

# STRIKE THE SHEPHERD

ZECHARIAH 13

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I. A Fountain of Cleansing Opened (13:1; 12:10; Isa 53:10; 1 John 1:7-9)

II. Removing Idolatry and False Prophets (3:2-6; Deut 13:6-9; 1 John 5:21)

III. The Lord Strikes His Shepherd and Purifies His Sheep (3:7-9; Matt 26:31; Mal 3:2-3; 1 Pet 1:6-7)

## Reflection and Application Questions (for personal reflection and family conversation):

1. How does Christ open a fountain of cleansing for our sins? How do you receive this cleansing?
2. How is verse 7 fulfilled: "strike the shepherd"?
3. What does it mean for God to refine and test his people through fire? Why does he do this? What does this look like in real life?