

The Scriptures Summarized / Book 26 – Ezekiel

Like [Jeremiah](#), Ezekiel was both a [priest](#) and a prophet. He was taken captive during the 2nd of 3 [invasions](#) by Babylon. His first of three major prophetic [visions](#), occurred at age [30](#), some [5](#) years after his exile, and [6](#) years before the final [fall](#) of Jerusalem. His [entire](#) prophetic ministry takes place [outside](#) of the Holy Land.

Ezekiel's name means "[strengthened](#) by God." He was a [contemporary](#) of [Daniel](#) who is mentioned prominently in the book. The King of [Tyre](#), who claimed to be a [god](#), is questioned ...

Ezekiel 28:3 Are you [wiser](#) than Daniel? Is no secret hidden from you?

We [discover](#) that the evil [spiritual](#) influence [directing](#) this [proud](#) human king was [Satan](#).

Ezekiel 28:13 You were in Eden, the garden of God... 14 You were anointed as a guardian cherub, for so I ordained you. You were on the holy mount of God; you walked among the fiery stones. 15 You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created till wickedness was found in you.

The ministry of Ezekiel was uniquely [visual](#) rather than just [verbal](#). (**3:26**) His [unorthodox](#) methods of ministry were [symbolic](#) to gain attention and to [indicate](#) that God's people had ceased [listening](#) to His voice. God compared Ezekiel to a [watchman](#) who must sound the [alarm](#) of approaching [doom](#). Yet, Ezekiel also prophesied [hope](#). Although God's presence was going to [depart](#) from the temple, God was planning to [regather](#) His people.

The [timeless](#) truth we learn from this book (repeated [62](#) times) is "they will [know](#) that I am the [Lord](#)."

I. Prophecies announced Prior to the Fall of Jerusalem. 1-24

God discloses Himself in a spectacular vision, which provides the setting for Divine judgement upon sin. Ezekiel demonstrates through powerful object lessons the devastation that awaits Jerusalem. Ezekiel is carried by the Spirit of God back to His Capital City to see the idolatry on display. This causes the Shechinah Glory of God to depart in stages from the temple and the city. Ezekiel tries to intercede in prayer but is told ...

Ezek. 14:14 even if these three men—Noah, Daniel and Job—were in it, they could save only themselves by their righteousness, declares the Sovereign LORD.

II. Prophecies announcing Punishment on the Foes of Judah. 25-32

- A. Ammon
- B. Moab
- C. Edom
- D. Philistines
- E. Tyre
- F. Sidon
- G. Egypt

III. Prophetic announcements and Promises on the Future of the Jews 33-48

God condemns the national and spiritual leaders whose job it was to nurture His people. He would send a better shepherd for His Flock. God allows Ezekiel to see a memorable vision of old dead dry bones being restored back to life as an indication of the rebirth of the Jewish nation. This includes a reunification of the tribes. Additionally, the destroyed temple will be rebuilt and the presence of the Lord God will return as evidenced by the name “the LORD is there.”