



L3L50: Ezekiel the Watchman

Ezekiel 1-11, 33, 40-48

After the Kingdom of Israel was taken into captivity, you'd think it would have been too late for a prophet to warn the people. After all, what is the point of warning someone of something that has already happened? Well, God had a very special message of warning for Israel through His prophet Ezekiel. Ezekiel was told to be a "watchman" for the house of Israel. At the time, Ezekiel was living among the captives of the Babylonians. God gave him some very unique instructions, signs that he should perform to reinforce the warning message he proclaimed. So who was the message for? It was for the house of Israel in the future, at the Time of the End—today.

Discuss:

- What is the role of a watchman? Why did God give him this job?
- Why did God tell Ezekiel to build a clay model of Jerusalem? What do you think the people thought of Ezekiel for setting up the model?
- Even though God was warning of punishment for Israel, what did God tell Ezekiel He would do in the end? What does it mean when God says He will give the people a "Heart of flesh"?
- The final chapters of Ezekiel describe the temple complex in the Millennium. What parts of what he describes stand out to you the most? What are you most looking forward to seeing?
- According to Ezekiel 47, what will happen to the Dead Sea in Israel during the Millennium?
- What will be the name of the city during the Millennium period? Why do you think God will choose that name for it?



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Memory Challenge:

Ezekiel 11:19-20

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