<sup>25</sup> ---

- [1] upon those, shepherding
- [1] (there) burns, My anger!
  - [2] and upon the male-goats [leaders]
- [2] I will punish!
- [3-4] because (there) will visit, YHWH, Hosts, His flock,
- [5] (the) house of Judah
- [6] and He will set them like a horse of His splendor in war
  - [3] from Him (is) (the) cornerstone
  - [4] from Him (is) (the) peg
  - [5] from Him (is) (the) bow of war
  - [6-7] from Him (there) goes out, everyone ruling, together
  - [8-9] and they will be like mighty (men), trampling in (the) mud of (the) streets, in battle
  - [10] and they will fight
- [7] because YHWH (is) with them

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[1] and they will put to shame -

[2] the, riding horses

[8] and I will strengthen (the) house of Judah

[9] and (the) house of Joseph, I will save

[10] and I will bring back, them

[1] for I have compassion on them

[3] and they will be, as though -

[2] I had not rejected them

[3-4] for I (am) YHWH, their God

[5] and I will answer them! -

[4] and they will be, like mighty (men) of Ephraim

[5] and (there) will rejoice, their heart, as (with) wine

[6-7] and their sons will see and will be glad

[8] (there) will rejoice, their heart, in YHWH

[1-2] let Me whistle for them, and let Me gather them

[3] because I have redeemed them

[9-10] and they will be many, as they will be many!

[4] and I scattered them among peoples

[1] and in distant-places, they will remember Me

[2] and they will live

[3] with their sons, they will return

[5] and I will bring back, them, from (the) land of Egypt

[6] and from Assyria, I will gather them

[7-8] and to land of Gilead and Lebanon, I will bring them

[4] and (there) will not be found (room) for them

[5] and he shall pass by, in (the) sea, distress

[6] and he shall smite, in (the) sea, waves

[7] and (there) will dry up, all depths of the Nile

[8] and (there) will go down, (the) majesty of Assyria

[9] and (the) scepter of Egypt will turn aside

[9] and I will make strong, them, in YHWH

[10] and in His name they will walk

[10] (is) utterance of YHWH

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[1-2] open, Lebanon, your doors (two)
                                                                                          Elements
         [3] and let eat, fire, at your cedars
         [4] wail, fir-tree!
         [5] because (there) has fallen, (the) cedar
         [6-7] (those) which (are) noble, are devastated
         [8] wail, oaks of Bashan! -----
         [9-10] because (there) has gone down, (the) forest, the vintage
                                                                                          Elements
         [1-2] (it is) a voice of wail of those shepherding!
         [3] because (there) is devastated, their glory
         [4] (it is) a voice of roar of lions
         [5] because (there) is devastated, (the) pride of the Jordan
--- minor paragraph break<sup>27</sup> ---
[1-2] thus says YHWH, my God
                  [1] shepherd (the) flock of the slaughter!
         [1-2] which, (those) buying them, slaughter them
         [3] and are not held guilty
         [4-5] and (those) selling them, say
[3] "being blessed, (is) YHWH!
         [6] and I became rich!"
         [7-8] and (those) shepherding them do not pity over them
[4-5] for I will not pity, longer -
         [9] upon (those) dwelling (in) the land –
[6] (is) utterance of YHWH
[7] and behold, I am causing to find, the man –
[8-9] a man in hand of his neighbor and in hand of his king
         [10] and they shall crush the land
[10] and I will not deliver from their hand
                  [2-3] and I shepherded (the) flock of the slaughter, to thus -
                       poor of the flock
                  [4-5] and I took to myself two staffs
                  [6-7] to one I called, "favor"
                  [8-9] and to one I called, "union"
                  [10] and I shepherded the flock
                  [1-3] and I annihilated three of those -
                  [4] shepherding - in moon, one
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YHWH

Zechariah [5] and (there) became short [impatient], my soul, with them [1] and also their soul abhorred at me [1] and I said [2] I will not shepherd you -[2-3] the dying, let it die! [4-5] and the, being annihilated, let it be annihilated! [1-2] and (of) those remaining – let (there) eat, a woman, (the) flesh of her neighbor [3-4] and I took my staff, "favor" [5-6] and I broke in two, it [7] to annul my covenant [8] which I had cut with all the peoples [9-10] and it was annulled in day, the that [3-4] and (there) knew, thus, (the) poor of the flock, the watching me [1] that word of YHWH, it (was) [1] and I said to them [5-6] if, good (it is) in your eyes (two) [7] give my wage [8] and if (it is) not [9] refrain [10] and they weighed my wage: [2] and (there) said, YHWH, to me [2] throw it to the potter – [3] (the) glory of the price which I was valued from over them 69 Elements [4] and I took it -[5-7] threes [thirty] -30 [8] the silver -[9-10] and I threw it (to) house of YHWH, to the potter [1-2] and I broke in two my staff, the second – [3] the, "union" – to annul the brotherhood between Judah [4] and between Israel

"threes [thirty], silver" | If literary counts are accurate, the middle element of this chiasm (the 70<sup>th</sup> element) occurs at the fifth of thirty pieces of silver. This fivefold design may correspond, prophetically, with the giving over of the subject to death. In this case, the subject will be Zechariah. In the gospels, it will be the Christ. See similar literary devices in the literary statures of Jesus in John 6 (55-fold), John 9 (not yet 50-fold), and John 21 (now 50-fold, having been betrayed unto death, and having risen).

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[3] and (there) said, YHWH, to me
                  [5] again, take to you:
                                                                                           Elements
         [4-5] (the) equipment of shepherding, foolish
[4] for behold, I am raising up
         [1] (him) shepherding in (the) land -
         [2] (to those) being annihilated,
         [3] he does not attend ----
         [4] the youth, he does not seek
         [5] and the, being broken
                                                                                           7 Elements
         [6] he does not heal
         [7] (those) standing –
         [8] he does not sustain
         [9] and flesh of the fat, he eats
         [10] and hoofs, he tears off!
--- minor paragraph break<sup>29</sup> ---
                                                                                           4 Elements
         [1] woe, (him) shepherding!
         [2] the worthless, forsaking the flock!
         [3] a sword (be) upon his arm
         [4] and upon eye,
         [5] his right -----
         [6-7] his arm, to wither, be withered
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         [8-9] and eye, his right, to be dim, be dim!
--- minor paragraph break<sup>30</sup> ---
                                                                                   11:17
         [10] (it is) oracle of word of YHWH upon Israel
                                                                                   12:1
[5] (is) utterance of YHWH,
[6-7] stretching out (the) heavens and founding (the) earth
[8] and forming (the) spirit of man in his midst
--- major paragraph break<sup>30</sup> ---
[9] behold, I am placing Jerusalem:
         [1] a cup of stagger to all the peoples around
         [2] and also upon Judah, it will be, in (the) siege upon Jerusalem
         [3-4] and (there) will be in day, the that –
[10] I will place Jerusalem:
         [5] a stone of heaviness to all the peoples
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- [6-8] everyone carrying her to cut, will be cut
- [9] and (there) will gather against her, all nations of the earth
- [1-2] in day, the that (is) utterance of YHWH I will strike every horse with confusion
  - [10] and (those) riding him, with madness
- [3-4] and upon house of Judah, I will open My eyes (two)
- [5] and every horse of the peoples, I will strike with blindness
  - [1] and (there) will say, chiefs of Judah in their heart
  - [2-3] a strength to me (are) (those) dwelling in Jerusalem, through YHWH, Hosts,
  - [4] their God
- [6-7] in day, the that, I will place (the) chiefs of Judah:
  - [5-6] like a basin of fire with wood and like a torch of fire with a sheaf
  - [7-8] and they will eat upon (the) right-hand and upon (the) left-hand, all the peoples around
  - [9-10] and (there will be), having been inhabited, Jerusalem, again, under her [in her place] in Jerusalem
- --- major paragraph break<sup>31</sup> ---
- [8] and (there) will save, YHWH, (the) tents of Judah, in first
  - [1-2] in order that there may not surpass (the) glory of (the) house of David and glory of (him) dwelling in Jerusalem above Judah
- [9-10] in day, the that, (there) will defend, YHWH -
  - [3] behind (him) dwelling in Jerusalem
  - [4-5] and (there) will be, (him) stumbling among them in day, the that, like David
  - [6-7] and (the) house of David (will be) like God, like (the) Angel of YHWH before them
- [1-2] and (there) will be, in day, the that –
- [3-4] I will seek, to destroy all the nations
  - [8] the, coming upon Jerusalem
- [5] and I will pour out upon house of David -
  - [9-10] and upon (him) dwelling in Jerusalem (the) Spirit of grace, and supplications

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[1-2] and they will look toward Me, whom they have pierced , [3] and they will lament over Him as a lament over the only [4] and to be bitter over Him -----[5] as, to be bitter over the firstborn [6-7] in day, the that, (there) will become great, the lament in Jerusalem [8-9] as (the) lament of Hadad-Rimmon, [10] in plain of Megiddo [1] and (there) shall lament, the land: [2-3] families, families, by themselves [4] (the) family of house of David by itself [5] and their wives by themselves [6] (the) family of house of Nathan by itself [7] and their wives by themselves [8] (the) family of house of Levi by itself [9] and their wives by themselves [10] (the) family of the Shimeites by itself [1] and their wives by themselves [2] all the families, the, remaining -[3-4] families, families, by themselves

[5] and their wives by themselves

--- minor paragraph break<sup>32</sup> ---

[1-2] in day, the that, (there) will be a fountain, having been opened to house of David

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[3-4] and to (those) dwelling in Jerusalem – for sin and for impurity

[1-2] and (there) will be, in day, the that – (is) utterance of YHWH,

[3] Hosts –

[4] I will cut off (the) names of the idols from the land

[5] and they will not be remembered again

[5-6] and also, the prophets and spirit of the uncleanness, I will remove from the earth

[1-2] and it will be, when (there) prophesies, a man, again

[3-4] and (there) will say to him, his father and his mother who were begetting him

[5] you shall not live!

[6] because a lie, you have spoken in name of YHWH!

[7-8] and (there) will pierce through, him, his father and his mother who were begetting him

[9] in his, to prophesy

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	Ch. 1-4	Ch. 5-8	Ch. 9-12	Total
YHWH	230	110	95	435
Earth	222	360	248	830
Zechariah	35	35	70	140
Total:	487	505	413	1405

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[10] and it will be, in day -
         [1] the that
         [2] (there) will be ashamed, the prophets –
         [3] a man, from his vision, in his, to prophesy
         [4-5] and they will not wear a mantle of hair, in order to deceive
         [1] and he will say
         [2] not a prophet, (am) I
         [3-4] a man, working (the) ground, (am) I
         [5] because a man sold me from my youth
         [6] and (a man) will say to him
         [7] what (are) the wounds,
         [8-9] the these, between your hands (two)?
         [10] and he will say
         [1] which, I was smitten
         [2] (in) house of (those) loving me
--- minor paragraph break<sup>33</sup> ---
         [3] (O) sword, awake
         [4] upon My, (Him) shepherding!
         [5-6] and upon a Man, My Associate!
[7-8] (is) utterance of YHWH, Hosts
         [7] strike the,
         [8] (Him) shepherding!
         [9] and let (there) be scattered, the flock!
[9] and I will turn back, My hand
         [10] upon those, being little
         [1] and (there) will be, in all the earth -
[10] (is) utterance of YHWH –
         [2-3] mouth of two in her will be cut off, -----
         [4] (it) will die
         [5] and the third will remain in her
                                                                                          Elements
[1] and I will bring the third into fire
[2-3] and I will refine them like, to refine the silver
[4-5] and I will try them like, to try the gold
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[6] He will call upon My name
[6] and I will answer Him
[7] I will say

[7] My people (is) He!
[8] and He will say

[8] YHWH (is) My God!

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[9] behold, a day is coming for YHWH

[10] and (there) will be divided, your spoil, in your midst

[9] and I will gather all the nations to Jerusalem for (the) war

- [1] and (there) will be captured, the city
- [2] and (there) will be plundered, the houses
- [3] and the women will be raped
- [4] and (there) will go out, half of the city, into captivity
- [5] and (the) remnant of the people will not be cut off from the city

[10] and (there) will go out, YHWH

[1-2] and He will fight against (the) nations, the those, as a day of His, to fight

[3] in a day of battle

[4-5] and (there) will stand, His feet (two) – in day,

[6] the that – upon Mount of Olives

[6] which (is) upon faces of Jerusalem from (the) east [ancient-times]

[7-8] and (there) will be cleaved, Mount of Olives, from its half – to east [ancient-times] and to west – (by) a valley,

[9-10] great, very

[1-2] and (there) will depart, half of the Mount to (the) north and its half to (the) south

- [3] and you shall flee (to) (the) valley of My mountains
- [4] because (there) will reach, valley of mountains, to Azal
- [5-6] and you will flee, as which, you fled from faces of the earthquake in days of Uzziah, king of Judah

[7-8] and (there) will come, YHWH, my God –

[9] all (the) holy (ones) (being) with Him

[7-8] and (there) will be, in day, the that –

[9] (there) will not be light

[10] (the) glorious (ones) will shrink

- [1] and (there) will be a day, one
- [2-3] it will be known to YHWH, not day and not night
- [4] and (there) will be, to time of evening -
- [5] (there) will be light!
- [1-2] and (there) will be, in day, the that -
- [3-4] (there) will go out, waters, alive, from Jerusalem
- [5-6] half of them toward the sea, the eastern [former]
- [7-8] and half of them toward the sea, the western [afterward]
- [9-10] in summer and in winter, it will be
- [10] and (there) will become, YHWH:
- [1] to King over all the earth
- [2-3] in day, the that, (there) will be, YHWH, one
- [4] and His name, one
  - [1-2] (there) will turn, all the land, as [into] a desert-plain, from Geba
  - [3-4] to Rimmon, south of Jerusalem
  - [5] and she will rise
  - [6-7] and she will dwell under her [in her place], to, from Gate of Benjamin unto place of gate, the former –
  - [8-9] unto Gate of the Corner, and Tower of Hananel
  - [10] unto winepresses of the king
  - [1] and they shall dwell in her
  - [2] and a thing-devoted-to-destruction, she shall not be again
  - [3] and (there) shall dwell, Jerusalem, unto security
  - [4] and this will be the plague
- [5] which, there will strike YHWH all the peoples
  - [5] who are waging war upon Jerusalem
  - [6-7] to rot, his flesh and he is standing upon his feet (two)!
  - [8-9] and his eyes (two) will rot in their hollows!
  - [10] and his tongue will rot in their mouth!
  - [1-2] and (there) will be, in (the) day, the that -
  - [3-4] (there) will be a panic of YHWH great upon them
  - [5] and (there) will prevail upon a man, (the) hand of his neighbor
  - [6] and (there) will go up, his hand, against hand of his neighbor
  - [7] and even Judah will fight at Jerusalem
  - [8] and (there) will be gathered, (the) wealth of all the nations around –
  - [9-10] gold and silver
  - [1-2] and garments, to abundance, great

- [3-6] and thus will be (the) plague of the horse, the mule, the camel, and the donkey
- [7-8] and all the beasts which will be in (the) camps, the those [9-10] (it will be) like (the) plague, the this!
- [1-2] and (there) will be all the, remaining from all the nations
- [3] the, coming upon Jerusalem
- [4-5] and they will go up from after year with [to] year, to worship to (the) King –
- [1-2] YHWH, Hosts -
  - [6] and to celebrate (the) Feast of Booths
  - [7] and it will be
  - [8-9] which, (there) does not go up from with families of the earth to Jerusalem, to worship to (the) King –
- [3-4] YHWH, Hosts -
  - [10] and (there) will not, upon him, be the rain
  - [1-2] and if (the) family of Egypt does not go up and is not coming
  - [3] and (it) (will) not (be) upon them
  - [4] (there) will be, the plague
- [5] which, (there) strikes, YHWH, the nations
  - [5-6] which do not go up, to celebrate (the) Feast of Booths
  - [7-8] this shall be the punishment of Egypt and the punishment of all the nations
  - [9-10] which do not go up, to celebrate (the) Feast of Booths
  - [1-2] in (the) day, the that, (there) will be upon bells of the horse:
  - [3] "(it is) holy to YHWH"
  - [4-5] and (there) will become, the pots in house of YHWH, as basins before the altar
  - [6-7] and (there) will become, every pot in Jerusalem and in Judah, holy to YHWH,
  - [8] Hosts
  - [9-10] and (there) will bring all, the sacrificing –
  - [1-2] and they will take from them and will boil in them
  - [3-4] and (there) will not be, a Canaanite, again, in (the) house of YHWH, Hosts, in (the) day
  - [5] the that! 14:21

If literary counts are accurate, the total literary count of the Book of Zechariah (shown below) is 1605. This number may reflect a composite literary stature, composed as follows:

1600-fold: Measurements of length and width have featured prominently:

- "to measure Jerusalem, to see, according to what (is) her width, and according to what (is) her length" (Zech 2:2 / 2:6 Heb.)
- "a scroll, flying! its length (was) tens [twenty] in cubit, its width (was) ten in cubit" (Zech 5:2, 100-fold by 50-fold, see comments)

The length/width of Jerusalem are bounded by (4x) fourfolds:

- 1. Four horns: nations scattering God's people (Zech 1:18 / 2:1 Heb.)
- 2. Four craftsmen: casting down those horns (Zech 1:20 / 2:3 Heb.)
- 3. Four winds of the heavens (Zech 2:6 / 2:10 Heb.). This fourfold is not developed in context here, but is developed at 6:5, below:
- 4. Four chariots (Zech 6:1), which are equivalent to
  - a. Four winds of the heavens (Zech 6:5): roaming, seeking rest for God's Spirit

Each of these fourfolds are presented in tenfold literary identities in local context, as shown to the left of the text in their respective passages. These fourfolds are also commissioned and/or shown to Zechariah by YHWH. The literary stature of the horns may be composed as follows: (YHWH) x (Four Horns ) x (tenfold identity) = (10) x (4) x (10) = 400-fold. Similar statures may be composed for the four craftsmen, the four chariots, and the four winds. Taken together, these four statures appear to correspond with the width and length measures for Jerusalem: (4 sides) x (400-fold) = 1600-fold.

Corresponding with this (4x) 400-fold measure is the literary conversion for all time-related values in this book, which is also 400-fold. See the table on the following page. This table follows the same time conversions observed in other books of Scripture. (Zechariah uses the conversion for "moon, one," which is 30-fold by the literary measure observed in context. This is the first instance of time measure "moon" observed in this research.)

The final fivefold in total literary count may correspond with YHWH's sovereignty over the nations. See the final fivefold in the divine subject column, on the left (this page). YHWH has already struck Jerusalem. Now He is striking the disobedient nations throughout the reaches of the earth. Thus, the total literary count of Zechariah = 1600-fold + 5-fold = 1605.

	Ch. 1-4	Ch. 5-8	Ch. 9-12	Ch. 13-14	Total
YHWH	230	110	95	40	475
Earth	222	360	248	160	990
Zechariah	35	35	70		140
Total:	487	505	413	200	1605

Time-Related Reference	Conversion
in day of tens [twenty] and four	24
nations, many, to YHWH in day, the that	1
of the land, the this, in a day, one	1
in (the) day, the that	1
toward (the) day of small (things)?	1
and come, you, in (the) day, the that	1
staff (being) in his hand from greatness of days	3
the, this, in (the) days, the, those	3
in (the) days, the these	3
in day (there) was founded, (the) house	1
because before the days, the, those	3
not like (the) days, the former	3
in (the) days, the these to make good	3
(it will be) in (the) days, the those	3
even today, (I) am declaring	1
will save them, YHWH their God, in day, the that	1
and it was annulled in day, the that	1
and (there) will be in day, the that	1
in day, the that	1
in day, the that, I will place (the) chiefs	1
in day, the that, (there) will defend, YHWH	1
in day, the that, like David	1
Subtotal:	59.0

Time-Related Reference	Conversion
and (there) will be, in day, the that	1
in day, the that, (there) will become great	1
in day, the that, (there) will be a fountain	1
(there) will be, in day, the that	1
and it will be, in day, the that	1
behold, a day is coming for YHWH	1
as a day of His, to fight	1
in a day of battle	1
in day, the that upon Mount of Olives	1
earthquake in days of Uzziah	3
and (there) will be, in day, the that	1
and (there) will be a day, one	1
not day and not night	0
and (there) will be, in day, the that	1
in day, the that, (there) will be	1
and (there) will be, in (the) day, the that	1
in (the) day, the that	1
in (the) house of YHWH, Hosts, in (the) day	1
to eleventh month	1
it (is) month	10
of Shebat	10
(there) was, word of YHWH, to Zechariah, in four	4
Subtotal:	44.0

Time-Related Reference	Conversion
to month, the ninth	10
in Chislev	10
should I weep in month, the fifth, to consecrate	10
when you fasted and, to wail, in fifth	10
and in seventh	10
(the) fast of the fourth	10
and (the) fast of the fifth	10
and (the) fast of the seventh	10
and (the) fast of the tenth shall become	10
shepherding in moon, one	30
in year of two to Darius	2
in year of two to Darius	2
indignant this sevens [seventy] years?	70
in year of four to Darius	4
as which, I have done this, as what, years?	3
and this sevens [seventy] years	70
they will go up from after year with [to] year	2
and to appointed-times, good	3
ask from YHWH rain in time of latter-rain	10
to time of evening	10
to time of evening	0.5
from land of (the) set of the sun	0.5
Subtotal:	297.0

Total: 400.0

As a literary device, the 400-fold measure for the width and length of Jerusalem may be complemented by the 20-fold and 10-fold measures for the length and width of the flying scroll. The total of these three measures may reflect a stature for adversity observed as a typical macrostructural device in Scripture (e.g., Dan. 6): 400 + 20 + 10 = 430-fold.