

Week 25: Ezekiel

Author: Ezekiel around 593BC.

Setting: He's in exile in Babylon. The visions recorded in the book take place over 20 years while Ezekiel is in exile in Babylon (1:1, 40:1).

Themes: God is holy, Israel is wicked, God will restore.

Outline:

1 - Vision of God & Accusations Against Israel - Chapters 1-11

Glory of the Lord - **Read 1:4-28**

Watchman - **Read 3:16-21**

Parables of Judgement - **Read 4:1-17**

God's Glory Departs - **Read 10:1-5, 15-22**

New Heart - **Read 11:14-21**

2 - Judgement on Israel - Chapters 12-24

Shocking Language of Israel's Sinfulness (Chapter 16)

Soul Who Sins Shall Die - **Read 18:19-24**

3 - Judgment on Surrounding Nations - Chapters 25-32

Downfall of Satan? - **Read 28:11-19** (See also Isaiah 14:12-20)

4 - Restoration - Chapters 33-39

Jerusalem Destroyed - Chapter 33:21-29

New Spirit - **Read 36:22-32**

Dry Bones - **Read 37:1-14** (echoes of Genesis 1 & 2 creation account)

5- New Temple Vision - Chapters 40-48

Options: 1 - Literal fulfillment (3rd temple blueprints), 2 - Symbolic of God's presence with believers in the New Covenant, 3 - Vision of Heaven, 4 - Combination of 1-3. The - A return to the Garden of Eden. It's never called Jerusalem, it's called "The Lord is There"

Read 47:7-12 (echoes in Revelation 21-22)