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INTRODUCTION

To God be the glory great things He has done. We thank God for granting us another opportunity to have new Sunday School lessons for this year. We want to commend the efforts of our Sunday School lessons' writers who doubled the work with pastoral, lecturing and extra ministerial activities. Yet, they were able to give us standard and well researched write ups. May the good Lord bless them in the name of Jesus Christ.

We can't but applaud you our readers for your cooperation and supports in prayer, counsels, annual patronage in purchasing the booklets despite of increment in the price due to economic situation and inflation in our country. It is our prayer that all things shall be well in Nigeria and the world at large. Brethren, we urge you not to relent your efforts in loving cooperation. Kindly, continue to send to us your loving and godly pieces of advice. It is our strong belief that this will go a long way to make our Sunday School lessons more effective, productive and relevant to the society and nation building.

The book God has laid in the heart of the Sunday School Department, Ministry of Christian Education of this denomination is the book of Prophet Ezekiel. We shall study the first part this year, while we conclude the second part next year. In additions, we have three special lessons on Palm Sunday, Easter and Christmas Sunday. All together; we have 52 lessons with daily Bible readings and topics in this booklet. They are academically and spiritually prepared to meet our needs this year. We must not study them; devotionally, doctrinally and dispensationally.

Book of Ezekiel is on the destruction of Jerusalem and its restoration. The Prophet presents his prophecy often in an image and proverbial form. Therefore, you need to read your Bible with the discoveries of our writers/researchers in the Sunday School Booklet to help you comprehend the lessons. There is a brief introduction on the book of Ezekiel, we admonish our teachers and students to read them in order to widen the horizon of their theological and biblical knowledge. Thanks, and remain blessed in Jesus Christ's name. Amen. Shalom!

Yours in Christ,

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INTRODUCTION TO THE BOOK OF EZEKIEL

AUTHOR:

The author, whose name means "God Strengthens," is identified as Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi" (1:3). He was probably a member of the Zadokite priestly family that came into prominence during the reforms of Josiah (621 B.C.) He was trained in the priesthood during the reign of Jehoiakim, was deported to Babylon in 597BC, and settled in Tel Abib on the Chebar Canal near Nippur. His ministry overlapped Jeremiah's

DATE: Ezekiel's call came to him in 593 B.C., fifth year of Jehoiachin's reign. The latest date given for an oracle is probably 571 B.C. making his ministry about twenty years long. The death of his wife occurred about the time of destruction of Jerusalem in 587 B.C. Exiled in the second siege of Jerusalem, he wrote to those yet in Jerusalem about its imminent and total destruction, including the departure of God's presence. Parts were also apparently written after Jerusalem's overthrow.

CONTENT:

Ezekiel's personality reflects a mystical strain. The immediacy of his contact with the Spirit, his visions, and the frequency with which the word of the Lord came to him provide a connection between the older ecstatic prophets and the classical writing prophets. His spiritual experiences also anticipated the activity of the Holy Spirit in the New Testament. To him rightly belongs the title "charismatic".

Ezekiel's message was addressed to a demoralized remnant of Judah exiled in Babylon. The moral responsibility of the individuals is a primary theme in his message. Corporate responsibility no longer shields the individual. Each individual must accept personal responsibility for the national calamity. Each individual is responsible for his or her individual sin. It is the weight of the cumulative sin of each individual that contributed to the breaking of God's covenant with Israel, and bears a share of the blame for the judgment that resulted in exile to Babylon.

The book is easily divided into three sections: Judah's judgment (chs 4-24), the heathen nation's judgment (chs 25-32), and future blessings for God's covenant people (chs 33-48).

As you study the book of Ezekiel, study it with passion and you shall be blessed in the name of Jesus. Amen.

JANUARY 4, 2026

LESSON 1

EZEKIEL'S CALL AND THE OPENING VISION

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 1:1-14

THE MEMORY VERSE:- "... as I was among the captives by the river of Chebar, that the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God" (Ezekiel 1:1b)

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	29/12/2025	The burning bush	Exodus 3:1-4
Tuesday	30/12/2025	The call because of the oppressed	Exodus 3:5-9
Wednesday	31/12/2025	The greatest Caller	Exodus 3:10-14
Thursday	1/12/2026	A call as a Prophet	Jeremiah 1:4-10
Friday	2/1/2026	What do you see?	Jeremiah 1:11-19
Saturday	3/1/2026	The living creatures like man	Ezekiel 1:1-7
Sunday	4/1/2026	The living creatures with different faces	Ezekiel 1:8-14

INTRODUCTION

The Lord loved the people of Israel but it was unfortunately, they did not love Him. The people of Israel were disobedient to God and sinned. God had said through the prophets e.g. Amos, Hosea, Isaiah, Jeremiah etc that, if they continued in their sins and did not obey Him, they would go into slavery for a period of time (II Kings 17:7-23) But, most often, the people did not repent and return to Him (II Kings 21:3-7). So, the people at Northern Kingdom were taken to exile in 722 BC by the Assyria. One would expect the people at the Southern Kingdom to learn from their counterpart, nevertheless, they continued in their sins. In 612 BC, Nineveh the capital of Assyria fell to Babylon. Nebuchadnezzar led a military expedition to Jerusalem during Jehoiakim (Eliakim). He forced them to pay heavy tax but they refused. As a result of this, he took away part of the sacred vessels from the Temple. Daniel and royal intelligentsia were taken away in 606 BC which was the beginning of 70 years prophesied by Jeremiah. Our lessons in the book of Ezekiel record how the second and third deportations to Babylon took place during Jehoiachin (597 B.C.) and Mattaniah (whose name was changed to Zedekiah) in 586 B.C. We also know in this generation that God loves us but he hates sin. Whenever we cherish iniquity in our heart, we open our lives to danger and enslavement by the devil and his cohorts. Therefore, repent now, the wages of sin is death. (Romans 6:23)

THE LESSON

I. EZEKIEL'S BACKGROUND AND CALL - 1:1-3

(a) Ezekiel's Background – vs 1a, 2, 3b

Ezekiel was from a priestly family in Jerusalem, destined to serve in the Temple. His father was Buz (vs 3a). He was among the exiles taken to Babylon in 597 B.C. He was probably to be among the second deportation while Daniel and the three Hebrew men were among the first deportation. His location at exile

was in the land of the Chaldeans by river Chebar. The location was in southern Mesopotamia. Modern scholarship favors the Shatt en-Nil or Khabur (1 Chron, 5:26), which was a canal that branched off the Euphrates and flowed through Nippur in Iraq. Though, Ezekiel might have not committed any sin, but the sins of the country affected him. Parents and the community leaders must be careful not to put their people in problem. And if you find yourself in an unwanted situation, do not forsake your God like Ezekiel, he would still single you out for special assignment.

(b) Ezekiel's Call- vs 1d, 3a, d

While in exile, near the river chebar, he received a call to be a prophet at the age of 30 in the fourth month, on the fifth day in 593 B.C. It was the fifth year of the exile of King Jehoi'achin. His call came through opened heavens and he saw the visions of God. (vs 1d) The word of the Lord came to him (vs 3a), and the hand of the Lord was upon him there (vs 3d). It is very glaring that Ezekiel had a good parenting and background as a son of the priest. Even at exile he received a call as a prophet to nations. Our students in school must learn from this, while some turn to pastors in school, some turn to cultists. Who are you when you are not under your parents? All of us must get closer to God in the time of challenges in order to be deeper in Him.

II. EZEKIEL'S OPENING VISION -

1:4-14

Ezekiel saw a storm cloud coming from the north. In the midst of the storm four flaming, winged creatures appeared. Each combined human and animal characteristics (much like some of the minor deities depicted in ancient Near Eastern art) vs 4-5. The descriptions of these four living creatures were so frightening. They had four faces (face of a man, a lion, an ox, and an eagle, vs 10) four wings (vs 11), their legs were straight, the soles of their feet were like the soles of a calf's foot, and human hands under the four wings (7-9). Thus, their wings touched one another; they went every one straight forward, without turning as they went. In the midst of the living creatures was something that looked like burning coals of fire, like torches moving to and fro, so brightening and lightning. This vision symbolizes the appearance of angelic or heavenly beings in human, animal and bird form. God can use anything to communicate his mind to his people. We must be sensitive when God speaks to us either in visions or dreams. We should not say dreams are fools. It might not be direct, but, it is meaningful, do not play with it.

QUESTIONS

1. Mention the three stages of deportation to Babylon by Nebuchadnezzar
2. Explain the background of Ezekiel.
3. How and where was he called?
4. What can we learn from his call?
5. Describe the opening vision of Ezekiel and the lesson derived from it.

JANUARY 11, 2026

LESSON 2

THE VISION OF THE LIVING CREATURES

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 1:15-28

THE MEMORY VERSE:- "Now as I beheld the living creatures, behold one wheel upon the earth by the living creatures, with his four faces". (Ezekiel 1:15)

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	5/1/2026	Vision of the Glorious man	Daniel 10:1-9
Tuesday	6/1/2026	Vision of the Throne of God	Revelation 4:1-4
Wednesday	7/1/2026	The Living Creatures adore Him	Revelation 4:5-11
Thursday	8/1/2026	The Seraphim Worship Him	Isaiah 6:1-5
Friday	9/1/2026	Who shall I send?	Isaiah 6:6-10
Saturday	10/1/2026	The Spirit of the Living Creatures	Ezekiel 1:15-20
Sunday	11/1/2026	The Glory of the Lord	Ezekiel 1:21-28

INTRODUCTION

In the first lesson, we are familiar with the description of the four living creatures saw by Ezekiel. The descriptions of these four living creatures were so frightening. They had four faces; which are; face of a man, a lion, an ox, and an eagle (vs 10). The lesson also described their legs and the pace of their moment. Our lesson today discusses more description of the living creatures with the wheel attached to each of them. The revelation of God is always progressive. If we build our intimacy with God without breaking it, he shows us more mystery of life and his kingdom. (Mark 4:11-12).

THE LESSON

I. THE LIVING CREATURES AND THE WHEEL - 1:15-21

Accompanying each creature in all its movements was a large wheel which looked alike. The appearance of each wheel was like the gleaming of a chrysolite; their construction being as it was a wheel within wheel. The four wheels had rims and spokes and their rims were full of eyes turning round about. The amazing thing was that, the spirit of the living creatures was in the wheels, when the living creature rose or stood, the wheels also did same. This may be interpreted as the unity of heavenly angels in carrying out their duties on earth on anybody sent them to. We only can be in good term with our angels or the Holy Spirit who is our companion, if we do the will of God. The day you are separated from your angel, that is the day you are exposed to attack from the devil. As the wheels contain eyes, the eye of the Lord is watching your movement and follows you to everywhere you go. Therefore, desist from evil.

II. THE GENUFLECTION OF THE LIVING CREATURES - 1:22- 25

Over the heads of the living creatures there was the likeness of a firmament, shining like crystal, spread out above the heads and under the firmament their two wings each stretched out straight and two wings each covering its body. Whenever they moved the wings sounded like many waters and the thunder of the Almighty, a sound of tumult like the sound of a host. When they stood still, a voice came from above the firmament over their heads; they let down their wings. The vision of Ezekiel resembled the encounter Isaiah had that led to his commission as a prophet (Isaiah 6:1-8). Therefore, to call the living creatures, angels, most especially, seraphim might not be too far from the truth. As angels let their wings to worship God, in the same manner the living creatures did. We must not be too big to render our worship to God as do by the angels.

III. THE THRONE ABOVE THE LIVING CREATURES - 1:26-28

Above the firmament was a throne made of precious stone. He saw a human figure, glowing like fire and surrounded by radiant splendor, sat on the throne. Realizing that he was seeing a representation of God's glory, Ezekiel fell with his face to the ground. Definitely, the Lord revealed His glory to Ezekiel through an elaborate and imagery vision. Any time we see an appearance of an enigmatic human in the Old Testament, it is a point to the Son of man in the New Testament, which is Jesus Christ. As you begin

this New Year, do everything possible to seek the face of God. Do not be satisfied until Jesus reveals Himself to you. The joy in it is that, you can't see the revelation of heaven and your life remains the same again. Can you bow down your head and pray, Jesus! Reveal yourself to me this year.

QUESTIONS

1. How does God's revelation work?
2. What accompanied the living creatures in their movement and how do they look like?
3. Which book contains similar imagery as in Ezekiel 1:22-25?
4. What and who did Ezekiel see above the firmament?
5. What do you suppose to do in the New Year?

JANUARY 18, 2026

LESSON 3

THE COMMISSION OF EZEKIEL

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 2:1-10

THE MEMORY VERSE:- "And he said unto me, son of man stand upon thy feet, and I will speak unto thee". (Ezekiel 2:1)

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	12/1/2026	A New Leader is Discovered	Deut. 31:1-4
Tuesday	13/1/2026	Be a Courageous Leader	Deut. 31:5-8
Wednesday	14/1/2026	God's Commission to Joshua	Joshua 1:1-9
Thursday	15/1/2026	The Call of Disciples	Matthew 10:1-4
Friday	16/1/2026	The Mission of the Disciples	Matthew 10:5-15
Saturday	17/1/2026	The Mission of the Son of Man	Ezekiel 2:1-5
Sunday	18/1/2026	The Fearless Man	Ezekiel 2:6-10

INTRODUCTION

The fact remains, many are called, few are commissioned. Calling without commissioning is like a law student who graduated from university without going to neither law school nor being called to bar. Such, cannot be addressed as a lawyer. A minister of God might be seen as a full fledge minister, without being commissioned into any of the fivefold ministry or ministerial title, he has not resumed officially to the work. Man presents who to be commissioned while God Commissions into the ministry or ministerial services. (e.g. Moses and Joshua- Deut. 31:7-14) The Bible says, "And the LORD commissioned Joshua the son of Nun..." (Deut. 31:23, Joshua 1:1-2). Sometimes, this commissioning comes with impartation through the laying of hands of the elderly ones in the ministry and separation for special duty (Read; Deut. 34:9, Acts 13:1-3, 1 Timothy 4:14). Pastor! Who commissioned you? Elder, Deacon and Deaconess, who commissioned you? If you are not commissioned by God, you cannot command respect from people. In our lesson today, we want to see how God commissioned Ezekiel to a prophetic ministry in the exile. Your situation does not hinder God's communication if you are not disconnected from God.

THE LESSON

I. EZEKIEL'S COMMISSION TO ISREAL - 2:1-5

The Lord lifted Ezekiel up and commissioned him as a messenger or prophet. Ezekiel felt the entrance of the spirit of God in him and he heard the voice of God. He was addressed as the Son of Man. Jesus also addressed himself as the Son of man in the New Testament (Luke 19:10). It is an official phrase for a man called by God and endowed with heavenly power for the earthly ministry. God showed him his audience to be a rebellious, transgressed, impudent, and stiffhearted nation-Israel who might decide not to listen to his message. What a great challenge! As a minister of God, church leaders and workers, you should not be discouraged when you are sent to disobedient, rebellious and wicked people both in the church and the world. Go ahead and deliver the message of God. If they hear, they will get the rewards and if they refuse, they will face the consequences.

II. EZEKIEL WAS ENCOURAGED -

2:6-7

God encouraged the prophet not to fear, even in the face of intense hostility and danger; he was to proclaim the Lord's word, no matter what the response. He made it clear to him that he would minister among the people like; briars, thorns and scorpions. He should not be dismayed. No wonder, Jesus sent his disciples as sheep into the midst of wolves. He admonished them to be wise as serpent and be meek as a dove. Every minister of God, church leaders and workers; e.g. Elders, Deacons, Deaconesses, societal leaders, choristers, ushers, Sunday School Teachers should know that demonic agents cannot be found wanting in their church. Therefore, they must not be afraid of them, rather fortify themselves with the power of the Holy Spirit. (Philippians 1:28, 2 Timothy 1:7, Eph. 6:10ff) Sometimes, after you have put more effort into the ministry and it is not yielding expected positive result, do not kill yourself, just make sure you are faithful to God. Keep on fasting and praying for them; God may decide to change them one day.

III. EZEKIEL WAS INSTRUCTED -

2:8-10

God admonished Ezekiel not to join the rebellious people. vs 8 Instead, he should open his mouth and eat the scroll to be offered him. The Lord instructed him to eat a scroll containing words of lamentation, mourning and woe. The Lord told Joshua; "This book of law shall not depart out thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night...", (Joshua 1:8 cf 1 Timothy 4:13-16) To eat the a scroll could mean to study and meditate in the word of God until, it becomes part and parcel of our lives. It is so painful today that both adult and youth including the children do not value the words of God. Social media have taken the place of the word in our heart. Worldly anxiety has choked the words in our heart. Let's repent! You must vow to eat the word of God by reading the whole Bible through this year. The truth is that, this word contains reproof, correction and instruction in righteousness (2 Timothy 3:16) even curses and blessings (Please read; Deut. 28). All must be read because they have a purpose.

QUESTIONS

1. How significant is commissioning?
2. Who were the people Ezekiel commissioned to?
3. How did God encourage him?
4. What lessons can we learn from "Ezekiel was encouraged"?
5. What lessons can we learn from "Ezekiel was instructed"?

JANUARY 25, 2026

LESSON 4

EAT AND SPEAK

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 3:1-11

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, eat that thou findest; eat this roll, and go speak unto the house of Israel." (Ezekiel 3:1)*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	19/1/2026	The Word was God	John 1:1-5
Tuesday	20/1/2026	Knowing the Holy Scriptures	2 Tim. 3:10-17
Wednesday	21/1/2026	Preach the Word	2 Tim. 4:1-5
Thursday	22/1/2026	Holding Fast the Word	Philippians 2:12-18
Friday	23/1/2026	Does the Word Dwell in you?	Colossians 3:12-17
Saturday	24/1/2026	Eat the Scroll	Ezekiel 3:1-6
Sunday	25/1/2026	The Rebellious House	Ezekiel 3:7-11

INTRODUCTION

It is a common saying that; you cannot offer what you don't have. When it is easy for some Christians to quote Bible off hand verbatim or paraphrase it, some cannot do that because the word is not in them but the world. The vision or message God gave to Ezekiel was in an imagery form. Amazingly, God commanded that he should eat a scroll (roll), filling his stomach with it. Ezekiel is to immerse himself in the words of God, and to have those words fill his very being with their fiery truth before he would go and deliver it to the rebellious people. What is a scroll? A scroll is a roll of parchment or paper for writing on. It was the usual form of a book in Bible times. It had been used in Egypt from very early times, the early ones being made of papyrus, the paperlike tissue taken from the reeds growing along the Nile. In a literal sense, it is not possible to eat a scroll. The concept "eating the scroll" in the Bible is a symbolic representation, not a literal action. Therefore, scroll represents the word of God.

THE LESSON

I. WHAT DID GOD ASK HIM TO

EAT? - 3:1-3

(a) The Son of Man

God addressed Ezekiel as a Son of man. This was a special title commonly used for the prophets of God in the Old Testament. Jesus also adopted the title while on earth. This could imply people that were born by man but anointed and consecrated for special assignment by God. Ministers of God are human being like us, but, we must recognize and respect the anointing of God upon their lives irrespective of their age.

(b) The Scroll

God commanded Ezekiel to eat the roll/scroll which he finds. Without objection, he opened his mouth and ate the roll. He was not just to eat small but large quantity. He was asked to eat until the belly was full. And Ezekiel obeyed. The roll was in his mouth as honey for sweetness. The scroll represents the word of God and divine message from God. As Christians, we must fully mediate the word of God and let

it fill our heart. It is unfortunate today, what the belly of many Christians most especially the youth is full of , is ungodly music and movies. Have you also eaten the word of God? More so, as Ezekiel obeyed, all the ministers of God and Church members are to obey the instructions of God without complain even if it sounds nonsensical.

II. WHAT DID GOD ASK HIM TO DO AFTER EATING? - 3:4-6

God commanded him to speak the word he has eaten to his people, the house of Israel. He was not sent to people of a strange speech and of an hard language whose words (language) he might not understand neither would they understand him. Jesus also sent his disciples this kind of message in Matthew 10:1-6ff. As Christians, our first mission field is our family. Thank God you are useful in the Church, what of your spouse and children? There is no success in you going to heaven and your family members go to hell fire. Stop being a hypocrite, go and save your home first. Having done that, go and save people of your language in your immediate community, then, you can now go and save people in the world. People in the Church should be saved before preaching to people outside.

III. WHAT WOULD BE THE REACTION OF HIS PEOPLE? - 3:7-11

It was unfortunate that, God said, the people of Israel would not hear ,because, they are impudent, hardhearted, and rebellious. Ezekiel was encouraged by God to still go and share the word. We are also charged by God to preach the gospel, whether the listeners would hear or not.(2 Timothy 4:1-5)Though, they hear and refuse to change, we are freed of the guilt of their blood, but if we refused and they die in their sins, God would inquire their blood from us. This must also be a lesson for all the soul winners that, it is not all their listeners that would repent quickly or in the simple way.

QUESTIONS

1. "You cannot offer what you don't have." How relevant is this assertion to our lesson today?
2. What is the literary meaning of the roll or scroll?
3. What does the roll/scroll represent and what should we do with it?
4. How significant is it for your family to be saved?
5. What would be the reaction of Ezekiel's people and what can we learn from it?

FEBRUARY 1, 2026

LESSON 5

WATCHMAN

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 3:12-27

THE MEMORY VERSE:-

"Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel; therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me". (Ezekiel 3:17)

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	26/1/2026	The Word was God	John 1:1-5
Tuesday	27/1/2026	Knowing the Holy Scriptures	2 Tim. 3:10-17
Wednesday	28/1/2026	Preach the Word	2 Tim. 4:1-5
Thursday	29/1/2026	Being Lifted by the Spirit	Ezekiel 3:12-15
Friday	30/1/2026	You are a Watchman to the Wicked	Ezekiel 3:16-19
Saturday	31/1/2026	You are a Watchman to the Righteous	Ezekiel 3:20-23
Sunday	1/2/2026	The Directive by the Spirit	Ezekiel 3:24-27

INTRODUCTION

A Watchman is a person whose primary job is to guard a building or property, particularly during nighttime or when the owner is away. They are also known as guards, sentries, or custodians. In religious context, a watchman can also refer to a person who receives and relays God's warnings or messages. In the Bible, a watchman is often depicted as someone who stands on a tower, watching for threats and warning others of danger, both physical and spiritual. They might be a minister of God, most especially a prophet who receives messages from God and relays them to the people. Their primary duty is to watch over the spiritual well-being of others and warn them of potential harm. Ezekiel was called and commissioned as a watchman for the house of Israel in the captivity. He was call to watch over and warn them. But, would they hear? Ministers of God and the soul winners are called as watchmen and watch-women over us, are we listening to them? The truth is that, dangers would not stop in our society if we fail to listen to our watchmen.

THE LESSON

I. THE DIVINE ENCOUNTER OF THE WATCHMAN - 3:12-15

Ezekiel perceived the glory of God from heaven. He had the sound of the wings of the living creature discussed in the former lesson as they touched one another, and the sound of the wheels beside them which sounded like a great earthquake. He was lifted up by the Spirit of God and took him away by the strong hand of the Lord in bitterness and in the heat of his Spirit. After this encounter with the Lord, the divine Spirit led him to the exilic community at Tel Abib in Babylon, by the river Chebar, where he sat in stunned silence for a week (seven days). Before you can be relevant in the assignment of God, you must have encounter with the Holy Spirit and the glory of God. This was a peculiar experience with Old Testament Judges, Priest, prophets and kings. The same experience came to the early Christians on the of Pentecost (Acts 2:1ff). It is this encounter that would lead us to the right destination of our ministry, either village or city. And when you are led to a place, do not act, wait upon the Holy Spirit before you go on with the mission.

II. THE DIVINE MISSION OF THE WATCHMAN - 3:16-21

(a) Waiting and Hearing –vs 16-17

After Ezekiel had waited for seven days, the word of the Lord came to him. God confirmed his ministry as watchman; he was to hear warning message from God before speaking to his people. The emphasis for all Christians, most especially, the ministers of God is to have a tarry time with Lord. Whoever jumps into service of God without directive from God would definitely meet his or her Waterloo.

(b) The Divine Mission to the Wicked

- vs 18- 19

Ezekiel was given a conditional assignment. God said, if he sends him to warn the wicked, “ You shall surely die,...” vs 18 If he refuses to warn or speak to the wicked to turn from his wickedness in order to save his life, the wicked would die in his iniquity; but his blood would be required from his hand. On the other hands, if he warns or speaks to the wicked to turn from his wickedness in order to save his life, but; the wicked refuses to turn from his wickedness, the wicked would die in his iniquity; but; Ezekiel has saved his life. (vs 19). God is expecting us to preach the message of repentance to the wicked people because, he does not want them to die, if we preach and they don't repent, they would perish but we are not guilty of their blood. However, if we don't preach and they die, we are guilty of their blood. Put sentiment away, go and preach to that wicked man or woman in your family, community etc he or she might likely change and be saved to become blessing for you.

(c) The Divine Mission to the

Righteous - vs 20- 21

Ezekiel was also sent to warn the righteous not to turn from righteousness to commit iniquity, because, if a righteous turns to commit iniquity, he would die and all the righteousness he or she has done would not be remembered. If Ezekiel refuses to warn the righteous, his blood would be required at his hand. Nevertheless if he warns the righteous man not to sin, and he does not sin, he would surely live, because he takes warning, and the prophet who had saved his life. Brethren, let us be our brother's keeper. A righteous man or woman can backslide due to life challenges, if there are no brethren to counsel and encourage him or her. Let's keep on enduring life challenges because of the glory ahead of us, it is better to die in problem and make heaven than to backslide, live and later die to hell fire. (Ps. 34:19, 125:3, John 16:33, 14:1-4, Rom. 8:18, Col. 1:27)

III. THE DIFFICULT EXPERIENCE OF

THE WATCHMAN - 3:22-27

No sooner was the commission delivered than heavy restrictions were placed upon it. Ezekiel would not be free to deliver messages of warning wherever and whenever he desired. The Lord instructed him to enter his house, where he would remain confined and incapable of speech. He could only leave his house or speak when specifically directed by the Lord to do so. These restrictions would be an object lesson to God's people that their rebellion was making it increasingly difficult for Him to communicate to them. As a watchman, you must know the time to speak and the time not to speak. We can also learn that, people can miss the time of God's grace to face his wrath. Therefore, repent now!

QUESTIONS

1. Who is a watchman?
2. Describe the divine encounter of the watchman (Ezekiel)
3. What was the divine mission of Ezekiel to the wicked?
4. What was the divine mission of Ezekiel to the righteous man?
5. What are the personal lessons you can derive from today's lesson?

FEBRUARY 8, 2026

LESSON 6

THE SIEGE OF JERUSALEM PORTRAYED (I)

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 4:1-8

THE MEMORY VERSE:-

“Thou also, son of man, take thee a tile, and lay it before thee, and portray upon it the city, even Jerusalem”. (Ezekiel 4:1)

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	2/2/2026	The Steps to Victory 1	Joshua 6:1-5
Tuesday	3/2/2026	The Steps to Victory 2	Joshua 6:6-10
Wednesday	4/2/2026	Number Seven	Joshua 6:11-15
Thursday	5/2/2026	The Shout of Victory	Joshua 6:16-21
Friday	6/2/2026	The Fall of Jerusalem	Jeremiah 39:1-10
Saturday	7/2/2026	A Clay Tablet	Ezekiel 4:1-4
Sunday	8/2/2026	The Siege Dramatized	Ezekiel 4:5-8

INTRODUCTION

Art serves as a powerful tool for communication, allowing artists to convey ideas, emotions, and experiences to audiences. It can go beyond simple representation and explore complex themes, spark dialogue, and even shape collective understanding. Artistic works act as visual language, using symbols, imagery, and style to impart meaning that words alone may not capture. Creative and cultural Arts is a good course for our youths to study. In our lesson today, God asked Ezekiel to draw the picture of Jerusalem on a tile or a clay tablet to convey the message of impending punishment on the people of Israel. Though, at the time of his prophecy some people had been taken to exile among who he was. However, due to failure to repent, another set of people would still go to exile. As Christians, you must not play with every dream you dream or vision you see in an imagery form. It has meaning.

THE LESSON**I. THE PORTRAY OF JERUSALEM'S****SIEGE- 4:1-3**

The Lord instructed Ezekiel to draw a picture of Jerusalem on a tile (a clay tablet or perhaps a brick) and to stage a miniature siege of the city, complete with siege ramps, enemy camps, and battering rams. The prophet was also to place an iron pan between himself and the city. This action perhaps illustrated the unbreakable nature of the siege or represented the barrier between God and His people. Actually, the siege might not come if they repent, unfortunately, they would not repent and the siege would come. There are evils that might not come to our lives as children of God. But, they would definitely come if we refuse to hearken and obey the warning of the people of God sent to us.

II. THE PAINFUL DEMONSTRATION**OF JERUSALEM'S SIEGE- 4:4-7**

The Lord also instructed the prophet to symbolically bear the sin (for perhaps punishment) of Israel. He was to lie on his left side for 390 days, corresponding to the years of the Northern Kingdom's punishment for their sins. He was then to lie on his right side for forty days, (40 days) corresponding to the years of Judah's punishment for their sins. This means, Ezekiel was to demonstrate the severity of the punishment of his people for 430 days which is corresponding to the years of their punishment. The Northern Kingdom was taken to exile in 722BC while the Southern Kingdom went to exile in 586 BC and they both returned around 516 BC which made it over 200 years. The years were actually interwoven mathematically.

One of the ways God used to communicate His mind to the Israel was by using the life or family of his prophet. God used the marriage and the family of Hosea to prophesy to the Israel. In our lesson today, we see how God also used the real life of Prophet Ezekiel to minister to the rebellious Israel. As a minister of God, God can use your life or family to minister to your church members. Hence, the challenges you are facing in the ministry are your teaching aids, the same is applicable to all the Christians, bear it, it shall turn to you for a testimony.

QUESTIONS

1. What is the purpose of Art or Artistic work?
2. Describe the picture of Jerusalem God instructed Ezekiel to draw.
3. How did God ask the prophet to demonstrate the imminent punishment of the Israel?
4. What was the way God used to communicate His mind to the Israel according to today's lesson?
5. Your life challenges are your teaching aids, explain.

FEBRUARY 15, 2026

LESSON 7

THE SIEGE OF JERUSALEM PORTRAYED (II)

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 4:9-17

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *“And thy meat which thou shalt eat shall be by weight, twenty shekels a day; from time to time shalt thou eat it.”. (Ezekiel 4:10)*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	9/2/2026	The Groaning in Suffering 1	Lamentation 5:1-5
Tuesday	10/2/2026	The Groaning in Suffering 2	Lam. 5:6-10
Wednesday	11/2/2026	The Groaning in Suffering 3	Lam. 5:11-15
Thursday	12/2/2026	The Groaning in Suffering 4	Lam. 5:16-22
Friday	13/2/2026	The Ordeal of Jerusalem	Psalms 79:1-5
Saturday	14/2/2026	A Sign of Suffering	Ezekiel 4:9-12
Sunday	15/2/2026	The Defiled Bread	Ezekiel 4:13-17

INTRODUCTION

We learned that God communicated to Ezekiel through the Artistic way last week. In today's lesson, He communicated to him in the dramatic way. God is a dynamic God; he can choose any way to pass His message across to His own children. Ezekiel 4:9-17, describes the prophet conducting various activities, indicates that he did occasionally rise from his symbolic posture. Whether periods of the past sin or future punishment were being symbolized is uncertain. The significance of the figures 390 and 40 is also unclear. There are many mysteries we cannot understand at once or on this earth until we get to heaven.

when everything will be clear to us. But, the most important thing is to do the will of God to avert his wrath.

THE LESSON

I. THE SYMBOLIC BREAD AND WATER- 4:9-13

At the Lord's command, Ezekiel made bread from various grains which included; wheat, barley, beans, lentils, millet and fitches (vs 9) and stores it in one vessel (probably a jar). During the 390-day period (see 4:5) he was to eat a daily portion of twenty shekels (eight ounces), supplemented by the sixth part of an hin (two-third of a quart of water). This restricted diet would symbolize the food rationing that would be necessary during the coming siege of Jerusalem. The Lord also told Ezekiel to cook his bread with dung that comes out of man (that is, fire fueled by human excrement). Human excrement was regarded as unclean in Deut. 23:12-14. Run away from the wrath of God, God can use anything to punish unrepentant sinners. The Old Testament prophets were self sacrificial not like modern prophet who turn people to sacrifices or siphon money from people.

II. THE SURRENDER AFTER OBJECTION - 4:14-17

Ezekiel objected cooking his bread with dung that comes out of man by emphasizing that he had not been polluted from youth till his grown up age with abominable flesh (Exd 22:31, Lev. 11:40, Deut. 14:3). This implied, he had always kept himself ceremonially pure. God instructed him to use cow's dung for man's dung, that is, he was to use cow manure as fuel. We must maintain our holiness from the youthhood till our adulthood. Ezekiel's action would foreshadow the plight of the exiles, who would be forced to eat food in an unclean foreign land. (Read, Lamentation 5:1-22, most especially 5:4, 9). It is very dangerous to fall into the wrath hand of God. God would have to allow enemies to punish His own children because they disobeyed Him. Church members are admonished to desist from sin which may put their Pastor into trouble and them into punishment at last.

QUESTIONS

1. What way did God communicate to Ezekiel today?
2. What grains did Ezekiel use to make his bread?
3. Compare Old Testament Prophets with modern Prophets.
4. What did God use to replace human dung ?
5. What did Ezekiel's action foreshadow?

FEBRUARY 22, 2026

LESSON 8

JUDAH'S DESTRUCTION (PART I)

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 5:1-11

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"And I will do in thee that which I have not done, and where unto I will not do anymore the like, because of all thine abominations" (Ezek. 5:9)*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	16/2/2026	Reward for Disobedience is Destruction	Prov. 29:1-3
Tuesday	17/2/2026	Whosoever repented from their sin, shall be forgiven	Acts 3:19
Wednesday	18/2/2026	Those who will not prosper	Prov. 28:12-14
Thursday	19/2/2026	Misuse of what God has given you	Daniel 5:1-7
Friday	20/2/2026	Sin brought in fear, therefore flee from sin	Gen. 3:1-10
Saturday	21/2/2026	No sinner will go unpunished	Prov. 11:18-21
Sunday	22/2/2026	Punishment is certain for sinner	Ezekiel 5:8-11

INTRODUCTION

Yoruba adages say “Squirrel eating banana and dancing, not knowing that what is sweet kills as well”. Thus are the children of Israel many a times, the Lord God warn them of their behavior, but they remain unyielding to God’s warning. That’s why the book of Proverb says (Prov. 29:1) “He that being often reproved hardeneth his neck, shall suddenly be destroyed, and that without remedy”.

Their (Children of Israel) measure is now full, the Lord sent destruction unto them without remediation, for instance, read (vs. 11). Also, God is sending a call to repentance to us this day, let’s heed to the warning, and flee from sin, before God pour out His wrath. It shall be well with us.

LESSON

I. MESSAGE SENT TO PROPHET

EZEKIEL (VS. 1-4)

Yoruba adage says “We fear who sent us message, not those who we’re delivering the message to”. Thus, Prophet Ezekiel was not afraid to deliver the message God has sent him. For his reason, if the Lord God sent unto us a message, we should not be afraid in delivering the message being sent to us (I Sam. 2:27-32) the message being sent to the Prophet could be found in verse (1-4) one to four of the book being read.

- (a) He must use Barber’s razor to cut his hair and his beard. Then he must use the balances to weigh it (vs. 1)
- (b) The Lord instructs him on how to divide the hair according to the type of destruction he will use to punish the children of Israel (vs. 2-4). This is a warning to us that we must repent, lest our sin reach its full measure before the Lord.

II. MISUSE OF POSITION GOD HAS PLACED JERUSALEM AMONG OTHER NATIONS (VS. 5-7)

The children of Israel misuse their position among other nations that surrounded them. The lifestyle of the Israelites resembles a gold ring in a pig’s nose. Their wrong doings are numerous than other nations that did not know God (vs. 6) this make the Lord to decide on executing fearful judgment on them. How are we utilizing the positions God placed us to as His child? Has our Christianity not been debased in our society, at our place of work? Let us be assured that no sinner will go unpunished (Prov. 11:21).

III. PUNISHMENT CAUSED BY SIN (vs. 8-11)

- (a) It is a severe one (vs. 8-9). This make us understand that whoever does what no one had not done, will surely sees what no one had not seen. Therefore, let’s take heed, and should not evoke God’s anger.

(b) Another bad thing sin causes or brings into person life (vs. 10-11) sin “makes dogs eat themselves (vs. 10) which means that sinners harm him/herself”. Therefore, let's abstain from sin, we must flee when it (sin) come as a predator (Gen. 39:12, I Thess. 5:22) it shall be well with us.

QUESTIONS

1. In reference to the lifestyle of the children of Israel, explain briefly with this Proverb “A dog that would miss, will not listen to the hunter’s whistle”.
2. What is the first assignment God instruct this Prophet (Ezekiel) to do?
3. What does dividing of the hair has to do with what God want to do with the house of Israel?
4. What are the consequences of misuse of position in accordance to our today's lesson?
5. If we do not want God's severe punishment, what should we do?

MARCH 1, 2026

LESSON 9

JUDAH’S DESTRUCTION (PART II)

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 5:12-17

THE MEMORY VERSE:- “Though hand join in hand, the wicked shall not be unpunished; but the seed of the righteous shall be delivered”. (Prov. 11:21).

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	23/2/2026	There is nothing God cannot use to punish sinner	Number 21:4-7
Tuesday	24/2/2026	One sinner destroyeth much good	- Eccl. 9:15-18
Wednesday	25/2/2026	Sin is troublesome, flee from it so as to not implicate others.	Josh. 7:19-26
Thursday	26/2/2026	Disobedience leads to destruction, therefore be obedient	Isaiah 1:19-20
Friday	27/2/2026	Curse does not exist without a cause	- Prov. 26:1-4
Saturday	28/2/2026	“Stolen waters are sweet...”	Prov. 9:12-18
Sunday	1/3/2026	There is no soothing options in consequences of sin, take heed.	Ezekiel 5:13-17

INTRODUCTION

As a matter of fact, God loves the sinner, but He despises sin. For this reason, He sent His son to this world so as to save us from our sin (John 3:16-17 & Matthew 1:21). Due to this great love, why would we reject this great salvation, and we would not abstain from sin. We must debunk all our sin, before it is too late. Let's understand that the God's patency is going to end one day. Look at how God was patient with the children of Israel, whether they will repent from their sin, but they refuse, and they continue in their

bad acts. The measure of their behavior has now reach its limit. God has seen different ways to punished them. We would come across different ways in which God has prepared to punished them in our today's lesson. Let's dive into the lesson.

LESSON

I. THREE DIFFERENT WAYS READILY PREPARED TO PUNISH JUDAH (VS. 12)

Whatsoever is said to ones child, supposedly he heareth. Therefore, whatever a dead person sees in his grave, death brought it. The children of Israel cause the problem that confronted them. What are those inference which is evil.

It is better, we desist from it before it's too late. Let's examine those ways the Lord has readily prepared to punish them.

(Judah)

- (i) A-1 third part of thee shall die with the pestilence (vs. 12)
- (ii) A third part shall fall by the sword round-about thee (vs. 12)
- (iii) The Lord said He shall scatter a third part into all the winds, then he shall draw out a sword after them (vs. 12).

Among these destruction or punishment, which one is more suitable? Let's flee from the wrath of God. None is palatable among them. It shall be well with us as we are doing so.

II. TOTAL DESTRUCTION THE LORD HAS DETERMINED (VS. 13-17)

When a drum gives out sound repeatedly, let's know that, such drum want to or prepared to tear up. Thus are the case of the children of Judah. Due to their willfulness the Lord God determine to exterminate them in the destruction. He prepare to do at the end in this Bible verse.

(a) In anger, God decides to exterminate them (vs. 13-14).

It is a pity for the children of Judah, as they are God's beloved, yet, they disappointed God. Do you know that God also loves us. Are we not going to disappoint God? Are we not going to put Him to shame among other unbelievers with our behaviours and actions?

(b) Others punishment the Lord God wants to use to punish the children of Israel (vs. 15-17). Among of those things God has determined to use in punishing these people are: reproach, taunt, etc. moreover, the Lord has promised to send the evil arrows of famine unto them (vs. 15-17). These are the unpleasant things, sin brings into person. Therefore, it would be an unpleasant things if we do not learn lesson from what happen to the children of Israel, we must flee from every thing called sin and every evil appearances, so that we also will not experience the wrath of God coming upon the earth one day.

QUESTIONS

1. What will provoke God's anger upon people on earth?
2. Do God needs to be criticize because of the evil He said He will do to the children of Israel?
3. In answer to the second questions above, Explain vividly in your own perception whether God needs to

- be criticize or not.
4. Read our memory verse today, and use it to teach us within two minutes.
 5. Mention the steps to take in order to escape from destruction that coming upon "willful person".

MARCH 8, 2026

LESSON 10

THE PROPHECY TOWARDS THE MOUNTAIN OF ISRAEL

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 6:1-14

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"Thus saith the Lord, stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls, but they said we will not walk therein" (Jer. 6:16).*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	2/3/2026	The Secret of the Lord is with His people	Psalm 25:14
Tuesday	3/3/2026	The prophecy that come to pass	Zech. 9:8-10
Wednesday	4/3/2026	Do not consent to sinner's enticement	Prov. 1:10
Thursday	5/3/2026	There's reward for every works	Rev. 22:11-12
Friday	6/3/2026	Renouncement in Anger	Isaiah 1:13-25
Saturday	7/3/2026	God is a consuming fire	Deut. 4:23-28
Sunday	8/3/2026	Punishment for a disobedient person	Deut. 28:15-25

INTRODUCTION

It is a bad habit for an individual to replace God His creator with other things to serve. This is the reason why God upheld it in the commandments given to the children of Israel (Exod. 20:3-5). When we examine the commandments, we are going to understand that it is a ridiculous behavior to worship things made by ourselves. Thing that has eyes, but could not see, has ears but could not hear, has legs, but could not walk; except the worshippers themselves carry it around, etc. for this reason, God cursed idolatry, and He determine to destroy them totally. Listen to what the word of God said to everyone who is idolatrous (Psalm 115:4-8). Therefore, in what ways does idolatry wants to squeeze into our life today, is it through time, work, food, as well as accessories? Let's be careful so that we might not evoke God's anger upon ourselves. This particular sin the Israelites engage in, that exterminate many lives (Exod. 32:1-35).

LESSON

I. THE JUDGEMENT OF TEN STEPS FOR ISRAEL (VS. 1-7)

When sin comes, shame comes as well. There is nothing a sinner or sinnig could not cause. For instance, the Lord said the Prophet should prophesied towards the mountain. What cause it? the sin of the children of Israel. So there is no reward in sinful act. Lets flee from it.

(a) Prophecy of mountain's Destruction (vs. 1-3). This reminds us that the sin of Achan implicates all people around him, and also those people who are innocent. Many soldiers fall when they went to fight against the city of Ai (Josh. 7:1-6) this made them to flee from their enemies. That's how the sin of the Israelites greatly implicates the mountains surrounding them. What are we invoking this time? Will it not bring in problem and trouble into other people's life? Let's be careful sin is poisonous.

(b) The Judgement the Lord God has determined to use in punishment those mountains (vs. 4-7). The Lord God said that, He will demolish every altars of idolatry, and it shall become desolate and also broken. Their dead shall be many until they were slain in front of their idols. Moreover, He said that all their big cities shall be destroyed. What may evoke this great wrath, let's flee from it, because there is no partiality before God.

II. PROMISE TO KEEP FEW AMONG THEM ALIVE (VS. 8-10)

The compassionate God, though the sins of these people are numerous, God promises to keep few among these people alive. When we examine the thoughts of God in this occurrence, we would see that, He is aspiring that these people repent from their evil acts (Isaiah 1:18). Are we ready to correct our ways before the Lord? Do these people repent from their sinful ways? We shall see the answer to this question in the concluding part of our Lesson.

III. CALL TO NOTICE OF JUDAH FOR ASSURANCE OF JUDGEMENT WHICH BOUND TO COME UPON THEM (VS. 11-14)

When the children of Israel need to be careful, to correct their ways and evil acts, they remain obstinate to the Lord God our creator. Now, what are those things God wants to use in fighting against them could be found in these Bible verses (vs. 11-14). The Lord instructed Prophet Ezekiel to clap, also he should stamp his foot. The Lord do these, so that they will pay attention to what God has sent the Prophet to deliver unto them. We saw that this does not shake their heart or instill fear toward things of God. Are they not happening in our life today?

Finally, the Lord announce to them again what is bound to happen (vs. 11-14), for instance, death or fall through sword, famine and pestilence. Mainly, God said He will make their land desolate. This means that there will be no habitat living in that place. It is very important to be obedient when the Lord sends message to us, our life, house, businesses etc. sin will not let the Lord make it emptied and it will not become desolate over us.

QUESTIONS

1. Read today's memory verse, and use it to teach within two minutes.
2. Explain vividly, ways of replacing other things with God in behavior and our actions.
3. It is true that "there is nothing sin could not implicate". Explain in accordance with today's lesson.
4. What can we call the thought of God to keep few among the children of Israel in our today's lesson?
5. Explain briefly things learnt from our today's lesson?

MARCH 15, 2026

LESSON 11

GOD'S WRATH TOWARD ISRAEL

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 7:1-14

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"Now is the end come upon thee, and I will send mine anger upon thee, and will judge thee according to thy ways and will recompense upon thee all thine abominations. (Ezek. 7:3)*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	9/3/2026	Thou shall have no other god beside God	Exodus 20:1-5
Tuesday	10/3/2026	God's anger toward Israel	Ezekiel 7:1-5
Wednesday	11/3/2026	Mercy is of the Lord	Romans 9:14-18
Thursday	12/3/2026	The patience of God will end one day	2 Pet. 3:1-10
Friday	13/3/2026	The day of Judgment is close	Zeph. 1:14-18
Saturday	14/3/2026	Beware of God's wrath	Zeph. 1:1-6
Sunday	15/3/2026	Nothing is hidden before the Lord	Jer. 16:16-18

INTRODUCTION

God is merciful and he loves every one of us that he created in His own image, and specifically His children, people who are on His side (Psalm 103:8). Also, He usually gives warning intensively before getting angry if anyone refuse to heed to the warning of God, it means that the person is willingly attracting the wrath of God Ezekiel 33:11, 2 Chronicles 36:15-16.

In today's lesson, we will see how God was displeased by the works of the Israelite and because they refuse to heed to the warning of God. We also need to be careful in our dispensation to pay attention and heed to the warning of God, both the ones we hear from him directly and the ones He gives through His servants in order to avoid His wrath. We will not be victims of God's wrath in Jesus name.

LESSON

I. THE PROPHECY ABOUT WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO ISRAEL (VS. 1-6)

(a) The end has come for Israel (vs. 2)

Because the sins of these people has become numerous before the Lord, God was ready to bring an end to their existence, because they refuse to repent after God's several warning.

What was these people's sin before God? Idolatry, their idolatry was their sin; they forsook God and chose idols over Him Exod. 20:2.

God is always unhappy with anyone who is into idolatry. Idolatry in our contemporary world isn't limited to crafted images but everything that has replaced God is the order of our priority.

(b) The wrath of God toward them.

God was ready to show them His wrath, and it is a very terrible thing for God to be angry with a person. When a man is angry at another man, we can appeal on the person's behalf, but when God is angry at a man, that person is in a big danger. Our prayer for you is that you will not experience the wrath of God in Jesus name. In order not to experience God's wrath we need to make God's counsel our delight and forsake our ungodly way which is an abomination to God.

(c) There will no longer be pity for

His children (Exodus 33:19, Rom. 9:15)

God himself promised mercy for those who do His will and follow His path, but whenever anyone refuses to do the will of God, he will attract several punishment which we have considered some earlier. God said, He will no longer have pity on the people because of their sin and iniquities. This is to establish the fact that God's mercy is dependent on his decision and He can decide to withdraw it from anyone who has decided to take the wrong path.

II. THE SECRET OF THE EVIL DOERS WOULD BE REVEALED

(a) All hidden secret will be made open

Our God is all knowing God, who knows even the deepest part of any man's heart, whatever any man does secretly is very obvious before God. For that reason, it was timely for God to punish the Israelite because He has been seeing their deeds. Before you get to this point, we need to sincerely examine our ways.

(b) The Judgment of God for them (vs. 8)

- i. The Lord is going to be angry with them.
- ii. Judgment without mercy.
- iii. He will repay because of his iniquity.
- iv. There will be no buyer or seller.

In our dispensation there are so many acts of idolatry ranging from crafting images to creating idols from material things, power, position, money and others. God is giving out His warning again today, while you hear His word do not harden your heart Heb. 3:7-8. One day, God's patience will end.

QUESTIONS

1. What attracted the wrath of God upon the Israelite?
2. Who was sent to deliver these messages?
3. (a) When will the end come?
(b) What would be the signs before the end comes?
4. There'll be no buyer or seller, why?

MARCH 22, 2026

LESSON 12

THE JUDGEMENT OF GOD TO THE PEOPLE.

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 7:14-27

THE MEMORY VERSE:- "Destruction cometh and they shall seek peace, and there shall be none" (Ezekiel 7:25).

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	16/3/2026	Do not love the world	I John 2:15-17
Tuesday	17/3/2026	As it was in the days of Noah	Matt. 24:36-42
Wednesday	18/3/2026	The Judgment of God to the	

		people	Ezekiel 7:14-21
Thursday	19/3/2026	The danger of disobedience	Ezekiel 7:21-27
Friday	20/3/2026	God is beholding everyone	Ezekiel 39:23-24
Saturday	21/3/2026	Run for your life	Gen. 19:12-17
Sunday	22/3/2026	There is no peace for the wicked	Isaiah 48:17-22

INTRODUCTION

Whenever God warns, many people do not regard it, in fact many turn the warning of God into jokes just like the days of Noah (Matt 24:38-39). All these warning of God that was given through Noah were rejected by the people until the flood came and destroyed them. In the same manner God has been warning the Israelite through His prophet Ezekiel. But they refuse to adhere; they choose to do their own will which in turn attract God's judgment upon them to the extent that many died. Many terrible things befell them and we'll be looking into them today. We will not be stubborn children in Jesus name.

LESSON

I. THE SERIOUS JUDGEMENT

(a) The Judgement of Destruction.

God sent His destruction upon these people; there is no peace outside "there is no peace for the wicked says the Lord" (Isa. 48:22, 57:21, 59:8). The Israelite are God's people, but when they departed from God's part, He was ready to punish them, evil befell them, sword outside and pestilence and epidemic inside. There was no longer peace for any of them. Ask yourself today, what is the cause of the problem and challenges in your life at the moment, hope it is not some disobedience that is depriving you of peace. Amend your ways before it is too late.

(b) Some escaped death.

Among these people, some escaped death by sword, but didn't escape the judgment of God because they didn't find peace everywhere they ran to, there was no food and they had to fast under compulsion because of their sinful life before God. Know certainly that everything you are doing publicly or secretly has it's reward/consequences before God for this reason, do good according to God's will so you can receive reward from God.

(c) Continuous punishment (vs. 17)

"All hands are feeble and all knees weak as water" vs. 17. There is no joy for the people, they live their lives in fear because they have gone astray from their creator. Whoever has gone astray from God is in danger, for this cause run away from danger by returning to God.

II. THEY WILL LOST THEIR PROPERTY.

(a) Their Property can not save them (vs. 19).

We observe that the valuable things that cannot save them from the judgment of God, all the pursuit of these people that made them refuse the will of God, where has the love of this world gotten you to, because the things of this world will perish with it. (1 John 2:15-17) The love of the world is enmity toward God.

(b) They will make God far from them (vs. 20)

God has so many good intention toward his people, but their idolatry made God to speak that these things will be far from them that He will take it away from them. They did things that are abominable because idolatry is an abomination to God. The reason why many good things are far from you is because of your abominable acts, examine yourself.

(c) They will work for another to eat

(vs. 21)

The children of God are the ones whom were promised the riches of the heartened, but it wasn't so in the case of the Israelite because they rejected the counsel of God their creator, God took what they had and gave it to the heartened to handle it the way it suited them. We pray that our portions will not be given to another in Jesus name.

II. THE EYE OF THE LORD WILL DEPART FROM THEM

(a) The Lord will turn His face away from them (vs. 22)

Whoever God turns away from is in great danger (Ezekiel 39:23), God said he'll turn away his face from them and this will give room for more acts of evil to his people from the evil people, in order to punish them according to their deeds before the Lord (Pro. 15:3, Job 34:21) truly God.

(b) The warning of God from Ezekiel

God warned and instructed Ezekiel to make a chain, because the Lord is full of the sin of murder and violent acts looking at our nation today we will see that bloodshedding is too much because many are willing to get rich quick, taking positions by force, seeking power or different kind of command respect and influential from Satan. May God deliver us from those kind of people. We also should not join this kind of people in doing evil. Many youth are eager to follow suit, parents should warn their children about these.

1. The heartened who are more evil will inherit them (vs. 24)
2. When the destruction comes there will be no peace (vs. 25) when judgment comes no one will escape God's judgment.
3. When the time of judgment comes, everyone will begin to see a way out but it'll be too late. May we not misuse the grace for repentance now in Jesus name.
4. God is not a respecter of any man (vs. 27, vs. 4, Ezek. 18:20)

QUESTIONS

1. Recite today's memory verse.
2. How many sessions is today's lesson divided into?
3. Mention each lesson's heading.
4. Mention some of the things the people lost.
5. Where did the people who escaped run to?

MARCH 29, 2026

LESSON 13

THE BRAND NEW COLT (PALM SUNDAY)

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Luke 19:28-40

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"saying, go into village opposite you, where as you enter you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Loose it and bring it here ". (Luke 19:30)*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	23/3/2026	The Coming King	Zechariah 9:8-10
Tuesday	24/3/2026	The Lord has need of them	Matthew 21:1-11
Wednesday	25/3/2026	Loose it and bring it.	Mark 11:1-11
Thursday	26/3/2026	Hosanna!	John 12:12-19
Friday	27/3/2026	Let's Bless Him	Psalms 118:26-29
Saturday	28/3/2026	Blessed is the King who comes	Luke 19:28-40
Sunday	29/3/2026	The King Cleanses the Temple	Luke 19:41-48

INTRODUCTION

The Triumphal entry of Jesus Christ to Jerusalem is commemorated in the church today as Palm Sunday. Palm Sunday is a significant Sunday in the history of Christendom as it is the Day Jesus Christ rode triumphantly on a colt into the city of Jerusalem. It marks the beginning of Holy week and leading up to Easter Sunday. Our attention in today's lesson is shifted to the animal Jesus rode which the Bible says, it has not been used before, that is a brand new colt.

THE LESSON

I. AN ERRAND TO FETCH BRAND NEW COLT-VS 28-30

On Jesus' journey to Jerusalem, he stopped in between Bethphage and Bethany at the mountain called Olivet. He then sent two of his disciples into the village opposite to go and find a colt, on which no one has ever sat. There is a lesson that Jesus Christ wants us to learn from the passage this year. Any vessel that God wants to use must be a brand new one, that is, he or she must be holy. (Lev. 11:44, Isaiah 52:11, Ps. 24:3-4, 1 Pet. 1:15-16) It is very disheartening today that, many people that serve in the church from pulpit to the pew are not holy. We may think God is the one using them, but at the last day he would tell them, "...I never knew you.." (Matt. 7:21-23).

II. AN INSTRUCTION TO LOOSE THE BRAND NEW COLT- VS 31-34

Jesus foreknew that; people would challenge the disciples while loosing the colt. He told the disciples to tell whoever challenges them that, "...the Lord has need of him." (vs 31, 34). When they went there, they were challenged, immediately they said what Jesus asked them to say, the colt was released for them. We need to observe the use of it for colt in vs 31 and its personification, him in vs 34. It implies the colt represents human being. The lessons we want to derive here is that, God liberates any soul that makes himself or herself available for his usage. You cannot serve God in bondage, he looses before he uses so that you can loose other. (Isaiah 61:1-4, Mark 16:17, 2 Cor. 3:17). If you are still in any bondage as the vessel of God, call upon him this year, he will set you free indeed. (John 8:32, 36) Then, do not underrate the minister of God sent to your midst; he is there to set you free. Believe it! Experience it!

III. THE BRAND NEW COLT WAS BROUGHT TO JESUS CHRIST

- VS 35-40

(a) They brought him to Jesus

- vs 35a

The colt was brought to Jesus Christ. We do not know the relationship between the owner of the colt, but, the true is that, he released the colt for Jesus Christ. Every minister that wants to enjoy the dividends of the ministry must build relationship with people and invest in them. You can be posted out of a station and still be eating the fruit of your labour if you do not lose your integrity. People of God, let's be taking care of the ministers of God by meeting their need timely. You must be able to release your belongs to God who owns it.

(b) The colt was decorated- vs 35b-38

The people decorated the colt by; throwing their clothes on him and Jesus sat on him (vs 35). People spread their clothes on the road, that is red carpet today. (vs36) And Jesus who sat on it was honoured with the shout of praise as prophesied in Psalm (Ps. 118:26, vs 37-38). If you want God to use people to decorate your life this year, be holy and release your life to Him.

(c) They are powerless – vs 39-40

The Pharisees were not happy with the encomium, so they asked Jesus to silence the people. But, he told them, if the people keep silent, the stones would immediately cry out. When the time of your shinning, glory and honour comes in Jesus Christ, no enemy can stop it because they would be powerless.

QUESTIONS

1. What do you understand by Palm Sunday?
2. How can you apply the brand new colt to our lives?
3. What lesson can we learn from loosing the colt?
4. What lesson can we learn from the colt brought to Jesus Christ?
5. What lesson can we learn from the decoration of the colt?

APRIL 5, 2026

LESSON 14

**(EASTER SUNDAY)
HE IS RISEN! RISE YOUR FAITH**

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Luke 24:1-12

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"He is not here, but is risen! Remember how He spoke to you when He was still in Galilee". (Luke 24:6)*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	30/3/2026	Woman first	John 20:1-0
Tuesday	31/3/2026	A Sympathetic Woman	John 20:11-18
Wednesday	1/4/2026	A Man was doubtful	John 20:24-31
Thursday	2/4/2026	He is Risen!	Luke 24:1-6
Friday	3/4/2026	It is not an Idle Tales	Luke 24:7-13

Saturday	4/4/2026	Passion in Blindness	Luke 24:14-21
Sunday	5/4/2026	Passion in Ignorance	Luke 24:22-27

INTRODUCTION

Though, there are several arguments concerning the resurrection of Jesus Christ right from the first century of the Church. (Read Matt. 28:11-15) In spite of this and others arguments against His resurrection, the fact remains that, Jesus Christ resurrected. Since resurrection of Jesus Christ is being commemorated every year, we want to remind ourselves again in order to awake our faith to the reality of it. Most, especially, our lesson today would focus on the role played by women during the resurrection of Jesus Christ amidst the culture that played little significance on women. This is to establish, both male and female are prominent in God's agenda.

THE LESSON

I. WOMEN WENT TO THE TOMB -

VS 1-3

For better understanding of this passage we need to go back to the previous chapter. Let us read Luke 23:48-49, 55-56, this would help us to know who the pronoun " they" in verse one stands for. It stands for the women whose their names are mentioned in the passage and others whose names are not mentioned. It does not include the Apostles of Jesus Christ. Early in the morning of the third of Jesus' death, the women went to the tomb with spices (23:56, 24:1) to spread to the tomb of Jesus Christ to make the environment smell well. On getting there, they were amazed; because, the stone had been rolled away and the body of Jesus Christ was not found there. And they became perplexed. (vs 4a). We should ask, where were men? They were nowhere to be found. The same thing happens in the Church today, if you organize a programme, women would storm the place while men would be absent or scanty. Let's think of the population of people in the Church, women are the most. Who are the major key people in leadership affairs of the Church? Men! Check around, how many men are here this morning? Woman where is your husband and sons? Women should take the ministry of salvation of their husbands and sons seriously, if you want to enjoy your life. Pray for them, admonish them.

II. WOMEN SAW THE ANGELIC

BEINGS - VS 4-8

These women saw two men in shinning garments and they were afraid. They confirmed the resurrection of Jesus Christ to them. They reminded them of what Jesus told them before he died and they remembered. We must not be afraid at every situation because the righteous is as bold as Lion. However, there is an experience that may bring fear but, we must tackle it with boldness and faith. As the women remembered the words of Jesus Christ, we must remember the prophecies of Jesus Christ, believe it and expect its fulfillment. It is very unfortunate; men who ought to encourage them were not there. Men, how supportive are you to your wives spiritually, physically and financially? There are men who put all the load of family on their wives because they are working. This should not show. We are not saying women should desist from helping their husbands, you are both helpers to one another. Let's examine this question, who are more spiritual men or women? (Discuss in your class)

III. WOMEN CONFIRMED JESUS'

RESURRECTION TO MEN- VS 9-12

The women returned from the tomb and told the eleven disciples of the resurrection of Christ. The names of the women mentioned include; Mary Magdalene, Joanna and Mary the mother of James. It was so amazing to hear that, the words or news seemed to them like idle tales, and they did not believe them until Peter went to the tomb to confirm. With over three and half years spent with Jesus Christ and prophecy about his resurrection shared with them before his death, they still not believe. It is also obvious in the Church today that, the heart of men is always hardened to the word of God. But, whenever they

accept it, they are always very strong while women are so gullible. They can easily be taken away by wind of doctrines, most especially prophecy or vision. Let's conclude with the topic of today's lesson as we commemorate the Easter Sunday of this year. Jesus is risen! Rise your faith! Don't be an unbelieving Christian, believe the scripture and what God says there, it shall be well with you.

QUESTIONS

1. What lesson can we learn from, "Women went to the tomb"?
2. What happened when the women saw the angelic beings?
3. What lesson can we learn from "Women saw the angelic beings"?
4. State the names of the women mentioned in our lesson today.
5. What was the reaction of the eleven Apostles when women told them about the resurrection of Jesus Christ? the time comes (2 Cor. 5:10; Rev. 20:11-15).

APRIL 12, 2026

LESSON 15

ABOMINATION BEFORE GOD

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 8:1-18

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"He said furthermore unto me, Son of man, seest thou what they do? Even the great abominations that the house of Israel committeth here that I should go far off from my sanctuary? But turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations" (Ezekiel 8:6)*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	6/4/2026	Where art thou?	Gen. 3:1-10
Tuesday	7/4/2026	God sees it all	Pro. 15:1-5
Wednesday	8/4/2026	Do not love the world	I John 2:15-17
Thursday	9/4/2026	Present your bodies to God	Roman 12:1-5
Friday	10/4/2026	You are purchased with a price	I Cor. 6:19-20
Saturday	11/4/2026	Obtain mercy	Heb. 4:10-16
Sunday	12/4/2026	Who can know it?	Jer. 17:9-10

INTRODUCTION

The secret things belong unto the Lord our God (Deut. 29:29a) God knows all things, including the things we call "secret". Just the same way He sees the thing we do openly so He sees the ones done secretly, everything is plain and open before Him. From the Bible reading we can see that God was revealing things that were secret and hidden before men to him and then He told him that these are things that the people did because they thought that the Lord doesn't see, that He has forsaken the earth vs. 12c.

As we proceed in the lesson today it is important that you have the consciousness that the Lord sees it all, that He knows it all.

LESSON

I. ALL KNOWING GOD

(a) God sees it all (vs. 12)

Proverbs 15 vs. 3 says "The eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the evil and the good". The reason why we cannot see some things as human is because of possible limitation which has to do with range of our eyes and the obstructions in our environment. For God, there is no limitation whatsoever, in fact the bible establishes it that the eyes of the Lord are in every place.

(b) Who can know it (vs. 7:9)

"The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?" No man can fathom the depth of wickedness in another, except God Jer. 17:10. The heart of a man which represents the seat of intelligence, thought and decision is considered to be the most hidden part of any man. However it is not so hidden that God cannot know it. Beyond your actions which are most likely acceptable before men, what is the condition of your heart?

The Lord isn't interested in the things we do, He is also interested in the meditations and thought of our heart. Read Psalm 19:14. We pray that, God through His word will continually transform our mind in Jesus Name.

(c) Knowing the things of God (vs.

6-8)

Ezekiel was one of God's remnants in the land, he is a prophet of God who is devoted to God, even when many chose idols over God and this is why he had the privilege to see things from God's perspective. People who have chosen God as their only heritage and are committed to following his path are the sons of God.

These sons of God have certain rare privileges which include knowing the secret things as God reveals to them. Deut. 29:29b. A child of God cannot be stranded when it comes to knowing the will of God for them and making right decision. This is so because God himself is committed to guiding them. May the Lord grant you the heart that knows and understand his counsel in Jesus name.

II. IDOLS IN THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL

(a) An abominable place for God to dwell (vs. 6)

God doesn't and cannot dwell in a land filled with idolatry, and in the same light He cannot dwell in a heart filled with idols because they are abomination to him. What are your idols what are your priorities, what are those things your priorities above God? Ask God to search your heart, make you clean and habitable for himself today.

(b) Greater Abomination (vs. 15)

Before the Lord there is something seen as greater abomination, it is the polluting of God's temple, polluting and making less what God holds in high esteem or sees as an abode. Desecrating what is consecrated. This act is not just abominable but greatly abominable. Uzzah touching the ark is seen as desecrating as he was unworthy of doing such (II Sam. 6:6-7)

Breaking rules that ensures orderliness in the house of God, making a joke of sacred things and even giving of our body for sinful activities is a greater abomination before God. What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's" I Corinthians 6:19-20.

QUESTIONS

1. List those things that are hidden

- before God.
2. What part of the human body is said to be the most hidden in today's lesson?
 3. What are the things that can be possible idols in the life of a believer?
 4. Why did God show those things to Ezekiel?
 5. What do you think are greater abomination before God?

APRIL 19, 2026

LESSON 16

DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE DAY OF PUNISHMENT BEFORE YOU REPENT

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 9:1-11

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"Slay utterly old and young, both maids and little children and women: but come not near any man whom is the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house" (Ezekiel 9:6)*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	13/4/2026	The Anger of God over Sennacherib	Isa. 37:33-38
Tuesday	14/4/2026	Repentance brings the Blessing of God while sin brings Ruin	Isa. 1:16-20
Wednesday	15/4/2026	Hearkening to God in order not to be destroyed	Proverbs 29:1-7
Thursday	16/4/2026	The wrath of God upon Jerusalem	Ezekiel 9:1-5
Friday	17/4/2026	Who are those to be spared?	Ezekiel 9:6-8
Saturday	18/4/2026	The House of Israel, Why?	Ezekiel 9:9-11
Sunday	19/4/2026	Be among the Repentant ones	II Chron. 7:11-15

INTRODUCTION

The mercy of God awaits those who repent of their sinful ways and come to the saving knowledge of our LORD JESUS CHRIST. But ruin awaits those who are adamant and refuse to repent from their evil ways. Hear these:

"God judgeth the righteous, God is angry with the wicked every day. If he turn not, he will whet his sword; he hath bent his bow and made it ready. He hath also prepared for him the instruments of death; he ordaineth his arrows against the persecutors. Be bold, he travaileth with iniquity, and hath conceived mischief, and brought forth falsehood. He made a pit, and digged it, and is fallen into the ditch which he made. His mischief shall return upon his own head, and his violent dealing shall come down upon his own pate" (Psalm 7:11-16).

Repent now, put an end to all your evil ways and by so doing, the favor of God will be yours (II Chronicles 7:14).

LESSON

I. JERUSALEM AND THE WRATH OF GOD (Ezekiel 9:1-6a)

(a) Jerusalem: The City of God, the City of Peace.

Why had the chosen city of God become the city of the wrath of God? The city had changed from what God intended her to be. In verse two, six men came with weapons of war in their hands to deal with the dwellers of Jerusalem (vv. 1-4) why, because Jerusalem had forsaken God. Listen to God's words; turn from your evil ways, the wrath of God is coming to the world because of evil ways and sinful mind which are rampant in the world these days. You should not be partakers of the wrath to come.

(b) Certain people with certain mark or sign (vv. 4-5)

The incident of Goshen land and the death of the first born sons of men and animals should come to our memory in Exodus 12:29-33. Only the Egyptians and their animals suffered the calamity of the death of first born sons but the children of Israel were spared in Goshen land. Likewise, in our lesson today, while numerous were marked to die, others were spared (v. 4). Being in JESUS CHRIST will spare you from the wrath to come.

II. MASS DESTRUCTION FOR JERUSALEM (V. 7-11)

(a) Kill Them All (v. 6-7)

You are not to participate from destruction if you repent and run to JESUS CHRIST the LORD and SAVIOUR (John 3:14-17).

(b) Seek for the face and favor of God and not that of wrath (vv. 9-10)

It is your choice even SALVATION is a person's choice. "Though a sinner do evil an hundred times, and his days be prolonged, yet surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear God, which fear before him. But it shall not be well with the wicked; neither shall he prolong his days, which are as a shadow; because he feareth not before God". (Eccl. 8:12-13).

QUESTIONS

1. Why did Jerusalem's peace turn to ruin?
2. Mention those who would not be killed with evil doers.
3. In Ecclesiastes 8:12-13 tell 2 category of people and their rewards.
4. Explain what happened to the Egyptians and the Israelites who were in Goshen in Exodus 12.
5. Can one escape the wrath to come to the world? Explain what such a person should do.

APRIL 26, 2026

LESSON 17

**GLORIOUS VISION REVEALED UNTO
PROPHET EZEKIEL**

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 10:1-22

THE MEMORY VERSE:- "This is the living creature that I saw under the God of Israel by the ruler of Chebar; and I know

that they were the Cherubims" (Ezekiel 10:20)

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	20/4/2026	There is no one the Lord cannot Reveal himself to	I Samuel 3:1-4
Tuesday	21/4/2026	Beware of things that will make the Spirit of the Lord depart from you	Judges 16:20
Wednesday	22/4/2026	They were all filled with the Holy Spirit	Acts 2:1-4
Thursday	23/4/2026	Revelation in the vision through hunger	Acts 10:9-15
Friday	24/4/2026	God reveals Himself by being a devout worshipper	Acts 10:1-4
Saturday	25/4/2026	Disobedience could make the Spirit of the Lord depart from someone	I Sam. 16:14-16
Sunday	26/4/2026	Revelation shown unto Prophet Ezekiel	Ezek. 1:1-5

INTRODUCTION

Prophet Ezekiel eyes were opened to see the glorious vision in today's lesson, ones that tells about what will happen to the children of Israel about the temple of the Lord which is at Jerusalem. Said that, the glory of the Lord God would cover the house for some time, however, due to their unrepentance, sometime later that glory would be revoked. The belief that the Lord God is with them would cease to exist. These were seen in the Bible verse we read today (vs. 1-22). This revelation was revealed through the images of the Cherubims and the wheels. This make us understand that, there is nothing God cannot use to send a message and warns the people of their behavior (Numbers 22:28-33).

LESSON

I. THE GLORY OF THE LORD FILL IN THE TEMPLE (VS. 1-15)

The glory of the Lord God filling up the Temple signifies the word of God in the book of Acts of the Apostles Chapter 2, from verse one to four (Acts 2:1-4) which says, they were all filled with Holy Spirit. The fire saw in between the cherubims indicates how the Holy Spirit comes down in the likeness of cleanse tongues, which falls upon the disciples of Jesus Christ in the upper room on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:1-4). And they were all filled with Holy Spirit. We saw how the glory of God filled up the house of God, which is known as the Temple of God. This signifies that God is dwelling in the house. No wonder, "Paul the Apostle said that we are the Temple of the Holy Spirit (I Cor. 6:19). For this reason we must know who we are, we must be careful and must not spoil that temple, so that God will not depart from our life which is the temple of the Holy Spirit. We are God's dwelling, we must not spoil that dwelling.

II. SIN MAKES THE GLORY OF GOD DEPART FROM THE TEMPLE (VS. 16-22)

The departure of the Cherubims signifies the departure of the glory of God from the temple. This signifies a disgusting and profaneous behavior of the children of Israel. Those that the glory of the Lord has departed from the Bible are numerous, few among them are; Samson, who because of woman lost his power, another person is Saul the king, the spirit of pride, disobedience and arrogance makes the spirit of God depart from him (I Sam. 16:14). Moreover, the spirit of truth miss from Ananais and his wife

lives, they lied against the Holy Spirit and died untimely (Acts 5:1-10). The glory of God departed from the temple in Jerusalem. What are we doing or willing to do that would make the Holy Spirit leave us, the one who is used to sealed us unto the day of redemption (Eph. 4:30). Lets avoid it. Our lives will not become useless in Jesus name, Amen.

QUESTIONS

1. Read our today's memory verse.
2. Explain briefly, what the descending of the Lord God's glory signifies in our today's lesson?
3. What do Apostle Paul called today's Temple of God, and also in what book of the Bible can we find it?
4. What's the fire in between the Cherubims signifies and where can it be found in the New Testament?
5. Mention two people the spirit of God departed from in the Old Testament and one person in the New Testament?

MAY 3, 2026

LESSON 18

THE COMPANY OF THE WICKED OR THAT OF THE GODLY

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 11:1-12

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"Though a sinner do evil an hundred times, and his days be prolonged, yet surely I know that it shall be well with them who fear God, which fear before Him. But it shall not be well with the wicked, neither shall he prolong his days, which are as a shadow; because he fears not before God"*
(Ecclesiastes 8:12-13)

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	27/4/2026	The Rewards for the wicked and Godly	Psalms 1:1-6
Tuesday	28/4/2026	The wickedness of the wicked	Psalms 7:9-17
Wednesday	29/4/2026	The Angel of the Lord surrounds his people	Psalms 34:1-12
Thursday	30/4/2026	Shun Evil: Do Good	Psalms 34:13-22
Friday	1/5/2026	Do not join the gang of the evil doers	Ezekiel 11:1-7
Saturday	2/5/2026	Destruction over the evil doers	Ezekiel 11:8-12
Sunday	3/5/2026	Do Good: Reap Good	Revelation 22:6-14

INTRODUCTION

"A wicked man hardens his face: but as for the upright, he directs his way" (Proverbs 21:29). "By humility and the fear of the Lord are riches, and honour and life. Thorns and snares are in the way of the froward; he who does his soul shall be far from them" (Proverbs 22:4-5) He who oppresses the poor to increase his riches, and he who gives to the rich, shall surely come to want" (Proverbs 22:16). "Rob not

the poor, because he is poor, neither oppress the afflicted in the gate: For the Lord will plead their cause, and spoil of those who spoiled them" (Proverbs 22:22-23).

Meditate very well on the above verses, you will discover that evil doers reap their evil rewards and the righteous reap the good rewards. Which group do you belong? In the lesson today, twenty set themselves apart for evil doing (v. 1). The warning is for us today to repent (II Chronicles 7:14; Matthew 3:2).

LESSON

I. THE WICKED AND THEIR DEEDS

(VV. 1-4)

a. The Group of the Wicked: Are you not among them? (vv. 2-3)

The Bible gives their number as twenty five. In the church of God today, do not be among the number who cause trouble for the rest who are GODLY.

b. Jaazaniah and Pelatiah: The leaders of the Evil doers (v. 1)

Many are sold bold when it come leading conspiracy in the church of God. They speak all sort of evil things they have committed themselves, you should not be among these people, your name must not be heard among the people of sinful mind.

c. Their works (vv. 2-3)

They devised mischief, gave wicked counsel to the city. They were of the opinion that nothing would happen and that people should perpetrate evil. Many people hear the gospel messages, to come to the saving knowledge of JESUS CHRIST, but they are adamant. Even they may be inside the church, still they cause all sort of animosity among the people of God. God is lovingly warning you to stop your evil way and come to Him.

d. The Expected Group You and I should be (Psalm 119:63)

e. Evil Group You and I should not Belong to them (II Corinthians 6:14-18)

Be not unequally yoked together with unbelievers for what fellowship has righteousness with unrighteousness? And what communication has light with darkness? And what concord has Christ with Belial? Or what part has he who believes with an infidel? And what agreement has the Temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God as God has said I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord and touch not the unclean thing and I will receive you: And will a father unto you and you shall be my sons and daughters saith the Lord Almighty.

II. THE WRATH OF GOD OVER THE WICKED (VV. 5-12)

a. Look at the various evils which the Lord had promised to shower on these people for their refusal to forsake their sins. These days hear what God is saying. He loves you but He hate sins in your live. Hear this ministers of God, Elders, Deacons, Sunday School teachers, choirs, ushers, church officers in various capacity, young and old "You shall not follow a multitude to do evil; neither shall you speak in a cause to decline after many to wrest judgement" Exodus 23:2. Meditatively read (Hebrews 12:14).

QUESTIONS

1. (a) Mention the number of people in the group of doers in the

- lesson today. Say the lessons to be derived in the group.
- (b) Mention the two personalities from the group with lessons to be derived from them.
2. Explain the works of this group and what can we learn from their deeds?
 3. Explain the righteousness and wickedness and the rewards each one offers.
 4. Is there any hope for a sinner? Support your answer with at least a Bible verse.
 5. Mention the works of the HOLY SPIRIT as v. 5 of the book of the lesson today and say the importance the same in Christian lives these days.

MAY 10, 2026

LESSON 19

THE LORD REBUKES HIS OWN PEOPLE

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 11:1-25

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"The fear of the wicked, it shall come upon him, but the desire of the righteous shall be granted"*
(Prov. 10:24)

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	4/5/2026	No sin, no punishment i.e. without sin there is no punishment	Prov. 26:1-3
Tuesday	5/5/2026	Whatever you sow, you shall reap	Isaiah 3:10-11
Wednesday	6/5/2026	The hands of the Lord is not shortened to save	Isaiah 59:1-4
Thursday	7/5/2026	Do not despise the Lord's chasteneth	Heb. 12:4-9
Friday	8/5/2026	Do not allow enemy to convict you	Jer. 50:7
Saturday	9/5/2026	What sin causes	Gen. 3:7-10
Sunday	10/5/2026	Beware of God's judgment	Ezekiel 11:7-12

INTRODUCTION

Yoruba adage says "When lice remains in the cloth, blood does not deplete from the finger's nail" that is the lifestyle of the children of Israel. Despite God's relation with them a father to son, they still fall into one sin to the other. In our today's lesson, we read about men who give wicked counsel coming together giving the country evil counsel (vs. 1-3). God sends message of what will happen to them in (vs. 4-13) it is true that God loves sinner, but despises sin. Therefore, let's repent from all our iniquities, do not wait for God's chasteneth or judgments before we repent. The book of Proverbs unveil unto us that "My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not" (Prov. 1:10). Additionally Apostle Paul reveals that "evil communication corrupt good manners (I Cor. 15:33). For this reason, let's know the type of counsel we would listen to and accept. We shall not receive God's anger.

LESSON

I. THE WICKED AND EVIL

COUNSELLORS (VS. 1-3).

Long time ago, we have seen the wicked and evil advisers, contrary to what have been read today, such as the friend of one of David's son who wants to fornicate with his younger siblings, which the friend gives bad counsel (II Sam. 13:1-16).

So, in what we have read today, the advisers put the mind of the country of Israel at rest, that there is no danger, and they are in safe place when God is not in their midst. This is a great lesson today, so that we might be watchful of the wicked and advisers, we must not believe every spirit, but they must be tested whether they are of God. In Jesus name, our Lord, we shall not experience God's judgment and wrath.

II. PROCLAMATION OF SUCH FIVE STEPS JUDGMENT COMING UPON THE INHABITANT OF JERUSALEM (VS 4-13).

- i. For they have multiplied their slain in their city.
- ii. Their slains filled the streets of the city.
- iii. For they do not walk in the statutes of the Lord their God.
- iv. They do not execute God's judgment.
- v. For they behave badly and worship idols more than all nations that surrounded them.

Due to these evil doers and their disobedience, God says He will punish them. What are those behavior and actions today that would make God angry with us? Let's quickly amend our ways, before God's wrath pour upon us.

III. GOD'S MERCY FOR HIS CHILDREN (VS. 14-21)

For God so love the world that He gave His only begotten son (John 3:16-17). So God have mercy upon the children of Israel to save few among these that would not be destroyed, so also, God's mercy is for us today, let's accept it and we live.

QUESTIONS

1. Read today's memory verse, and use it to teach within two minutes.
2. How many are the men who give counsel, identifies in the beginning of the book being read in our today's lesson?
3. Mention the name of two important personnel mentioned in the book?
4. What are the consequences of sin in our today's lesson?
5. Mention three out of five sins committed by the children of Israel in our today's lesson.

MAY 17, 2026

LESSON 20

TAKE HEED TO GOD'S WARNINGS

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel. 12:1-7

THE MEMORY VERSE:- "Happy is the man that feareth away: but he that hardeneth his heart shall fall into mischief".
Proverb 28:14.

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
MON.	11/5/2026	Are you Heeding the warning...	Luk 21:34-36
TUE	12/5/2026	Don't Ignore God's Warning	James 1:22-25
WED	13/5/2026	Escape for your life; heed the warning	Gen. 19:17-25
THUR	14/5/2026	The Cost of Disobedience	Gen 3 :9-19
FRI	15/5/2026	Obedience Is Better than Sacrifice	1 Sam15:17-23
SAT	16/5/2026	Obedience, the pathway to peace and prosperity	Lev. 26:3-12
SUN	17/5/2026	Spiritual Blindness	Ezk-12:1-6

INTRODUCTION

Life is full of warnings. Warning are given to avoid disaster. A warning is an act of Mercy shown by someone who doesn't want us to experience suffering as a result of our bad choices. A warning is given ahead of disaster while there is time to amend our decisions. Ignoring warning face Consequences that follows.

* God Commanded Ezekiel to act out a Prophetic message in today's Bible Passage. This is to communicate to the Israelites in captivity perhaps they would know the calamity that will soon fall upon their brethren that were still in Jerusalem, they would also be captured and brought to join them in Babylon. Regretably, they would not yield to the warning until the prophesy be fulfilled.

* God is merciful and long Suffering, He loves sinners but hates sin. He uses many ways and methods to communicate His love to man and the danger of refusal His warning. He gives room for repentance for whosoever wishes to repent to avoid God's wrath.

* God still sends warning today, do you yield to the warning? "Therefore we ought to give the more earnest heed to the things which we have heard, lest at any time we should let them slip". Be obedient, take God's warning seriously, do not delay repentance of any sin to avoid God's wrath.

LESSON

1. GOD'S DESCRIPTION OF THE EXILES - VS. 1-2

a. They were Rebellious people V. 2

"Son of man thou dwellest in the midst of a rebellious house (2a) To rebel means to revolt, to become disloyal, to go against authority. Rebellious person opposes order from authority, he is difficult to control, he likes to be independent. Rebellious people don't follow instructions from authority or do what they are commanded to do. They believe that their idea is the best. Rebellion is a sin against God (Neh. 9:26. It is as sin of divination - 1 Sam. 15:23 There are examples of rebellious people in the Bible include king Saul (1 Sam-15:22-23) Israel in wilderness (Ps 78:17-19) Korah Dathan Abiram (Num. 16:1) .God described the exiles as rebellious people because of their refusal to yield to God's warning. Whoever rejects God's rule is rebellious and God would punish those who oppose His authority, therefore, don't be a rebellious person or join the company of rebellious people.

(b) They were insensitive. V 2.

"Which have eyes to see and see not, they have ears to hear and hear not: for they are a rebellious house" (2b) The exiles were spiritually deaf and blind because of their stubbornness, Ezekiel had to dramatize his message to them. Jesus similarly spoke in parables to the people of his time (Matt 13: 13-15 read it) also Isaiah. 6.9; Jer 5:21. Many people could not decode God's message to them, although they are aware of God's judgment on sin, yet they refused to repent. How did you respond to God's message you have heard? Repent; do not harden your heart.

II. GOD'S COMMAND TO EZEKIEL

VS. 3-6

God speaks to us in diverse ways, He may choose to speak through his word, vision, dream, prophesy, circumstances or events in life. God instructed Ezekiel to dramatize his message to the exiles perhaps they would have the understanding of evil that is coming upon their people that remained in Jerusalem (v.3). He was asked to bring out his bag in the day light so that these people can see him. He should act like someone going to a far country, like a prisoner trying to escape from been caught. He should carry the bag on his shoulder.

At night when it is dark, he should make a hole in the wall and try to escape through the wall, he should cover his face as not to know where he is going. We know from the history that this prophesy eventually came into fulfillment during the reign of Zedekiah the last king of Judah who wanted to escape through a hole in the palace but was captured and carried to Babylon. (2 Kings. 25:4-7).

Ezekiel's actions are meant to conveying God's message to the people, the severity of their disobedience which resulted to shame and been carried away to foreign land as slaves. The load symbolizes sin and covering of face symbolizes shame they will face as a result of their unfaithfulness, there is need for them to repent. The drama served as a warning.

III. EZEKIEL'S OBEDIENCE TO GOD'S COMMAND - V. 7.

The Prophet did as was commanded without any hesitation. Obedience is the mark of a true disciple of Christ, His will must be our will. Christians are called to obey God's word even when it is not easy. Christ learned obedience for what he suffered. He endured suffering for that is the will of his father (Heb 5:8) Let's be willing to obey God

QUESTIONS

1. Who is a Rebellious Person?
2. How did God describe the exiles?.
3. What was God's Command to Ezekiel?
4. Why did Ezekiel need to act the message?
5. Did the prophesy actually come to pass, How?

MAY 24, 2026

LESSON 21

SIGNS OF DIVINE JUDGEMENT

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 12: 8-20

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"And the cities that are inhabited shall be laid waste, and the land shall be desolate; and ye shall know that I am the Lord. Ezekiel- 12:20*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
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MON	18/5/2026	Consequences of wickedness	Ps. 1:4-6
TUES	19/5/2026	End of the Wicked	Ps-9:16-20
WED	20/5/2026	The Day of the Lord	2 Pet 3:9-18
THUR	21/5/2026	The Great Day of the Lord	Joel 2:1-10
FRI	22/5/2026	God's Impartial Judgment	Deut. 10:19-22.
SAT	23/5/2026	Judgment belongs to God.	Rom 2:1-16
SUN	24/5/2026	God's Judgment on the Rebellious People	Ezek 12:9-20

INTRODUCTION

Signs serve many purpose in the Bible. It served as confirmation of divine authority of chosen leaders or prophets. When God called Moses he gave him signs to validate his commission (Ex 4:1-9) Jesus and the apostles performed miracles with signs manifested to confirmed their divine authority (Mk.2: 3-12; Acts-3:1-11)

Signs are also given as a warning of what to come. In our today's passage, signs function as a warning of impending judgement on the nation of Israel. The dramatic actions of prophet Ezekiel are meant to be a sign to them, demonstrating that the nation will also go into captivity, the king will be captured and brought to Babylon where he will die. (Read the fulfillment of this prophecy in 2 Kings 25: 1-21)

The Bible warns us to watch for the signs of the end times, (Matt 24:3-31; Lk 21:36, 2Tim. 3:1-5) Events happening around the world today are signs of the end times, are you being watchful? Let us yield to God's warning, so that the day will not catch us unaware.

THE LESSON

I. THEIR REACTION TO THE MESSAGE - VS. 8-10

(a) The Question vs 8-5

In the morning after Ezekiel had dramatized the message of the Lord to the Jews in captivity, they came to the Prophet and asked him jokingly, the meaning of the drama he had just performed, the whole drama meant nothing to them, and they felt unconcern about it. Many people do not consider message of salvation as something important. To some, the message of Christ second coming is no longer relevant in Christian world today. Therefore, we must take heed to avoid God's wrath (Heb 2:1-3)

(b) The Answer - v. 10

"Say to them: Thus says the Lord God: This burden concerns the prince in Jerusalem and all the house of Israel who are among them"(v.10). God instructed Prophet Ezekiel to let them know the severity of the message. Burden here means the heaviness of the message, it contains wrath of God, It is about the remnants in Jerusalem and Zedekiah their king. Jesus wept over Jerusalem because he foresaw destruction of the city (Lk. 19: 41) Do we Christians foresee the wrath of God that is coming over this sinful world? Do we feel concern to warn our generation of impending Judgement of God? It is high time to repent.

(c) "Say I am a sign to you" v. 11

Prophet Ezekiel became a sign to them, he had dramatized what will happen to King Zedekiah and the people in Jerusalem, this means that the people will experience what he has just shown them through his actions.

II. THE INTERPRETATION OF THE MESSAGE VS. 11-15

Since they refused to have the understanding of the drama, the prophet told them the meaning of his action.

(a) The king will be taken captive.

He will make an attempt to escape when the enemy will invade the city, He will carry his load upon his shoulder. He will try to cover his face in disguise so as not to be recognized but he will be captured by Babylonian army, he will be left without any defense, for all his armies have been scattered and finally taken to Babylonian chain and died in exile as Prophet Jeremiah has earlier prophesied (Jer:38:18) Beware of sin. It leads to captivity and death.

III. GOD'S TENDER MERCY V:16.

God remembers mercy in the midst of Judgement, He spared some remnants in the city for being taken captive so that they will acknowledge God and recognize that, He is just in the Judgment. The people were been led into exile as a result of their sins which they failed to repent. We must be cognizant of the mercy of God that keeps us alive in spite of numerous dangers around us. Let us appreciate Him and serve Him in obedience.

IV. DIVINE JUDGEMENT Vs 17-20

God instructed prophet Ezekiel to act another drama to warn the people in Jerusalem about the impending dissolution of the land, their cities will be destroyed and left empty if they fail to repent. This Judgement will come upon them as a result of wickedness of the people living in the land. This should serve as a warning to the wicked and all sinners that God's Judgment is inevitable, therefore, make haste today to repent before God judge you. The fact that you are committing sin and nothing happens does not mean that Judgment will not come, it will come, God is only waiting for you to repent, therefore, repent today. (2 Pet 3:9)

QUESTIONS

1. Give some importance of sign.
2. What was the reaction of the people to Ezekiel's drama?
3. What is the interpretation of the drama?
4. How did God demonstrate His mercy on Israel in spite of their disobedience?
5. Explain 2 Peter 3:9 in relation to the end time.

MAY 31, 2026

LESSON 22

DANGER OF MOCKING GOD'S WORD

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 12: 21-28

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"Knowing this that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts"*
2 Peter 3:3.

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
MON	25/5/2026	God's words are True	Rom. 3:1-8
TUES	26/5/2026	The Certainty of God's promise	Heb 6:13-20
WED	27/5/2026	God will do what he has promised	Num 23: 17-24-
THUR	28/5/2026	God's timing is the Best	Gen 18: 9-15

FRI	29/5/2026	Do not Mock God's Words 2 Pet 3.1-9	
SAT	30/5/2026	No more Delay	Ezek 12:23-25
SUN	31/5/2026	It Shall come to Pass	Ezek. 12: 26-28

INTRODUCTION

After prophet Ezekiel had dramatized the message to warn them of the coming impending judgement, he encouraged them to turn to God not to trust in false Prophets that were deceiving them with false Prophecies of peace and prosperity, when God had warned them of impending destruction. They despised the true prophecy, they said since the Prophets have been given Prophecies of God's Judgment none came to pass, rather things were going on well for them. Isn't the same with us today? We love to trust in fake Prophecy than the true words from God.

However, no matter what the world is saying, God word remains true no matter who question of argue it (Rom. 3:4; prov 30.5) His words will not return to Him void (Isa.55:11) What God has said about your life, marriage, destiny will surely come to fulfillment. Believe and trust Him.

LESSON

I. THEY DESPISED THE MESSAGE

(a) That days are prolonged v. 22

Son of man, what is that proverb that ye have in the land of Israel, saying "The days are prolonged" Because Judgment was delayed, they took God's patience for His weakness to bring the prophecy to pass. They developed a proverb to mean God will not bring any Judgment on them, therefore they called His prophet a liar. But God was being patient and merciful, probably they will repent from their evil ways. Sinner should not be deceived, don't take God's patience to mean God's weakness, He is giving you an opportunity to repent

(b) That every vision had failed. v. 22

They also despised the message of the Lord through His Prophet that of all the visions seen and prophecies spoken in the past, none has come to pass. They made mockery of the message and pay no attention to it. Are you in doubt of God promises for you? and you want to give up? Don't, though it tarries wait it shall surely come to fulfillment (Hab. 2:3)

II. GOD'S REPONSE TO THEIR MOCKERY - VS.23-25

(a) God nullified their mockery Proverb.

God answered that He will put an end to their mockery proverb and declared, there shall be no more delay, He will bring his words to pass. This will put an end to the activities of false prophets among them prophesying that the message was not for them but for their future generation. God said He will make it happen in their days. Let's take every word of God seriously, don't joke with it. (Matt 24:35).

III. FUTHER MOCKERY OF THE MESSAGE VS 27-28

a. Mocking the closeness of the Judgment. V. 27.

"Son of man, behold they of the house of Israel say the vision that seeth is for many days to come and be prophesieth of the times that are far off (verse 27) They mocked the vision and the prophecy, the vision will not come to pass and if it will happen it will take many years they concluded. These people heard the warning from the prophet but assumed judgment will not happen. Many people hear warnings today but thought they have plenty of time to respond, why don't you respond today? Procrastination is dangerous!

(b) No postponement

“Therefore, say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God; There shall none of my words be prolonged any more but the word I have spoken shall be done saith the Lord God”. God's patience has now been exhausted and he will bring down his judgment on them. Decide today to repent of any sin, do not postpone it till another day because you do not know what will happen in the next couple of minutes let alone tomorrow.

QUESTIONS

1. How did they react to the message of the Prophet?
2. What do you expect the people to do with the message?
3. Share how God reacted to their proverb.
4. How will you relate their response to our present generation?

JUNE 7, 2026

LESSON 23

GOD'S JUDGEMENT ON FALSE PROPHETS

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 13:1-16

THE MEMORY VERSE:- “Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns or figs of thistles? Matthew: 7:16.

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
MON	1/6/2026	Beware of fake Miracle Workers	Deut 13:1-5
TUE	2/6/2026	Do not be Deceived	Rev-13:7-18
WED	3/6/2026	Test every Spirit	I John. 4:1-6
THUR	4/6/2026	Beware of false Prophets	Matt 7:15-20
FRI	5/6/2026	Signs of false Prophets	2 Pet 2:1-3
SAT	6/6/2026	God was against lying Prophets	Ezek.13:1-7
SUN	7/6/2026	God will Judge false Prophets	Ezek.13:8-16

INTRODUCTION

Prophets serve as God's oracle, they are to communicate the mind of God to his people. True prophets do not speak on their own authority, rather, speak as God gave them the message. Israelites were in critical situation, enemy had invaded their city, some were been captured and taken to exile, they were in need of spiritual guidance.

However, God had raised prophets such as Jeremiah who prophesied to the remnants in Jerusalem. (Jer.32:26-30) and Ezekiel in exile warning them to repent of their sin of idolatry which led them to the situation they found themselves. They encouraged them to return to God.

Sadly, these people did not listen to these Prophets of God, but rather, gather false prophets that deceived them with false prophecies and visions, promising them peace while the Lord spoke destruction. People love to hear lies than the truth. Truth is bitter but it pays. God allowed false prophet to test the true position of their heart. Jesus predicted that there will be many false prophets in the last days, how do we distinguish between true and false prophets. Read Deut 13:1-5, Matt: 7:15-20 These wicked prophets were under the Judgment of God for they would reap their works at the end

LESSON

I. GOD'S MESSAGE AGAINST

FALSE PROPHETS

(a) They were false prophets v. 2

Although these false prophets were Israelites, they were not appointed by God of Israel. God did not send them nor did they receive their message from God (Jer 23:21) A true prophet must be sent by God. Are you a true servant of God?

(b) They Prophesied not with the spirit of God v. 3

The false prophets do not prophesy with the spirit of God, they were inspired by their own imaginations. They were using God's name to prophesy lies. Prophesying without the spirit of God carries serious dangers, it can mislead an individual causing them to take wrong steps and suffer consequences at last. Be warned for you will give account of your work before God (Lam, 3:37).

(c) They see no vision v. 3

These false prophets were bunch of liars, they deceived people by claiming that their visions were from God (vs.6 and 7) . God refuted their claims and said their message are not from Him. Be grounded in the word of God so as not to be misled by false prophets. The truth you know will set you free, know the truth. (John 8:32)

II. GOD ACCUSED THE FALSE PROPHETS

a) Their subtle Characters

"O Israel thy prophets are like the foxes in the deserts" God likened them to foxes in the desert. Foxes is a cunning animal (Luk 13:32) it causes havoc in garden (Song of Solomon 2:15, Lam 5:18). These prophets took advantage of the situation to deceive them. Don't allow problem of your life to lead you to a wrong place. False prophets are out to make money from their victim. You shall overcome your problems in Jesus name.

b) They did not defend the city - vs. 5-6

It was the duty of the leaders to protect their city, prophets are spiritual leaders expected to guard their city spiritually, and they were to stand in the gap to repair breaches of sin that has separated people from God. Instead of the false prophets to encourage them to repent, they caused people to have hope in things that will bring God's judgment, they neither prayed nor warned them. Christians are watchmen for their generation God counts on us for salvation of our generation, we must warn the world of consequences of sin and God's judgment (Ezk 22:30)

III. GOD'S JUDGEMENT AGAINST FALSE PROPHETS - vs 8-16.

(a) They would lose their position - 1.9

The false prophets will lose their position among God's people. Prophets in Israel were men of influence and honour, but after their prophecies proved to be false, they would no longer be counted among prophets of God. Sin brings shame and disgrace why don't you repent now before it brings shame on you.

(b) They would lose their identity v. 9.

The false Prophets would lose their citizenship, their names would not be in the record of Israel. All liars will have their place in hell fire as their names will not be found in the book of life. (Rev. 20:15).

(c) They would lose their right to enter the land of Israel.

These false Prophets would not return to their homeland after the seventy period of exile, they will die in captivity. Sinners who fail to repent will not enter into the kingdom of God at last.

QUESTIONS

1. State reasons why God opposed the false prophets?
2. Why did God allow false prophets to prophesy?
3. How do we distinguish between true and false Prophet?
4. False Prophets were like Foxes in the desert. Explain
5. State what will be the Judgment of God on false Prophets

JUNE 14, 2026

LESSON 24

GOD'S JUDGEMENT ON FALSE PROPHETESSES

THE SCRIPTURE READING:-

Ezekiel 13:17-23

THE MEMORY VERSE:-

"Therefore ye shall see no more vanity, nor divine divinations: for I will deliver my people out of your hand and ye shall know that I am the Lord..."
Ezekiel 13: 23

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
MON	8/6/2026	Spiritual Gifts	I Cor. 12:4-11
TUE	9/6/2026	Desiring Spiritual Gifts	I Cor. 14:1-6
WED	10/6/2026	The purpose of Ministry Gifts	Eph. 4:11-16
THUR	11/6/2026	A Girl possessed with Spirit of Divination	Acts. 16:16-24
FRI	12/6/2026	Prophet and Prophecy	Acts 21: 10-14
SAT	13/6/2026	Judging Prophetic words	I Cor. 14:29-33
SUN	14/6/2026	God Judges false Prophets	Ezek.13; 20-23

INTRODUCTION

Just as we have men as prophets, we equally have women in the office of prophet in the Bible, like Miriam (Ex 15:20, Deborah Judges 4:4; Huldah 2 kings 22:14, 2 Chro 34:22; Anna daughter of Phanuel Lk. 2:36; Four daughters of Philip Acts 21:9; false Prophetess like Noadiah Neh. 6. 14 and Jezebel Rev 2:20. We have true Prophets of God today, but there are many false Prophets and prophetess too. We are to test every spirit 1 John 4:1-3, we are to watch their lives Matt. 7:15. True prophet hears from God and does His will, fake Prophet does his own will. True Prophet frowns at sin, he rebukes sin, false prophet will not but rather promotes it. False prophet may perform miracles and sees visions to deceive, true prophet performs miracles to reveal the power of God. Some fake prophets practice magic, divination, sorcery which God forbids. Ex. 22:18; Deut. 18:10; Acts 8.11; Rev. 9:21.

Prophetesses in our today's lesson were using diabolical powers to prophesy lies, thereby destroyed many lives. They made charms and amulets for people as a means of securing their lives. God will judge all liars including false prophets and prophetess.

LESSON

I. ACCUSATION AGAINST FALSE PROPHETESSES

a) They prophesied out of their

own minds v:17

God was against fake Prophetesses that have been speaking from their own imaginations but claimed their messages were from God, they spoke from their own desires rather than divine inspiration. Are your dreams, visions prophecies divine? From which source do you prophesy? It is good to prophecy and see visions, it is one of the ways God still speaks to us, however, let it be from God.

b) They were accused of deceptive

practices v:18

They Practiced witchcraft and sorcery, they made use of items for divination. They manufactured charms and amulets for people to wear as security. God condemned their practices and pronounced woe on them. They were seen as predator that hunts to trap. Make Jesus your security and do not involve in such practices, for God's Judgment will one day come upon them.

c) They prophesy for personal gain

v. 19

The false Prophetesses professed to speak in the name of God but they were prophesying for their own personal gain. They used people's problems to defraud, they turned people away from God by their false prophecies and visions, rather than calling sinner into repentance they led them astray, they were killing the righteous and saving the wicked. Are your prophecies saving lives or destroying them?

II. GOD'S JUDGEMENT ON FALSE PROPHETESSES.VS 20-23

a) God will stop their fake vision

They will see no more vision as God would put an end to their fake visions and prophecies. They would no longer be relevant. They shall be exposed and disgraced.

- b) God will tear their instrument of divination, their charms and amulets, he will destroy. Their Influence and reputation will cease as their power will be destroyed.

c) God will deliver his people from them.

He will finally bring His people back to their land. This speaks of restoration of Israel back to their land after seventy years in exile. Jesus will one day come to deliver His own people from this wicked world and take them to His kingdom in Heaven. John 14:1-3; Rev-21:1-4. Will you be there with Jesus?

QUESTIONS

1. Mention four women in the Bible that were true Prophets
2. Mention two false Prophetesses in the Bible
3. What are the accusations levied against false prophetesses in this lesson.
4. State God's judgment on them
5. What other lessons do you learn in today's lesson

JUNE 21, 2026

LESSON 25

HYPOCRITE WORSHIPPERS

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 14.1-11

THE MEMORY VERSE:-

“He answered and said unto them, Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites as it is written, This people honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far from me” Mark. 7:6.

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
MON	15/6/2026	Don't be a Pretender	I Kings 7:5-13
TUE	16/6/2026	Hypocrisy Rebuked	Matt 23: 23-29
WED	17/6/2026	Beware of Hypocrisy	Mark 12:38-40
THUR	18/6/2026	Be a Doer of the word	James 1:21-26
FRI	19/6/2026	An acceptable Giving	Matt. 6:1-4
SAT	20/6/2026	Idol of the Heart	Ezek. 14:3-5
SUN	21/6/2026	God's judgment on Hypocrites	Ezek. 14:6-11

INTRODUCTION

A hypocrite is someone who pretends to be something he or she is not. Hypocrite person appears to be righteous in appearance but inwardly harbour deceit, when he speaks, he lies. He will say one thing and do another; he is not a man of his words. Hypocrite will tell you how to live but do not live it himself. God hates a lying tongue (Prov. 26:28). Jesus rebuked the Pharisees and scribes for their hypocrisy, drawing their attention to religious rituals while neglecting justice and faithfulness, they were well versed in the scripture they claimed to know but they don't obey it. Such are many people that claim to have been born again but their life style is opposite of what they professed. What about you?

The elders in Israel that came to Ezekiel seeking word from the Lord concerning their predicament but were secretly harbouring idols in their hearts, they pretended to be religious outside but inwardly an idolatrous. God knows our hearts, He cannot be mocked. (Gal-6:7) We can deceive others but not God.

LESSON**I. HYPOCRISY OF THE ELDERS****a) They sought counsel from God.**

v: 1

The elders of Israel came to Ezekiel seeking for God's counsel concerning their situation in exile and those that remain in Jerusalem. As we learnt in the previous lessons they found themselves in this difficult situation as a result of their sin of idolatry which led them into captivity. Now they remembered Yahweh (God), where do you run to when you are in trouble? Do you know God and serve Him when things are going well with you? Seek God always (Ps 34:4; 119:2) Don't wait till problem comes, Seek Him alone.

b) They sought God with idol in their hearts. vs- 3-4

The Lord does not look at the way people look. People judge by outward appearance but the Lord looks at the heart (Isa 16:7). God is omniscience, he knows our thoughts and reasons behind it. These elders actually came to the man of God to hear from Him. They were religious leaders of the people that supposed to be holy men of God. They pretended that they want to know the mind of God but they were liars, they harbour idol in their heart, they sat before God as physical true worshipper while they were inwardly idol worshippers. There are physical idols and there are invisible idol, although, we may not worship a statue but sometimes we worship these unseen idols. Anything we place above God becomes idol, such as self, money, our work, family affairs, sport, social media etc. God requires total devotion from us, therefore make God first in your life.

II. DIVINE RESPONSE. V. 4-6**a) God provided an answer.**

God promises an answer to these elders that came to ask from him with idol in their hearts, even though they kept sin in their heart and pretended to be holy. He made it known that nothing is hidden before him, and he will give an answer they deserved. The Lord stated that in setting idols in their hearts, they had taken idol as a replacement of God, there can be no rivalry between idol and true God. Who is the Lord of your heart? To exalt self or business above God in our hearts is tantamount to replacing God with idols, therefore the loving God is calling and pleading now as you study this lesson to give Him first place in your heart.

III. A CALL TO REPENTANCE. VS.

16-7

a) The need for Repentance.

God is merciful, he advised His people to forsake those false gods and return to Him. In spite of their sins, God did not forsake them, he called them to repentance. Friends! The voice of repentance is still sounding to sinners to repent of sins and turn to God, no matter how terrible is your sin (Isaiah 1:18). He loves you He doesn't want you to perish.

IV. CONSEQUENCE OF IDOLATRY

VS. 8-11

a) God will turn against them.

Even though they still kept their idols in their hearts and came to him for inquiry, God answered them, He will forsake them as they forsook Him for false gods. God is still powerful, there is nothing He cannot do at his appointed time, but sin hinders us in getting victory. (Isa. 59:1)

b) He will destroy them.

Another consequences of their idolatrous is God will destroy both their false prophets and the people that followed them, he will show His Supremacy over false gods and deliver His people. Don't occupy your heart with perishable material things of the world set your affection on things above. (Col.3.2)

QUESTIONS

1. Who is an Hypocrite?
2. Why did Elders of the people come to the Prophet?
3. There are visible idols, there are invisible idols. Explain
4. How did God respond to their Inquiry?
5. What did God say will be the consequences of their sin if they fail to repent?

JUNE 28, 2026

LESSON 26

THE CERTAINTY OF GOD'S JUDGMENT UPON JUDAH

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 14:12-23

THE MEMORY VERSE:- "Though hand joins in hand, the wicked shall not be unpunished". Prov. 11:21

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
MON	22/6/2026	God's wrath against Ungodliness	Rom 1:18-23
TUE	23/6/2026	God's wrath against Disobedient people	Eph 5: 1-7

WED	24/6/2026	God is angry with the Wicked	Prov 15: 8-9
THUR	25/6/2026	Escape for your life	Gen 19: 14-17
FRI	26/6/2026	Flee from the wrath to come	Matt 3: 7-10
SAT	27/6/2026	An Appointed day of Judgment	Acts 17: 22-31
SUN	28/6/2026	Judgment is coming	Ezek 14:12-21

INTRODUCTION

In the previous lesson, we learnt how the elders of the people came to prophet Ezekiel seeking to know the mind of God concerning the situation in Jerusalem, although they knew the truth, they refused to repent, they harbored sin in their hearts.

Again, God declared the kind of judgment he will send upon the people of Judah for their persistence in sin and there would be no escape. These men perhaps may thought that God will change his mind and suspend the Judgment if righteous men are found in the city, but the Lord declared even if righteous men like Noah, Daniel and Job are in that city, they would not be able to save anybody except their own souls. The Judgment will be in fourfold famine, wild animals, war and plague. This explains the seriousness of sin and consequences that follow.

However, some will survive the catastrophe not by their own merit but by God's mercy. They will not be killed by any of the plagues but will be taken captive to Babylon. The Bible warns of certainty and severe punishments that await un-repentant souls. They would spend their eternity in hell, therefore repent now.

LESSON

I. DIVINE JUDGMENT DESCRIBED.

VS 13-21

(a) Divine judgment by Famine.

Vs 13-14

God had earlier warned the nation the consequences of disobeying His commandment and sin against Him in Deut. 28:15-40. God promised, he would send famine against them. Here, they thought that the presence of righteous men if found in the city will save them. But God told them that even if Noah, Daniel and Job mentioned here are in that city their righteousness would not avail to save them. The three people mentioned were men of faithfulness. What will people say about your life and character when you are no more?

(b) Divine judgment by invasion of

Wild Animals. Vs 15-16

God reminds them of His word in Leviticus 26:22 that, he will send wild beasts among them which shall eat their children and destroy their cattle if they disobey Him. Here again, God will cause wild animals to kill them in their city, it will be difficult for any of them to travel because these wild animals will fill their country and their city will be left empty.

(c) Divine judgment by War. Vs.

17-18

God would allow foreign nations to invade their city; the invaded army will kill them and destroy their cattle without mercy. Again, God emphasized that the presence of the three men Noah, Daniel and Job will not save them even if they were in that city, they will only save themselves not even their sons or daughters. Righteousness is non transferable, faith of your parents cannot save you, salvation is an individual affairs, therefore maintain yours.

(d) Divine Judgment by Pestilence

vs. 19-20

God also said, he will pour out his anger by sending an epidemic disease into the land, the plague will kill people and animals, and the city will be full of dead bodies of animals and human beings. Again, He stated that even if these three men were there; their righteousness would not save the city even their

family, they will only be saved by their own righteousness. Jesus warned the unbelieving Jews not to count on righteousness of their father; Abraham to save them but must repent from their sinful ways in order to please God. John 8:39-47 God had declared it, every man shall bear his own iniquity. Lev 5:17, 7:18, Gal 6:5. These fourfold judgments that will come upon Judah as foretold by Prophet Ezekiel tells of severity and certainty of God's Judgment, which will result to total destruction of the city. This also reminds us, that God has appointed a day to judge the world of its sinful acts, repent to escape from the coming judgment. (Acts 17:22-31)

II. DIVINE JUDGMENT VINDICATED.

VS. 22-23

(a) Survived Remnants.

However, God in His mercy promised to save some remnants, they would be allowed to escape the four severe judgments. They would survive not because of their righteousness but rather an example of sinner who obtain mercy in the face of judgment. Thank God you are still alive don't postpone your salvation, make use of the opportunity now.

(b) God's Justified – vs 23

The survived remnants will be taken to captivity to join those already in Babylon, there they will see the wickedness of these people and agree that God was righteous in His Judgment.

QUESTIONS

1. Mention the fourfold judgment that will come upon Judah.
2. Who are the three righteous men referred to in the passage?
3. What can we learn from their lives?
4. State why God will not honor their presence.
5. Was God justified in punishing these people?

JULY 5, 2026

LESSON 27

A USELESS VINE

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 15:1-8

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees, therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hew down and cast into the fire - Matthew 3:10"*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
MON	29/6/2026	The Unfruitful tree	Luke 13:6-9
TUE	30/6/2026	The wicked Vinedressers	Luke 20:9-19
WED	1/7/2026	Known by their fruit	Matt 7:15-20
THUR	2/7/2026	Fruit of the Spirit	Gal 5:22-24
FRI	3/7/2026	Are you Fruitful?	Jn 15:1-5
SAT	4/7/2026	Unfruitful Vine	Ezek. 15:1-5
SUN	5/7/2026	Judgment on Unfruitful Vine	Ezek. 15:6-8

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of planting a tree is to bear good fruit, if a tree fails to produce good fruit, it should be cut down. God purposely selected Israel to be His chosen nation: she was likened to a Vine planted in fertile land to produce good fruit. He brought them out of slavery in Egypt and planted them in Canaan to occupy it. God warned them not to involve in serving idols of the land occupied, for He is a jealous God but to serve Him alone.

The nation Israel, enjoying the blessings of God during the reign of King David as long as they obeyed God, not until the reign of Solomon who introduced idolatry into the Kingdom. Kings that reigned after him followed path of idolatry and became disobedient to God. God expects them to bear fruit of obedience but they bore rebellion. He expects sincere worship but rather they produced spirit of idolatry. Israel became useless to God as it failed to meet God's expectation; therefore God will remove them from the land as a farmer remove unproductive plant and cast them into fire. This should serve as a lesson for use today, we are saved to live for Him therefore we should be careful how we will live our lives, as an individual, we need to ask ourselves if we are doing God's will if not we need to repent so as not to be cast out at last.

LESSON

I. A WORTHLESS VINE

(a) Vine Compared Vs 2

"Son of man what is the vine tree more than any tree, or than a branch which is among the trees of the forest?" The purpose of vine is to bear fruit of its kind. Unlike other trees of the forest, a vine is valuable; it is not cultivated to be used as a fuel for fire but rather to produce good fruit for the owner. The true christian life should be characterized by good fruit produced.

We are chosen to bear fruit; there must be reflection of Christ character in us. (John 15:16) Are you truly born again? Does your life produce fruit of spirit of God stated in Gal 5:22-23? To bear good fruit, we must abide in Christ for without him we cannot do anything (John 15:5-6)

(b) Good for nothing vs 3.

"Shall wood be taken thereof to do any work? Or will men take a pin of it to hang any vessel thereon?" The chosen nation of Israel planted and nurtured became useless and good for nothing for its failure to bear good fruit, therefore, God's terrible judgment will surely come upon the nation that refuses to repent and turn to God. A strong tree in the forest is better than a useless unproductive Vine. It is not even useful for building, it is only good for fire. Christian without good character is not better than unbeliever. Don't just be an ordinary christian, be a useful christian, make yourself available to God. (2 Tim. 2:21) Be spiritually fruitful.

II. JUDGMENT ON A USELESS VINE-

6-8

(a) Set aside to be burned.

Since the vine has failed in bearing fruit, it is useless; it has no value for the farmer the only thing that remains is to be thrown into fire. Since Israel is no longer useful for the Lord, He has decided to throw her into the hand of her enemy who will burn their city with fire. Sinners who refuse to repent will end up in hell fire (Rev. 21:8-).

(b) The city will be desolated

A fruitless vine should not be allowed to occupy space for nothing, absorbing nutrient that is meant for other good plants to grow, it should be destroyed. God had concluded, He will make the land desolate because of her unfaithfulness. Lukewarm christian, you are neither hot nor cold repent and build genuine relationship with the Lord.

QUESTIONS

1. Give description of Israel as a Vine
2. How did she become worthless?

3. What kinds of fruits God expects from us?
4. State God's Judgment on unproductive Vine.
5. What other lessons do you learnt today?

JULY 12, 2026

LESSON 28

GOD'S ABUNDANT GRACE

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- *Ezekiel. 16.1-19*

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men - Titus 2.11.*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
MON	6/7/2026	Saved by Grace	Eph 2:1-13
TUE	7/7/2026	Christ's love for the Church	Eph. 5: 25-27
WED	8/7/2026	Unconditional Lord's love	John 3: 1:9
THUR	9/7/2026	Justification by Grace	Rom 5:1-9
FRI	10/7/2026	The Grace of God	Acts 14: 1-3
SAT	11/7/2026	The Purpose of God's Grace	Titus2:1-15
SUN	12/7/2026	God Cares for you	Ezek. 16: 1-14

INTRODUCTION

The nation of Israel was described as a new born baby that was thrown in an open field, abandoned by her parents and left to die. She did not receive good parental care as an infant; hence she was prone to death. However, the Lord passed by, rescued and nurtured her until she became a matured woman. When she grew up, she got married to the Lord. He loved His wife and showered her with blessings.

Regrettably, the wife of the Lord who was well fed and beautified, became arrogant and ungrateful. She began to practice adultery and later abandoned her legal husband for other men. This parable illustrates the nation of Israel who was graciously chosen by God to be His people (Deut 7:7-8) He rescued her from Egyptian slavery and brought her to Canaan, the land flowing with milk and honey. God blessed her land with gold and silver, but, she later used the blessings to serve idols. Because of her adultery and pride, the Lord her husband decided to punish her. This lesson teaches us to examine ourselves how we are using God's given talents in our lives, is it for God or for the world? We should also remember our beginning whom we were before and whom we are now. When we gave our lives to Jesus, we are married to Him, we must live for Him alone Eph.2.1-8.

LESSON

I. UNMERITED GRACE - VS 1-

(a) Born and Abandoned

The Lord instructed Ezekiel to make known to Jerusalem her sins by reminding her of her beginning. Abraham, her ancestor came from Idolatry nation, Amorite and Hittite before he was graciously called out. God was using an image of a new born baby helplessly left in an open field before the Lord found her and took her to Himself to describe the nation of Israel. Israel was chosen by God's grace to be His people not by any merit. Many of us came from adulterous and wicked generations, we are saved by God's grace through Christ, and therefore we must make our lives glorify God.

(b) Rescued by God. vs 6-7.

The Lord rescued the nation of Israel from death when She was enslaved in Egypt. Instead of been totally wiped out by the enemy, God caused her to multiply and eventually delivered her (Ex. 1.7).

II. UNMERITED LOVE. VS. 8-14

(a) Beautified Bride vs. 8

The child (Israel) grew up and became a matured woman. The Lord performed an act of cleansing on Jerusalem, washed and anointed her with oil, she became a beautiful woman and married to her savior (God). The purpose God chose Israel and decorated her was to display the beauty of God's glory, she was to be the means God will bless all nations. Her source of beauty is God. How does God adorn His Church today? Eph. 5:25-27, Col 3:12-14 Thinks on God's grace on you and your family, Are you living for Him...

III. THE UNGRATEFUL WIFE - VS. 15-19

(a) Trusted in her beauty and fame v. 15

Trusting in her beauty means trusting in her own glory, this speaks of pride and self-reliance forgetting the source of her blessings (Deut. 32:15). Do not give room to pride in your life, acknowledge God as the source of your blessing. Deut 8:15; Ps. 75:6, Jam.1:17).

(b) Misused of God given beauty - V 15

God clothed Jerusalem (Israel) with beauty, but , she gave herself as a prostitute, using her beauty to seduce false gods. How are you using your God given beauty, how many people have you used your beauty to bring down because of your sinful appearance? Think of the consequences of your actions.

(c) Misused of God God given gifts v. 16-19

God gave her gold, silver fine cloth. What did she do with all these blessings? She used them to make images for idols. We are guilty of the same sin when we use our God given blessings, talents and influence for ungodly purposes. These should be used for God's glory rather than selfish gain. Are there any God's given gifts that you might be misusing? Humble yourself now and allow God to take the credit.

QUESTIONS

1. Describe God's relationship with nation of Israel in the context of today's passage.
2. State how God cleansed the baby.
3. Mention some gifts Jesus gave His Church.
4. What should be the proper use of those gifts?

JULY 19, 2026

LESSON 29

THE UNFAITHFUL WIFE

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel. 16:20-34

THE MEMORY VERSE:- Little children keep yourselves from idols -
I John 5:21

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
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MON	13/7/2026	The Folly of Idolatry	Isa. 44: 9-17
TUE	14/7/2026	Flee from Lust	II Tim.2:22-26
WED	15/7/2026	Consequences of Lust	Matt 5:27-30
THUR	16/7/2026	Do not Lust after Evil Things	I Cor. 10:6-12.
FRI	17/7/2026	Unequal Yoke	II Cor 6:14-18
SAT	18/7/2026	Spiritual Adultery	Ezek. 16: 20-25
SUN	19/7/2026	Unholy Alliances	Ezek. 16: 26-34

INTRODUCTION

Israel's adultery has been described as spiritual unfaithfulness, she engaged in worshipping other gods besides the living God such false gods like; Baal, the Canaanites god believed to bring rain and good harvest, Asherah, also Canaanite gods and Molech, the god of Ammonites which involves in practice of child sacrifice in fire. God forbids it. (Deut. 18:9-12; Lev. 18:21) Israel tried to blend the worship of true God with other false gods (Syncretism). You can't serve God and devil (Matt 6:24). Israel also sought alliances with surrounded powerful heathen nations like Egypt and Assyria for security rather than relying on God for her survival. How often do we abandon the living God to trust on worldly power that cannot save us? Some trust in their money, position or materials. Trust in Him, He will uphold you. Ps 20: 7 and 8, 56: 3 and 4, 9:10, 34:5. In our previous lesson we learned how God listed the sins of the nation of Israel, we shall continue today to look at other sins God accused her of.

LESSON

I. THE EVIL WORKS OF ISRAEL

V. 20

(a) Accused of murdering Vs. 20-21

The nation of Israel began to go deep in sin, she has gone from bad to worse. Her idolatry has gone to the extent of sacrificing her sons and daughters in fire to Molech, the Canaanites god which God forbids (Lev 18:21). The Molech god was worshipped by heating a metal statue representing the god until it was red hot, a living infant placed on the out stretched hands of the statue while beating drums and dancing until the child burned to death. This is horrific! When a man departed from God, he will continue to go further in sin. Israel departed from God to serve Idol. Read Isaiah 44:9-18. idol is worthless, watch your departure from God it leads to destruction.

(b) Forgetting the past (v. 22).

Israel has forgotten her state of suffering in Egypt, when God found and rescued her, brought her to the promise land and clothed her with prosperity and power. When she became famous, she rebelled against God. Forgetting God's past grace and faithfulness in your life can cause you to go astray, always remember God's grace and cultivate a heart of gratitude (Ps. 103, 1-5).

(c) Worship of false gods-vs. 23-24

The nation filled her land with statue of idols, building places for worshipping false gods on every street corner. This probably began with King Solomon, when he married daughters of rulers of these pagan countries and brought idolatry worship into the kingdom (1 Kings 11:1-7 also read 2 Kings 17:7-18) Anything you love more than God becomes an idol you worship.

II. UNHOLY ALLIANCES VS.25-26

(a) An alliance with heathen countries was another sin Israel was guilty of. She joined herself with pagan nations like Egypt who earlier enslaved her, she adopted Assyrian gods, craving for what is not true God. Partner with the world to seek for protection and prosperity leads to spiritual compromise and further sin. Guard your life against unholy alliances with unbelievers, trust God for your provision and protection.

(b) Uncommon prostitute.

Unlike the common prostitute who demands payment from her lovers, Israel described as a prostitute gave gifts to her lovers. She bribed those heathen nations with her God given gifts for her unfaithfulness.

Are we also guilty of this sin today? How are we using our talents, money, time, energy and other God given gifts? Let's invest them on things that will bring glory to God and expansion of God's Kingdom rather than things that will draw us away from Him.

QUESTIONS

1. Mention Canaanites gods Israel also worshipped
2. What other sins did Israel commit?
3. What should be the proper use of our God given gifts?
4. In what way are we also serving other gods today?
5. What other things do you learn?

JULY 26, 2026

LESSON 30

JUDGEMENT AND RESTORATION OF UNFAITHFUL WIFE

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 16:35-63

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"And I will restore thy Judges as at the first, and thy counselors as at the beginning, afterward thou shall be called the city of righteousness faithful city. Isaiah 1:26.*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
MON	20/7/2026	The day of the Lord	2 Pet 3:10-13
TUE	21/7/2026	The great day of Judgment	Jude 5-7
WED	22/7/2026	No Partiality with God	Rom. 2:1-16
THUR	23/7/2026	God Judges in Righteousness	Ps 98:1-9
FRI	24/7/2026	Jesus the Fulfillment of the law	Rom-10:4-13
SAT	25/7/2026	God, the Righteous Judge	Ezk-16:36-59
SUN	26/7/2026	Covenant Keeping God	Ezk 16: 60-63

INTRODUCTION

In the previous lesson, we learned about the act of unfaithfulness of the nation, Israel to God her husband. Today's lesson focuses on the judgment that will befall her due to her unfaithfulness. However, God also promised her restoration based on God's covenant to establish a new everlasting covenant based entirely on His grace and faithfulness not on Israel's performance. This promise was fulfilled in Jesus Christ who was made atonement for sin. His sacrifice on the cross provides forgiveness of sins for all both Jews and Gentiles. Believers shared in the new universal covenant and everlasting covenant, we are saved by grace not by works (Eph. 3:8-9)

LESSON

I. THE SERIOUSNESS OF GOD'S JUDGEMENT VS 35-36

(a) Unfaithful wife will be punished

Due to her unfaithfulness, Israel will be punished for her sins. "Because thy filthiness was poured out and thy nakedness discovered through thy whoredom with thy lovers, and with all the idols of thy abominations, and by the blood of thy children when thou didst give unto them" verse 36. She was

accused of adultery; and idolatry to the extent of sacrificed her children to false gods. This reminds us of seriousness of God on sin and calls for our repentance and faithfulness to Him.

(b) Punishment through her lover.

vs. 37-44.

God declared that, the very nation Israel formed an alliance and shared idolatrous practices with, will be used to punish her, they will strip her naked, burn her houses. The nations of Egypt, Assyria and Babylon which Israel made an alliances for security and power later destroyed Jerusalem. This also serves as a lesson for us today, that some things we rely on instead of God can destroy us. Therefore, do not put your trust in mundane perishable materials things of the world, rather on God alone.

**II. JUDAH'S SIN COMPARED TO
SODOM AND SAMARIA-VS 45-59**

**(a) Jerusalem compared to Sodom
and Samaria v.46**

Jerusalem chosen to be a holy city that housed God's temple symbolizing the presence of God among His people now been compared to lesser nations due to her unfaithfulness. Samaria referred to, her older sister, was the capital of the northern Kingdom of Israel known for its idolatry was later destroyed by Assyrians army in 722 BC. Sodom, the younger sister probably in reference to city of Sodom in time of Abraham (Gen.19) which was known for extreme sinfulness against God was finally destroyed by fire. As Christians, we must ensure that we live our lives worthy of children of God.

(b) Jerusalem's sin surpasses

Sodom and Samaria

God states that although Samaria and Sodom were noted for their wickedness and rebellion against God yet, Jerusalem's sins were far worse than them. She was immeasurably blessed in riches and religious ordinances with God's Temple in her midst, She has prophets of God with divine messages and exhortations which Sodom did not have. Christians are we less guilty of the same sins unbelievers are committing today? Sodom had no Bible nor churches, but we have the scripture and servants of God warning us to repent of our sin. No wonder the world looks down on the church today, because of professed Christians who are involved in immorality, crooked business, rape, embezzlement and host of others sins. We are the light of the world let other see Jesus in you.

**III. MESSAGE OF HOPE AND
RESTORATION - VS. 60-63.**

Despite Jerusalem unfaithfulness, God chose to remember His covenant He made with them on Mount Sinai when they became His chosen people. In spite of their failure to keep to the covenant, He remains faithful to His promise. However, he now promised to establish an everlasting covenant with them, this time the new covenant will encompass all race and tribes through the works of Jesus Christ. The Bible declares that Jesus Christ is the mediator of the new covenant which was established on better Promises (Heb 8.6). His sacrificial death on the cross provides the complete forgiveness which the old covenant could not do, therefore, we became God's people by faith in Jesus Christ not by any human effort.

QUESTIONS

1. Explain the severity of God's Judgment on Jerusalem.
2. What comparison was Sodom, Samaria has with Jerusalem?
3. Why will Jerusalem's punishment be greater than Sodom?

4. Explain the New Covenant.

AUGUST 2, 2026

LESSON 31

THE LORD HUMBLER THE PROUD

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel: 17:1-21.

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"For whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted" -Matthew 23:12.*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	27/7/2026	God distant Himself to the proud	Ps 138:1-6
Tuesday	28/7/2026	The power of oath	Deut.7:7-9
	Avoid these things	Matt. 5:33-37	Wednesday 29/7/2026
Thursday	30/7/2026	God Resists the Proud	1 Peter 5:5-8
Friday	31/7/2026	Have the Mind of Christ	Philippians 2:3-8
Saturday	1/8/2026	The Parable of Eagle and the Vine (I)	Ezekiel 17:1-10
Sunday	2/8/2026	The Parable of Eagle and the Vine (II)	Ezekiel 17:11-21

INTRODUCTION

One of the detestable things God hates is pride. Pride is a great sin before the Lord. Pride can lead to several other sins such as underrating others, back biting, slandering, exalting oneself, underrating God or His power. Pride can lead to murder etc. God hates the proud person and nation. Today's lesson shows the pride of Israel and what happens to her. Prophet Ezekiel speaks about it through allegory. This is also known as parable or riddle, but they have meanings. He spoke about two eagles and spreading vine (Ezek. 17: 1-24). The first of this chapter shows the formation of the allegory (verse 1-10); and was followed by the explanation (verse 11-21) and there is appended a promise of a happier future as shown in the allegory. It's like God intends this passage to be read in the light of specific events in the nation's past, present and future history.

LESSON

I. THE PARABLE (Ezek. 17: 1-10)

The parable begins with a description of a great eagle. This eagle lands on the top of a cedar tree in Lebanon. This place is to be understood as the land of Canaan or Judah (Jos. 1:14; 2 Kgs. 14:9). The eagle broke off the topmost shoot of the cedar and carried away to a land of merchants where he planted it in a city of traders. The eagle also took seed from the land and planted it in fertile soil and abundant water, and it spouted and became a law, spreading vine. Moreover, its branches turned toward him, but its roots remained under it (vv. 3-6). After the appearance of this first eagle, another eagle appeared. This one was not as glorious as the first one. One thing that is notable is that, it ignores the fact that it had been planted in a perfect place where it had everything. It needed for glorious splendid growth. The vine did one thing; "it sent out its roots toward him from the plot where it was plant and stretched out its branches to him for water" (vv.7-8). This action has implication. In fact, its decision to treat the second eagle as its source of nourishment had terrible consequences, because the vine will be uprooted and stripped of its fruits so that it withers (v.9a). This means that the vine will no longer thrive and cannot survive, no matter what care is lavished on it, its end will soon come. Can you think of its grievous end?

II. THE INTERPRETATION OF THE ALLEGORY (Ezek. 17:11-21)

After Prophet Ezekiel narrated the parable, he was instructed by God to interpret it to the people (v,11) because it deals with issue of rebellion. Zedekiah, Judah's king was trying to rebel against the king of Babylon (2Kgs 24:20, Jer.37-38) and the rumours of this seem to have triggered a false hope of imminent return among the exiles. Prophet Ezekiel therefore, explains the parable to the people that the first eagle is Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon who deported "the topmost shoot". The topmost shoot here is king Jehoiachin of Judah and his nobles to Babylon. This occurred in 597BC (v.12; see 2Kgs 24:8-17). When Nebuchadnezzar deported them, he put Mattaniah (who happened to be Jehoiachin's uncle) on the throne of Judah but he renamed him as Zedekiah (2Kgs. 24:17-20). In the parable, Zedekiah was the seed planted in fertile soil that grew into fruitful vine.

A treaty was made between Nebuchadnezzar and Zedekiah when he was put on the throne under oath. Nebuchadnezzar's intention of this oath was to keep Zedekiah and Judah subservient to Babylon (17:13-14). But during the time, Zedekiah was attracted to the second eagle- which is Egypt. He broke his treaty without consulting the Lord and sent convoys to Egypt and large army (v.15). This rebellion was disastrous and for some reasons the Egyptian army did not arrive to help Zedekiah when he needed it. So, Zedekiah ended up woefully in Babylon (vv. 16,20-21; Jer. 52:3-11). What marvels us about this message has to do with God holding Zedekiah responsible for breaking his treaty with king of Babylon (17: 18; vv. 15-16). God expects individuals, families, communities, and nations to keep their promises (Num. 30:2; Deut. 23:21-23; Eccl. 5:4-7). In Psalms 15: 4 the person "who keeps his oath, even when it hurts him" is praised by the Psalmist. In Ezekiel 17:18 God speaks of Zedekiah as despising God's oath and breaking His covenant. This is because the oath and covenant made between Zedekiah and Nebuchadnezzar was made in God's name (2Chro. 36:18). Thus, it is taken as a promise made to God. Brethren, be very careful when making a promise, covenant or taking oath in whatever form it may be, whether political, judicial, religious etc. we should ensure that we are ready to comply before taking such oath or covenant. It is better not to make a promise or covenant or take an oath than to do so and fail to fulfil it.

QUESTIONS

1. Narrate the parable or allegory.
2. Explain the meaning of the parable.
3. Which of the Israel's king broke the covenant and what was its consequences?
4. Why was the covenant between Zedekiah and Nebuchadnezzar taken as covenant to God?
5. (a) Each Participant should mention lessons learnt.
(b) What advice can you give to leaders and the individuals?

AUGUST 9, 2026

LESSON 32

THE LORD EXALTS THE HUMBLE

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 17:22-24

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"And all the trees of the field shall know that I the LORD have brought down the high tree, have exalted the low tree, have dried up the green tree, and have made the dry tree to flourish: I the LORD have spoken and have done it." (Ezekiel 17:24)*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	3/8/2026	Being an Humble Man	Number 12:1-5
Tuesday	4/8/2026	Being Humble for a Purpose	Deut. 8:1-5
Wednesday	5/8/2026	The Proud is brought Low	Job 40:6-12
Thursday	6/8/2026	The Cry of the Humble	Psalms 9:9-12
Friday	7/8/2026	The Desire of the Humble	Psalms 10:16-18
Saturday	8/8/2026	The Lifts up the Humble	Psalms 147:1-6
Sunday	9/8/2026	The Low Tree is Exalted	Ezekiel 17:22-24

INTRODUCTION

The future of the humble is bright because the Lord exalts the low and meek. God is interested in the matter of the humble ones who put their hope in God, whose trust is in the Lord. No matter what the enemy may have done or the proud may have vaunt, God's purpose for His children will surely come to pass. So, whatever you are passing through today trust in the Lord, humble yourself at his feet. He has a brighter future for you. Our today's lesson is on a glorious future which God has for Israel, although Israel has been humiliated yet, God had a good plan for them. The two eagles (i.e. earthly imperial powers) has attempted to exercise kingly rule over God's people but God says "no" to that.

LESSON

I. DIVINE INTERVENTION EZEKIEL

17: 22-23

1. God himself will act
2. He will take a shoot from the very top of a cedar and plant it
3. He will plant it on a high and lofty mountain.

If God does this Himself, do you think the enemy has power to do against it or uproot it? No.

4. These "mountain height of Israel" may be mount Zion, which the prophets identify as the hub of the messianic kingdom. Read Ezekiel 20:40, Psalm 2:6, Micah 4:1.

II. THE GLORY OF THE GOD

PLANTED CEDAR (EZEK. 17:23b-24)

1. The cedar that God plants will flourish. Know that whatever God does is always good and produces good result. His plan for you will surely produce good results.
2. The plant will provide shelter for birds of every kind (v.23b). This means that, even though you have been ignored before, abandoned, despised, mocked etc, by the time God's glory appears on you, (Isa. 60:1-8) those people will come to seek your help.
- 3 It will be clear that this is the work of God, because He will introduce a reversal in which the tall tree grows tall (Ezek. 17:14) and the green tree dries while the dry tree flourishes (v.24)
4. The tall tree and the green tree here may imply the political powers that have tried to subjugate God's people. It also stands to mean those who are waging war against the progress and glory of God's people. The principalities and powers who are contending the future of God's people (Eph. 6:12). But, when God arises for His people, these powers will submit.
5. When God brings this power – the tall tree and the green down, He will exalt His people and all the trees of the field will know that He is indeed the Lord.

Remember the testimony of Hannah in the Bible in 1 Sam. 2:1-10 and testimony of Moses and Miriam regarding the marvellous work of God in their life in Exo. 15:1-21.

6. This is what God has ordained and promised to do. This great passage of hope and restoration concludes with emphasis “I the Lord have spoken, and I will do it”. Therefore, you too should believe what God has said and promised to do for you, your family and nation. Trust Him, do His will and keep on humbly following Him.

QUESTIONS

1. Describe what God intends to do for Israel.
2. What will happen to the tall tree and green tree?
3. Mention three people that gave testimonies about their experiences of God's intervention in today's lesson.
4. What assurance did God give to His people?
5. What will happen to Israel by the time God perfects His promise to Israel?
6. Explain the last 1 week in detail.

AUGUST 16, 2026

LESSON 33

THE FATHERS ATE THE SOUR GRAPES AND THE CHILDREN'S TEETH ARE SET ON EDGE

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 18:1-4

THE MEMORY VERSE:- “What mean ye, that ye use this proverb concerning the land of Israel, saying, The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge?” (Ezekiel 18:2)

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	10/8/2026	It is Personal	Deut. 24:16-18
Tuesday	11/8/2026	Death's Sentence on Rebel	Number 14:26-28
Wednesday	12/8/2026	The Children are Excepted	Number 14:29-34
Thursday	13/8/2026	Sin has Wages	Romans 6:21-23
Friday	14/8/2026	Only Jesus Bears Our Sins	Hebrews 9:24-28
Saturday	15/8/2026	Individuals shall Die of His/Her Sin	Jeremiah 31:27-35
Sunday	16/8/2026	The Archaic Proverb	Ezekiel 18:1-4

INTRODUCTION

This chapter is one of the biblical passages which is often invoked in the debate among biblical scholars regarding the relationship of cooperate and individual responsibility in the life of covenant people of God. But, this chapter does not imply individual responsibility being opposed to the cooperate responsibility of the nation before God. But it unveils that Israelites are both corporately and individually responsible to the covenant Lord.

This proverb: “fathers ate sour grapes and the children's teeth set on edge” has been in existence among the Israelites even in the land of exile. God gave a surprising response to the people of Israel regarding the proverb.

LESSON

I. GOD'S RESPONSE TO THE PROVERB

(a) The Background of the Proverb (vs. 1)

The opening words in the chapter shows that a dispute has been going on between God and His people in exile. Read verse 1, Jeremiah 31:29 also mentioned this saying too which indicates that it was on the minds of the exiles at that time.

What the people are complaining about or saying is that they were suffering the consequences of the sins of their forefathers. This word is repeated in Lamentation 5:7 that "Our fathers sinned and are no more, and we bear their punishment. This complain of the people implies that God is being unjust in allowing things to go in this way; that, it is unfair. It is suffering or problem of evil that makes human beings to think that God is unfair, and unjust to some people whereas, it isn't so. There are reasons behind every action God takes.

II. GOD'S RESPONSE

God spoke through His messenger in a simple way saying, "surely as I live, declares the sovereign Lord, you will no longer quote this proverb in Israel" (Ezek. 18:3). This means that God will put an end to it. Because He will do it, He emphasises two fundamental truth that support His royal pronouncement. Firstly, He made them to know that every living soul belongs to Him. He created us all and so all of us belong to him. Issue of heredity therefore does not apply because "both alike belong to me" so individually we belong to him. Second fundamental truth is that "the soul who sin is the one who will die". This implies that we are individually responsible to God for our actions and how we conduct ourselves. Which means that we cannot hide behind any excuse, or shift blame to our ancestors, or our parents nor our upbringing, poverty, ignorance, environment or anything else for our predicament. We are to know that God judges man's action and knows the intention before an action takes place, therefore, check your intention before you turn it to action.

QUESTIONS

1. What was the complaint of Israelites in exile?
2. Quote the proverb and explain its meaning.
3. What was God's response to the proverb?
4. Do we have similar proverb in Africa?
If yes says it.

AUGUST 23, 2026

LESSON 34

OUR DESTINIES ARE IN OUR HANDS

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 18:5-18

THE MEMORY VERSE:- "But if a man be just, and do that which is lawful and right", (Ezekiel 18:5)

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	17/8/2026	Listen to Instruction	Proverbs 1:8-12 Tuesday 18/8/2026
	Leave Good Inheritance	Proverbs 13:21-24	

Wednesday	19/8/2026	Train Up a Child	Proverbs 22:1-6	
Thursday	20/8/2026	Correct Your Children	Proverbs 29:15-17	Friday
	21/8/2026	Children are God's Heritage	Psalms 127:1-5	
Saturday	22/8/2026	A just Father	Ezekiel 18:5-9	
Sunday	23/8/2026	A Wicked Son	Ezekiel 18:10-18	

INTRODUCTION

In our today's lesson, God is making it known to Ezekiel's audience that their destinies are in their own hands and the same thing is applicable to us today. The choice of life and death is theirs. Brethren, we should know that our actions and inactions are as a result of our freewill and this determines what next. For the people of Israel to understand what God was saying, He presents the cases of three hypothetical individuals: a father, a son and a grandson.

LESSON

I. THE CASE OF A RIGHTEOUS FATHER (EZEK. 18:5-9)

God presents before them a lifestyle of a man who is a father. This man had one son. The father was said to be a righteous man. He shows his righteousness in what he does (Ezek. 18:5). The list of his action seems to be a standard catalogue of virtues. The virtues relate to:

- a. Religious and sexual practices (v. 6).
- b. Economic, financial and legal relationships (v. 7-8).

They both have dos and don'ts. That is, they include things the righteous man does and does not do. His way of life is summed up in verse 9a "He follow my decrees and faithfully keeps my laws". God's assessment on such a man is "that man is righteous, he will surely live" (verse 9b).

It is expected of every child of God to live a righteous life. It is righteousness that exalts a nation. Although the modern society is becoming more corrupt every day, but children of God must not follow the way of the worldly people. We must keep the law of our God and obey Him.

II. THE CASE OF THE SON OF A RIGHTEOUS FATHER (EZEK. 18:10-13)

The man has a son who ought to follow the path of his father, but he is not at all like his father. He is described as a "violent son, who sheds blood" (v. 10-11b). The list of what this son does and does not is listed in Ezek 18:11b-13a. The list is like the list of virtues in verse 6-8 except that the son does the opposite of what the father does. What do you think the father will be feeling or thinking about that son? Parents should try their best in training their children and be praying to God for their children. Should the father of this boy be blamed for the son's behaviour? This son does the exact opposite of what the father does. Despite the similarity of the list, the judge of all the earth (Gen 18:25), does not use one set of standards for one person and another set of standards for another. The bedrock principles of God's justice are the decrees and laws stated in verse 9 of Ezekiel 18. God makes it clear that the righteous father will live, and the unrighteous son will die. The son cannot blame anyone for his situation thus "His blood will be on his own head".

III. THE CASE OF THE GRAND SON OF THE RIGHTEOUS GRAND FATHER (EZEKIEL 18: 14-18)

This section is on the grandson of the hypothetical family. This grandson "sees all the sins his father commits and though he sees them, he does not do such things" (v. 14). Children, it is not everything that

your parents do that you must do or follow. Follow only what is good and lawful. This son sees those evil things his father was doing but he decided to be different and far away from evil and bad conduct. He does not blindly follow his father's bad example. This grandson uses his God-given power of choice and "does not do such things." We were not told if he knew his grandfather who lived a righteous life, but he decided not to follow the wicked way of his own father. God's verdict on this grandson is stated in verse 17b "he keeps my laws and follows my decrees". Compare this verse with verse 9. The outcome of the life of this grandson is stated positively and negatively: he will not die for his father's sin. Because his father's sour grapes will not set this son's teeth on edge. This "son will surely live". What this implies is that his father will die for his own sin because he practiced extortion, robbed his brother and did what was wrong among his people (Ezek. 18:18).

You can read Ezek. 18:19-32 for further responses of God.

QUESTIONS

1. Mention the disputes that came up between the Israelites and God
2. Explain the parable which God used to make it clear to Israel about individual's responsibility.
3. Why was the grandson declared righteous by God?
4. What is your advice to parents and children?
5. Mention some lessons you learn from today's lesson.

AUGUST 30, 2026

LESSON 35

A LAMENT FOR LEADERS OF ISRAEL

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 19:1-14

THE MEMORY VERSE:- "Moreover take thou up a lamentation for the princes of Israel", Ezekiel 19:1

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	24/8/2026	Parable of Lions	Ezekiel 19:1-9
Tuesday	25/8/2026	Parable of Vine	Ezekiel 19:10-14
Wednesday	26/8/2026	The Result of Jehoahaz's Evil	2 Kings 23:31-35
Thursday	27/8/2026	King Zedekiah's Bereavement	2Kings 25:1-7
Friday	28/8/2026	David's Lamentation	2 Sam. 1:17-27
Saturday	29/8/2026	Lamentation Over Israel	Amos 5:1-6
Sunday	30/8/2026	Jesus Laments on the Temple	Luke 19:41-44

INTRODUCTION

The word lament according to *Oxford Dictionary of English* means to feel or express great sadness or disappointment about somebody or something. It also means a song, poem or other expression of great sadness for somebody who has died or for something that has ended. In our today's lesson, the lament is a metered (three beats plus two beats) chants which is usually composed for funerals of fallen leaders as we have seen in 2 Sam. 1:17-27. But this chant is often used sarcastically by the old testament prophets to lament or to predict the death of a nation, princes, kings etc (Read Isaiah 14:21; Amos 5:1-3; Ezek. 2:10). It is of note that prophet Ezekiel may not have shed tears over the wicked last kings of Judah

especially for the least of all Zedekiah, but the prophet found it difficult to witness the demise of the Davidic dynasty without profound sorrow. How many prophets or men of God are sorrowful over the predicaments in Nigeria today? How many are groaning in prayer for the nation? Ezekiel lamented for the leaders of his nation and the nation too.

The lament is divided into two having break marked by the change of imagery from a lioness and lions (19:1-9) to a vine (19:10-14).

LESSON

I. THE LIONESS AND LIONS (EZEK.

19:1-19)

The prophet uses a lion to represent individuals, nations or royalty. Israelites know what lions represent. They are familiar with its meaning (read Gen. 49:8-10; Num. 23:24; Mic. 5:8. Lion is one of the strongest and powerful animals and it's been feared by other animals. Its roar threatens other animals. In this passage, the lioness which is a mother represents the nation of Israel not an individual mother. This lioness brought up one of her cubs and he became a strong lion (Ezek. 19:1-3). This means one of the Israelites became strong. He learned how to fight (i.e. to tear prey) and started to devour men (i.e. killing), other nations heard about him and they trapped him in their net. This shows that he was not vigilant. His power and pride made him to fall, and they led him with hooks to the land of Egypt (v. 4). This lion is identified as king Jehoahaz of Judah who was seized by Pharaoh Neco in 609BC and taken to Egypt and there he died (Read 2 Kings 23:31-35).

Whatever leadership position you are occupying, humble yourself even among other leaders. Don't allow your achievement, power etc to enter your head or be filled with pride. Such act always has serious grievous consequences.

When the hope of the lioness was lost over the trapped lion, she raised another cub to become a strong lion who became more stronger than his predecessor. He did not only teared prey and devoured men, he prowled among the lions. Due to his strength, he broke down the stronghold of other lions and devastated their towns to the extent that the land and its inhabitants were terrified by his roaring (v. 6-7). Due to this, nations and the neighbouring regions came and spread their net for him. He too was trapped like his predecessor, but he was not taken by hook but pulled into a cage and brought to the king of Babylon (v.8-9). He was mercilessly humiliated. The identity of this lion has been subjected to represent Jehoiachin who was taken to Babylon in 597 BC or Zedekiah, the last king of Judah who was blinded and taken to Babylon after the fall of Jerusalem in 587 BC (read 2Kgs. 25:1-7).

II. A VINE (Ezek. 19:10-14)

Israel is very familiar with symbol of vine. Read Ezek. 15:1-6; 17:1-10; Ps. 80:8-16; Isa. 5:1-7; 27:2-6. In this passage the mother who represents the nation is said to be like a vine planted by the water. It was fruitful and full of branches and the branches are strong and fit for a ruler's sceptre (v. 10-11) bringing in the idea of royalty. The height of vine is not low but this one is described as brought low. It shows that elements of pride were found in it and this led to its downfall. It was uprooted in fury and thrown to the ground (v.12a). East wind came and replanted it in the desert, in a dry and thirsty land (v. 13). The desert land refers to Babylon which withered the strong branches and consumed them with fire (v. 12c). But it is saddening that one of the branches of the vine contributed to its demise as shown in verse 14 that "fire spread from one of its main branches and consumed its fruits" (v.14). This branch is said to be Zedekiah, the last King of Judah whose rebellion precipitated the Babylonians captivity. The prophet therefore lamented that no strong branch is left on it fit for a ruler's sceptre.

QUESTIONS

1. Explain what the lioness did to her cubs
2. Explain what the trained cubs did

and what later happened to them respectively.

3. Who are to be blamed for what happened to the lions?
4. What does East wind and the desert land stand for?
5. What lessons do you learn?

SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

LESSON 36

GOD MADE HIS MIND KNOWN TO THE ENQUIRERS

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 20: 1-9

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"To the pure you show yourself pure, but to the crooked you show yourself shrewd" - (Ps. 18: 26).*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	31/8/2026	Seek the Lord now	Isaiah 55: 1-6
Tuesday	1/9/2026	Turn to the Lord genuinely	Isaiah 55: 7- 11
Wednesday	2/9/2026	As you are so will God with you	Psalms 18: 20-26
Thursday	3/9/2026	Don't be a hypocrite	Matt. 15: 7-9
Friday	4/9/2026	God's displeasure revealed	Ezekiel 20: 1-4
Saturday	5/9/2026	God's love shown to his people	Ezekiel 20: 5-7
Sunday	6/9/2026	Don't be rebellious	Ezekiel 20: 8-9

INTRODUCTION

When the Israelites were seven years into their captivity in Babylon and about two years after prophet Ezekiel began to prophesy, certain unidentified elders came to hear from God through his prophet. Whether these elders were part of the captivity or came from Jerusalem for such enquiry is not explicitly clear. They came as those who really had the heart to look for and hear from their Creator and Maker through his prophet but lo, not with the right heart. Their enquiry was hypocritical and never true to their heart. Is this not the state of the heart of many in God's presence and service today? Hence, the scripture says, ***"This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me."*** (Matthew 15:8).

LESSON

I. APPEARING BEFORE GOD FOR ENQUIRY (Ez. 20: 1-3)

It is a noble thing to go to God in order to know his mind on every aspect of one's life. A number of saints of old consulted with God on one occasion or the other either directly or through his vessels. Moses consulted with God on Mount Sinai and there got instructed by him (Ex. 19: 3-8). At different times and occasions in the life of David, he consulted with God and got instructions and directions as it were (1Sam. 23: 1-5; 30:1-19; 2 Sam. 2: 1-3; 5: 17-25). It is needless however, to begin a journey one is not willing to go through and especially to the end. Appearing before God to know his will with an already made mind tailored towards self-will is a waste of one's time, a waste of God's ministers' precious time, and a grave waste of God's grace upon his vessels. It is better not to go to God for enquiry on a matter than to seek for his mind with the intention of not being ready to yield to his directives. Hence, it appears God was not ready to tell them anything since he knew they were not sincere in their enquiry (Ezekiel 20: 3).

II. GOD WAS ANGRY AT HIS PEOPLE (Ezek. 20: 2-4)

When it was clear that the seekers were hypocritical individuals, God instructed the prophet to declare his (God's) mind to them. Primarily, he was instructed to judge them. In other words, the prophet should confront them with the truth of their heart which was nothing different from what their father's deeds and lifestyles were. He was to condemn these detestable acts in stern terms. God is ever displeased with rebellion no matter how small it may look.

The above shows God was angry at his people. God's displeasure and anger was also the reason he was not ready to see them come to make enquiry concerning anything from him. The Bible says God is angry against the sinner on a daily basis (Psalms 7: 11). Also, a sinner is already under God's judgment except he repents (Ezek. 18: 20). Do not live in sin and rebellion if you do not want God's anger to come upon you. Repent of your sins now, before it is too late.

III. THE PROPHET TOLD WHAT TO SAY (Ezek. 20: 5-9)

We need to note with utmost attention that all what the prophet was to say was what he was told by God (Ezek. 20: 2, 3). Ministers of God must learn to tarry in God's presence enough to hear from him what to declare to his church and people. They must not just bring their own word to the pulpit but God's mind from the throne of grace. They must learn to say it raw and plain without fear or favour. They must be bold and fearless but with all humility and great sense of responsibility in bringing God's word to his people. Brother Stephen was a great example in this respect (Acts 6, 7). Balance must also be maintained in the discharge of the divine oracle, milk for babes (1Pet. 2: 2-3), solid food and bone for the matured in faith (Heb. 5: 12-14; John 6: 53-61), and entreaty for the lost out there (Matt. 9: 2; John 8: 10-11; Luke 15: 20-24; Acts 13: 43; 2Cor. 5: 11). In all, God's vessels bringing his mind to his people must do it in love.

Without ambiguity, God's word came to the enquirers. They were told how God related with their fathers before them and their fathers' unfortunate dispositions to his magnanimity as revealed below:

1. God chose Israel out of all the nations of the world. What a privilege!
2. To Israel only God revealed himself (Ex. 6: 3). What a privilege!
3. God promised deliverance from the Egyptian bondage and the possession of the Promised Land by them (Ezek. 20: 6; Deut. 8: 7; 11:12). Which going through the scriptures we all know was fulfilled to the latter.
4. Divine instruction to get rid of all idols and images was given. Unfortunately, they disobeyed and rebelled (Ezek. 20: 7, 8). Have you got rid of the idols in your heart and life? Let us mention a few of those idols that plague our smooth relationship with God today. God is a jealous God, he would not want to share his space in your life with anyone or anything (Ex. 20: 3; Deu. 4: 23). Let him have all of your time, talents and resources.
5. Left with no option, God was prepared to punish them. Yet he did not, for the honour of his name (Ezek. 20: 8, 9). God's Judgment upon the rebellious is sacrosanct, inevitable and imminent but he is being patient if the reprobates would come to repentance (2Pet. 3: 9).

Those were the words God gave to his prophet to declare to Israel as a result of their ingratitude and rebellion. The way we live our lives in the kingdom reveals a lot about whether we acknowledge and are grateful for all God has done for us and the daily opportunities he is bringing our way. If we are grateful

we will be submissive and obedient to his instructions and doing his bidding would not be a daunting task for us (1John 5: 3).

The prophet declared the message the way he was sent, he did not add to or remove from it. There was no reason for padding. God's word must be presented whole and without manipulations. Ministers of God must watch in this regards.

Are you sincere in your worship before God? Are you prepared for rebuke and correction from the pulpit or you only come to show off your presence and appearance? Humble yourself and obey his words coming to you from your private study or from the pulpit today.

QUESTIONS

1. Who was the prophet consulted?
2. Who consulted the prophet?
3. What was their mindset before the prophet?
4. How should a minister of God handle message delivery?
5. State at least three things the prophet was asked to tell those who consulted with him.

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LESSON 37

ISRAEL DESPISED DIVINE INSTRUCTIONS

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 20: 10-17

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from being king." (1 Samuel 15:23).*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	7/9/2026	Disobedience is costlier	1 Kings 13: 20-26
Tuesday	8/9/2026	Both is rewarding	Isaiah 1: 18-2
Wednesday	9/9/2026	All words and work will be judged	Eccl. 12: 13-14
Thursday	10/9/2026	Not hearers but doers	James 1: 21-25
Friday	11/9/2026	Rebellion is like witchcraft	1 Sam. 15: 22-26
Saturday	12/9/2026	Follow God's instructions	Ezek. 20: 10-12
Sunday	13/9/2026	Don't be rebellious	Ezek. 20: 13-17

INTRODUCTION

God was not done in showing Israel her sin, taking it from their manner of life starting from while they were in Egypt, referring to their fathers as we considered in the previous lesson. The message given to prophet Ezekiel to relate to the nation of Israel through the elders that came consulting, continues with God addressing the way and attitudes of their fathers at different times of their lives. Now, it was their dispositions to his instructions while going through the wilderness that are here recounted. It is disturbing to have fathers behave in ignoble manners to their Creator and his instructions. We must also learn from the instruction to the prophet to bring to remembrance the rebellion of those who had lived and long gone over five hundred years ago that there is nothing we do today that would not be brought to remembrance in due cause. This fact should guide our attitudes and actions on a daily basis to live right and act in praiseworthy manner both in relation to spiritual as well as secular things (Eccl. 12: 14).

LESSON

I. GOD GAVE ISRAEL HIS STATUS

(Ezek. 20: 10-12)

To show how much God took special interest in his people, he gave them laws to guide them. He did not want them to live a careless and carefree life. He did not want them to live like other nations who did not have and serve same God with them. He wanted them to be different and distinct among the nations of the world. He would not want them to just live like just anybody for the reason that they were meant to be a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a peculiar people; showing forth the praises of their Maker and Caller (1 Peter 2:9). So, the given laws were meant for this purpose, that when they obey them (the laws) to the latter, living them (the laws) out in their day to day lives, activities and religious engagements, the world around them would see their peculiarities and relate with them in like manner. We must know that God's words are his laws for us all. That's what distinguishes us from the unbelievers. His words set us apart as we are expected to live our lives in consonant with his words (Psalms 119: 9; 11, 72).

Significantly, God made it clear in his instructions through his prophet that his laws when followed and obeyed will give life to its adherents (vs. 11). To live with God is to keep his commandments (John 14: 15). What is the opposite of life? What happens when someone decides to live without or against his laws (words)? If living by his laws meant life, living against his laws invariable, is tantamount to death. Obedience is key to living. When the first man and woman disobeyed divine instructions they ushered in death, but as long as they obeyed they lived.

Sabbath days were days ordained by God to be set apart, made holy, dedicated to the service of God and personal rest from daily labour among the Israelites. Sabbaths remind Israel of God's covenant with them, as their God and they, his people. Observance of Sabbath was meant to be strictly adhered to as an Israelite. This in a way portrays their reverence and honour to their God and his commands as they willingly and wholeheartedly obey him. To show the significance and gravity of the Sabbath, penalties were attached to any act of defaulting in its strict observance (Ex. 35: 2, 3; Lev. 23: 3; 26: 35). Special notice is taken of the word "Sabbaths" signifying not just one Sabbath even as it relates to gathering within the week. Today in the kingdom also, we have more than the specified Sabbaths among the Israelites to observe as those under the new and better covenant. We are to honour the gatherings and fellowships of brethren as worship schedules and as occasions call for them in addition to the Lord's day worship which is customary and inevitable (Heb. 10: 27). These are our Sabbaths today under the new covenant. Believers in Christ must beware of showing up once a week when there are weekly worship services or special worship services during the week as occasions call for them. They should make themselves available for them as they are now all that constitute the observance of our Sabbaths today, as we are to live and do better than those under the Mosaic law in every respect as those under new and better covenant (Acts 2: 42, 46, 47; 3: 1, 2).

II. ISRAEL'S DISREGARD FOR GOD'S

STATUS (Ezek. 20: 13-16)

Israel's disregard for God's status were considered as rebellion. Rebellion is refusal to accept some authority or code or convention. It is defiance of authority or control. Israel refuse God's authority and control over them by simply disobeying his laws and instructions. It doesn't take much to be rebellious, it takes just a simple disobedience to instructions.

Specifically, the rebellion was noted in the following act:

1. Refusal and failure to walk in the laws of God - when certain laws or instructions from God does not go down well with us, don't we reject them? Haven't we on many occasions chosen our own ways instead of his (Isa. 55: 8, 9)? Whether God's instructions to us are favourable or not we must learn to submit to them and not to refuse them.

2. Contempt for God's instructions - how do we treat God's words coming from the altar and pulpits today? When God's servants are communicating God's mind to us how do we feel and even react? Are we not among those that involve in side-talk in opposition to what is being said on the pulpit simultaneously as the word of God is being delivered? We have to watch our act and attitude to God's word and instructions.

3. Pollution of the Sabbaths - they acted against God's instructions concerning making holy and honourable unto the Lord the Sabbaths. They failed to keep the Sabbaths as required and expected of them. Where were you when there were calls for the people of God to gather together for worship? Are you among those who claim not to have time to show up for Bible studies and prayer meetings in your local assembly but have time to attend ceremonies and functions that sometimes even take more hours and resources from you than you spend in service? Repent today and do not pollute the Sabbaths any longer.

4. Idolatry in the heart - they were claiming to still be of God but deep in their heart is the desire to go after idols (Ezek. 20: 16d). How many people today are in church but their heart is in and with something else. The idols of money, work, fame, success by all means, etc., are deeply rooted in our hearts. The Creator is looking at what is in our hearts and how they align with his will, let us beware.

III. GOD'S PLANS TO PUNISH

ISRAEL AND HIS MAGNANIMITY AFTERWARDS (Ezek. 20: 13-17)

a. God's decision to punish his people

With the rebellion of Israel came God's decision to punish his beloved children. The following are the punishments:

1. God decided to pour his anger

on them (Ezek. 20: 13g) - who can stand the anger of God?

2. God changed his mind on bringing them into the Promised Land (Ezek. 20: 15). We should be guided because our misbehaviour can cause God to change his mind on his beautiful plans for our lives. Eli and his lineage was a victim of this (1Sam. 2: 27-30).

3. God decided to consume them - he promised to do that in his anger (Ez. 20: 13h). He was and still a consuming fire, let us beware (Heb. 12: 29).

b. God's Magnanimity

Though displeased with their attitude and ways, and promised to punish them, yet he showed them mercy. God decided not to punish as he earlier purported for certain crucial reason: For his name sake - God was conscious and concerned with what would be said of his name among the heathen, hence, he reframed from the punishment he intended against them (Ezek. 20: 14). We must hold in high esteem the name of the Lord by not doing anything that would give the unbelievers opportunity to speak against the name of Christ.

All that have been considered above were God's word to Prophet Ezekiel as he showed his displeasure towards Israel's rebellion. He brought into remembrance what transpired in the wilderness while they left Egypt. It is good to learn from the mistakes of those who have gone ahead to serve as guide against falling into same or similar pit. Learn from the mistakes of the Israelites today and let your life take different direction for good.

QUESTIONS

1. The issues related about the Israelites happened where?
2. What is the result of living by God's law according to the lesson?

3. What is God's law for us today?
4. How should the Israelites relate to the Sabbaths?
5. State three punishments planned by God for his rebellious children and what prevented him from their execution.

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LESSON 38

LIKE PARENTS; LIKE CHILDREN

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- *Ezekiel 20:18-26*

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." (Proverbs 22:6)*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	14/9/2026	Parents, Beware!	Gen. 27: 5-13
Tuesday	15/9/2026	Train your children in godly ways	Prov. 22: 1-6
Wednesday	16/9/2026	Not to be like their fathers	Psalms 78: 1-8
Thursday	17/9/2026	Avoid God's wrath	Psalms 78: 30-38
Friday	18/9/2026	Backslidden like their fathers	Psalms 78: 54-64
Saturday	19/9/2026	Do not walk in parents' ungodly ways	Ezek. 20: 18-20
Sunday	20/9/2026	Rebellion is fatal	Ezek. 20: 21-26

INTRODUCTION

In the previous lesson, we saw how God was displeased with his beloved people due to their rebellion. It was the rebellion of the fathers that was addressed in the lesson. The generation before, which were the fathers provoked God to wrath through their willful disobedience and acts, to the point God was determined to destroy them but for his mercies. In today's lesson, it was the children God was complaining about taking after their rebellious parents. Could the reason for this be far-fetched, I do not think so. The nature-nurture tussle concept in psychology might apply here in unraveling the misery, if any. It is the explanation given to human behaviour being a product of two factors, the heredity, and the environment. The theory explains that every behaviour a man puts up or on is what he has both inherited from his parents as well as learnt from his environment. Parents are models to their children. Whether directly or indirectly, parents are modelling a path of life their children should go through. This is why parents must watch their ways, words and lifestyles around their children and at whatever place they find themselves. Moreover, the environment which constitutes more than just the place we dwell but other elements there in shape behaviour. Parents must also take special care of the environment their children are exposed to, people they relate with, movies they see, music they listen to, and companies they keep. They must not be nonchalant or careless about all these.

LESSON

I. GOD'S COMMAND TO THEIR CHILDREN (Ezek. 20: 18-20)

God's commands here are both warnings and instructions that if yielded to would do them good. We saw how much God loved them and was concerned about them to have given them warnings and instructions as a loving and caring Father who would not want any hurt for his children. God warned the children of the rebellious fathers as well as instructed them thus:

1. Do not walk in or follow your

parents' laws (Ezek. 20: 18a-c) - that was a clear indication that their parents' laws were in variant with God's laws. Any law that contravenes God's laws must not be followed no matter where it is coming from. Remember Nebuchadnezzar's instruction for all to bow to his golden image. The three Hebrew children saw that instruction as that which did not align with what they knew to be their own God's instructions so they jettisoned it even when doing that meant death penalty (Dan. 3:10-30). Yes, children are to obey their parents but we must not forget that "only in the Lord" (Eph. 6: 1). Your unbelieving father with ungodly counsels to you must be seen as one moving you against God's holy instructions, same is true of your parents who claim they are also Christians but give you ungodly counsels. Parents that come late to church activities should beware, they are teaching their children to do same. Parents that come only once in a week to worship activities are indirectly telling their children that some services and programmes in the church are not important so they do not need to be there. We are all sowing seeds that will germinate to bear fruits tomorrow. What fruits would you like to see the seed you are sowing today produce in your children tomorrow?

2. Do not defile yourselves with your

parents' idols (Ezek. 20: 18d) - their parents have devised different means of approaching divinity by crafting images and turning them into gods which was against God's laws to them (Ex. 20:1-5). To break this wicked trend, God warned their children not to join in the rebellion. He warned them by letting them know that doing that would mean the defilement of their spirit and soul which would eventually take turn on their body. Again, we remember the Hebrew children who decided not to defile themselves with the king rich meal (Dan. 1: 8). It is still the same warning to us today as children of God, we must beware of defiling our spirit, soul and body with our parents' idols or the ones we have made for ourselves.

3. Do not walk in your parents'

statutes (Ezek. 20: 19a-c) - they are not to walk in their parents' statutes or their own statutes but in God's. Seize from your own ways come follow his paths that leads to life (Prov. 14: 12; 16: 25).

4. Live by God's laws (Ezek. 20: 19d) - that is, learn to do God's will. Christ said thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven (Matt. 6: 10). Taking to God's instructions is submission to his will, which is expected of all believers in Christ. Examine your position in the light of this.

5. Keep the Sabbaths holy (Ezek. 20:

20) - God wanted the children of the rebellious to become obedient to the keeping of the Sabbaths holy and not defile it like their parents. Honouring and respecting every time and moment to be in God's presence as our Sabbaths is a sign that we recognize him as our Lord. "Lord" speaks of ownership. If he is truly our Lord he must be lord over all. An adage in Yoruba roughly translated into English puts it better: The owner of a slave is the owner of what he (the slave) owns. If God is your Lord, it will not be difficult for you to be in his presence whenever he calls.

II. THE CHILDREN REBELLED JUST LIKE THEIR PARENTS

It was like a lamentation as God poured out his heart's pain in the matters of the children of the rebellious parents. It shows in a way that God expected much better way of life from them but they were such disappointment to him.

What the disappointments were:

1. They rebelled against God (Ezek. 20: 21)
2. They failed to walk in God's laws - (Ezek. 20: 21)
3. They refused obeying God's commands - (Ezek. 20: 21)
4. They polluted the Sabbaths - (Ezek. 20: 21)

5. They had their eyes and hearts on their fathers' idols (Ez. 20: 24).

III. GOD'S DECISION TO DEAL WITH THEIR CHILDREN (Ezek. 20: 21-26)

a. God's unpleasant decision

In Physics, Newton Third Law of Motion states: For every action there is an equal and opposite reaction. For the rebellious path the children have also decided to walk in just like their parents, God had the mind to deal with them just same way as their parents:

1. God promised to release his wrath upon them (Ezek. 20: 21)
2. God wanted to scatter them among gentile nations (Ezek. 20: 23)
3. God treated them badly, giving them laws that can give them no goodness and life (Ezek. 20: 25)
4. God caused them to do the abominable, offering their children as sacrifice to idols (Ezek. 20: 26) - this is the height of refusal to obey God. When God gives up on a life that he or she should do whatever he or she pleases, then you know there is fire on the mountain. Let us read carefully and discuss the following scriptural text in relation to the point under consideration: Romans 1: 18-32. It is terrifying how God can give someone with a reprobate mind up to his or her own will. We know what the outcome would be - destruction.

b. The merciful God (Ezek. 20: 22)

Even as angry as he was, he still kept considering the honour and value upon his name especially among the heathen. God would not want his name to be dragged in the mud. He was concerned about what the unbelieving nations who had seen how terrible their God is and how he has been fighting for them to take them to where he has promised them, would say about him (Deut. 9: 25-28). Hence, he would not do all of those things he said he would do as punishments for their rebellion. God's mercy is still available today. Don't take his mercy for a ride, and don't take it for granted. God loves you, submit to him and his instructions.

For God to tell the children not to take after the manner of life of their parents nor walk in their laws and instructions show clearly that, the parents' behaviours and manner of life are not praiseworthy hence, not worthy of emulation. Parents should watch how they are living their lives that could impact negatively on their children. Let them change to Christlikeness in all things for their children to take after lest same punishment that could fall upon them in their rebellion fall upon their children.

QUESTIONS

1. State three instructions of God to the children of the rebellious parents.
2. In what three ways was God disappointed in the children?
3. What three ways was God planning to deal with their children?
4. What was the reason God's initial decision to punish their children changed?
5. What influence can parents' way of life has on their children?

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LESSON 39

ISRAEL'S CHOICE TO BE LIKE OTHER NATIONS

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 20: 27-32

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *“For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth,” (Deuteronomy 7:6).*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	21/9/2026	Do not envy sinners	Psalms 73: 1-11
Tuesday	22/9/2026	Truth revealed in the sanctuary	Psalms 73:12-17
Wednesday	23/9/2026	The end of the ungodly	Psalms 73:18-28
Thursday	24/9/2026	Be different because you are different	Deut. 7: 1-7
Friday	25/9/2026	Do not Copy other nations	Deut. 12: 28-32
Saturday	26/9/2026	It is abomination	Ezek. 20: 27-28
Sunday	27/9/2026	You are not permitted to be like the gentiles	Ezek. 20: 29-32

INTRODUCTION

God was still speaking to his prophet, Prophet Ezekiel, during the visit of certain elders who had come to hear from him as earlier explained in one of the previous lessons. In today's lesson we would discover that God spoke briefly on their attitude in the Promised Land and then, what their practices were to the present time of Ezekiel. In all, God was displeased as their way of life and practices were nothing different from the surrounding gentile nations, hence he considered their coming to him for enquiry without genuine repentance and a pious life as pretense. Let us note that God is interested in every detail of our lives. He is interested in what we say and how we say it, how we walk, our work and how we do it. He takes records of your doings, therefore, live right and live to please your Creator and Maker.

LESSON

I. REBELLION IN THE PROMISED LAND (Ezek. 20: 27-28).

(a) The command to speak yet again (Ezek. 20: 27a-c)

God kept speaking, addressing the same subject of rebellion and disobedience. Why has not God kept quiet? Why is there emphasis on same issues of Israel's sin? It is because instead of them to repent and turn a new leaf, they got worse. Until there is the desired positive change God will keep sending his words and warning to his children. Prophet Isaiah in one of his prophecies says, "For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, for Jerusalem's sake I will not remain quiet, till her righteousness shines out like the dawn, her salvation like a blazing torch," (Isa.62.1). Ministers of God, as shepherds, must learn not to give up on the sheep in their custody, they must keep preaching, teaching, counseling, rebuking, warning, correcting, till Christ is formed in those God has put in their custody. They may not like it, they may hate them but that should not silence the man of God as one set for that purpose and who also will give account of his stewardship to God (Titus 2: 15; Hebrew 13: 17; 2Pet. 3: 16, 17).

(b) The fathers' rebellion spoken of (Ezek. 20: 27d- 28)

Fathers who were meant to know and uphold the laws of God for the benefit of future generations have failed woefully. They are even the ones found trampling on the laws and made it of no effects. These are what God said they did:

(c) They blasphemed (Ezek. 20: 27e-f) - what is blasphemy? It is an act of expressing disrespect for God. It is also the act of depriving God of his sacred character. Jesus once spoke about blasphemy in the records of the Gospels (Matt. 12: 31). It was the height of disrespect to forsake one's Creator. The fathers forsook the true and living God, who had been great and mighty in their lives, midst, and journeys, and followed fake and dead gods. They denied him. Did you remember Peter's temporary denial of Christ (Luke 22: 54-62). They betrayed him. Think about how betrayal use to feel. Remember the great betrayal in Jesus' life and ministry (Matt. 26: 48-50). They rejected him. They treated his words and instructions with ignominy and nonchalance. This act was disheartening to their loving and caring Creator and Father. Let us all answer these questions inwardly: Fathers, how are you treating God and his words today? Do you take his instructions lightly or with grave reflection? Mothers and youths, how do you react and respond to God's words and instructions? Have you not denied Christ or betrayed him through your words, appearance, company, lifestyle, attitude, etc., today? Amend your ways today before it is too late.

d. They were immersed in idolatry

(Ezek. 20: 28) - they were involved in all kinds of worships and sacrifices to all kinds of gods - the god of harvest, god of fertility, god of rain, etc. They started this when they have been brought into the Promised Land. How early have they forgotten the Lord's warnings (Deut. 8: 10-20; 12:1-14). This is the exact behaviour of some in the body of Christ today. They become another thing when breakthrough come. They got new job, new house, promotion, etc., and then they become backsliders, even some apostates. What is the idol you newly got married to, competing with the place of God in your life? Check and put it in check.

II. DESIRE TO BE LIKE THE

GENTILES (Ezek. 20: 29-32)

a. God sees no need for Israel consulting with him. Repeatedly God spoke about the Israelites' disobedience and his displeasure that made him not being ready to be consulted by them.

Specifically:

a. God questioned the place they

were going for worship (Ezek. 20:29) - the place was called Bamah, meaning high place. It is an idol shrine. We must be careful of going everywhere and anywhere in the name of spiritual programmes. Some places are actually shrine presented in the form of a church or prayer mountains, owing to practices that is against Christlikeness. Such places directly or technically indulge in syncretism. God had earlier warned his children that they cannot just go just anywhere for worship and offering, except where he chooses and names to them (Deut. 12: 5-7). Learn to stay under your godly and Christ-like pastor and go only where he ask you to go and do only what he instructs you to do in accordance to a balanced revealed-truth of the word of God.

(b) Pollution and whoredom in

Israel's congregation (Ezek. 20: 30-31) - The fathers (parents) were again accused of involving in activities that pollute the God-chosen nation and assembly. They:

- offered gifts to idols

- caused their children to go through fire just like the heathens. That is a sacrifice to the national god of the Ammonites called Moloch/Molech/ Milcom/Malcham (Amos 5: 26; Lev. 18: 21; 20: 2-5; 1Kings 11: 5, 33; Zeph. 1: 5). This god is called Chemos among the Moabites (1Kings 11: 7; Num. 21: 29). From Lev. 18: 21; 20: 2-5) we could see clearly that this was part of God's warning to them on this idolatrous and heinous practice.

- indulged in prostitution and whoredom, especially, religion-wise. Religious prostitutes should beware.

(c) Desire to be like the gentiles

(Ezek. 29: 32)

Israel had uncountable encounters with several nations that are considered gentile nations with their ungodly and idolatrous practices. Taken from Egypt where they spent almost five centuries to the very neighbouring nations in their new place of abode, the Canaan land, there were more than enough exposures to the gentiles' way of practices and life, such as those we have seen above, like the Ammonites' and Moabites' practices, among others. Relationship with and desire to be like any of these nations have been condemned and warned against by their God (Deut. 7: 1-6, 25-26; 12: 28-32). But it is a pity that they were longing to become like people and nations they were better and greater than.

Note that it was a desire in their heart, secretly being nurtured and to fully execute with time. God was not in support hence he declared it was a desire that is dead on arrival. God declared it a desire that would not see the light of the day. Why? He is a jealous and loving God who would not allow his people to be sold to woods and stones as gods. What desire are you secretly nursing and nurturing in your heart that is anti-Christ and his kingdom? Are there plans you secretly have that are not in tandem with the will of God for your life? God says he would not sit and watch them materialize because of his love for you. Therefore, submit to him and his will in your life today.

Never you desire to be like the unbelievers, may be because you feel they are doing well while you that claim you have Christ is suffering. Do not envy the ways of the ungodly; do not desire their way of life. Check out the experience of the psalmist and his conclusion in Psalms 73: 1-28. Let Christ and his words be sufficient for you, no better life and opportunity outside him.

QUESTIONS

1. Why should ministers of God not stop warning the church and what two sins the fathers were accused of in today's lesson?
2. Should breakthrough make someone to change in his commitment to God? Explain.
3. What is the name of where the Israelites were going to worship? Tell us the meaning of the name.
4. Mention the name of the gods that is being sacrificed unto when children were made to pass through fire.
5. What was the secret plan in Israelites' heart and God's response in this wise?

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LESSON 40

ISRAEL WILL BE RESTORED

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 20: 33-44

THE MEMORY VERSE:-

"I will accept you with your sweet savour, when I bring you out from the people, and gather you out of the countries wherein ye have been scattered; and I will be sanctified in you before the heathen", (Ezekiel 20:41).

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	28/9/2026	He is a merciful God	Deut. 4: 29-31
Tuesday	29/9/2026	The chosen place	2 Chron. 7:12-16
Wednesday	30/9/2026	Restored Zion	Psalms 126: 1-6
Thursday	1/10/2026	True worshippers	John 4: 21-24
Friday	2/10/2026	True sacrifice	Roman 12: 1-3
Saturday	3/10/2026	Israel will be purged	Ezek. 20: 33-38
Sunday	4/10/2026	All Israel shall serve me	Ezek. 20: 39-44

INTRODUCTION

God's continued love and mercy would not allow him to forever abandon his own. The Psalmist says, "For his anger lasts only a moment, but his favor lasts a lifetime;" (Ps.30.5, NIV). God gets angry even at his beloved children and nation, it is part of his passionate love being expressed. However, his anger do not last forever; it is his love, mercy and favour that do, on this side of eternity. There is the promise of restoration for the rebellious Israel despite God's displeasure and disappointment in them, all for his love and mercy. All the children of God must learn also not to take his love and mercy for granted, since there would also come a time that the final abode of all sinners and wicked souls would be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone (Rev. 14: 10-11; 21: 8).

LESSON

I. GOD PROMISED TO GATHER ISRAEL OUT OF THE NATIONS (Ezek. 20: 33-38)

Israel's rebellion has caused them their freedom. They had been scattered into different nations as slaves, part of such nations was Babylon where they were. There were remnants found in other gentile nations too. Here, God promised to bring them out of the various captivities they have been. He will achieve this in the following manner:

1. God would rule over his people with a strong hand (Ezek. 20: 33).

Since they had been a stiff-necked, arrogant, stubborn and disobedient folks, they deserved a leader with a rod of iron to bring them to order, since they would not, through several pleads and persuasions that had gone ahead. They needed to be treated with a strong hand. They must be made to experience corrective rod of God to get them back on track. Nothing should be surprising in this. As a shepherd who he was in their midst, he exercises his guidance and leadership through the use of both the rod and the staff as the Psalmist has made us to know (Psalms 23: 4).

2. God would bring out his people from nations they have been scattered and will also gather

them (Ez. 20: 34-36) - he will do this to show them he is their God and he is Almighty, he can do and undo. God's hand is not short to deliver, we are the reason he looks handicapped (Isa.50: 2; 59: 1, 2). God also promised to judge them after bringing them out, just as he did to their fathers (Ezek. 20: 35, 36). God's judgment of his people reveals his just nature even as merciful and compassionate as he is. That God is merciful does not give you license to continue in sin, else you may live to regret the consequences of your wayward, disobedient and careless life (Rom. 6: 1-2).

3. God would scrutinize his people

and purge them of rebels (Ezek. 20: 37-38) - God was prepared to bring back his people to their land, the Promised Land. However, not all would be let in. After bringing them out and gathering them from all the nations, before the entering into their land he will conduct an assessment of the people. He will remove the rebellious from among them and deny them an access into the land of Israel. It is a point

of separation, where the goat is separated from the sheep, the weed from the wheat (Matt. 13: 24-43; 25: 31-46). What would be your lot in that day of divine separation? The scriptures speak concerning the caliber of those who would not be allowed into the eternal glory in the last day, no matter their positions, activities or contributions in the church. Let us read the following references together and identify the kind of those that would be disqualified: Gal. 5: 19-21; Eph. 5: 3-7; Rev. 21: 8). There is still the grace of taking the following steps now before it is too late: 2Cor. 6: 17-18. Taking those steps bring you into an everlasting covenant - of peace, joy, and eternal life with God, just as he desired to bring his people into his covenant (Ezek. 20: 37).

II. RESTORATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF GOD'S PEOPLE (Ezek. 20: 39-44)

a. Holy God, holy mountain, holy substances (Ez. 20: 39-42)

Let us remember that one of the things God accused the nation of Israel of is going to worship on mountain Bamah (idol hill, shrine) and there they offered abominable and polluted offerings and sacrifices (Ezek. 20: 29-31). To this still, God was indirectly chastising them by saying if they like they can continue with such place and such sacrifice (Ezek. 20: 39). New Living Translation of the Bible will help us in understanding it better, when it says, "As for you, O people of Israel, this is what the Sovereign LORD says: If you insist, go right ahead and worship your idols, but then don't turn around and bring gifts to me. Such desecration of my holy name must stop!" (Ezek.20.39). Now, for those that would turn to him he revealed his minds and the kind of worship that is acceptable before him:

1. It is a worship where the object of worship is the only true and

holy God (Ezek. 20: 40, 41) - they are not to worship gods or idols, they are to worship the I AM, so he kept revealing himself to them with words like 'LORD GOD', 'I am the LORD' (Ezek. 20: 40, 42, 44). To reaffirm his holy nature to them, that makes him different from other gods, he said, "...and I will show myself holy among you in the sight of the nations." (Ezek.20.41, NIV). Do not go after or worship an unholy God.

2. True worship must be on God's

holy mountain (Ezek. 20: 40) - where do you go to for worship and spiritual programmes? Are they places where God's presence is, in holiness? Holy mountain here speaks of anywhere the people of God gather for worship of the holy God and holiness is a lifestyle both in words and actions. Let students read and react to this passage: John 4: 21-24.

3. God demands holy and choice offerings, gifts and sacrifices

(Ezek. 20: 40) - the afore-stated three categories of giving should be encouraged today but brought from holy sources (genuine and godly sources of income), and done with a genuine heart in holiness.

4. A pleasing life unto the Lord

(Ezek. 20: 41) - God wanted them to be that sweet savoury sacrifice themselves. The life of the worshiper must be acceptable and pleasing to God. It must be a sweet savour indeed, a salt to the world around him/her (Matt. 5: 13). We must always remember to ask ourselves the kind of persons we are as we appear before our Maker (John 4: 21-24). Again, let us check out the greatest offering and sacrifice that could be given to God in Rom. 12: 1-3.

b. The promise of restoration is certain (Ezek. 20: 42-44)

To show that the promise is

sacrosanct, the following are noted:

1. Israel will acknowledge God when he fulfills the promise of bringing them back to the promise land. God is doing all he is doing for us so we can acknowledge him as God and our Lord.
2. Israel will not be proud of his past life of sin and rebellion after restoration. Sin has no profit whatever other than reproach, regrets, loss, and death. Seize from sinning and being rebellious.
3. God's dealing with his people in the promise land will be premised on his holy name and not on their way of life. What a loving and merciful father! You can enjoy same today when you turn to Christ.

Restoration is possible for every backsliders today. The prodigal son enjoyed that grace. He reconciled with the father and was restored to a warm and fruitful relationship with his father (Luke 15: 11-32). It is your turn to enjoy similar grace as you repent from your sins and rebellions today. Christ's arms are open to receive you and beautify your life.

QUESTIONS

1. Recite today's memory verse
2. Why would God use strong hand to lead Israel this time around?
3. Who are those God said he would remove from among his people and would not allow them to enter into Israel? Is that not wickedness on the part of God? Explain.
4. Where is God's holy mountain so we can go there to worship?
5. What are the substances God demanded from the Israelites as they come to worship him? Does God require same from us today or not? Explain.

OCTOBER 11, 2026

LESSON 41

JUDGMENT BY FIRE AND SWORD

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 20: 45-49; 21: 1-7

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"For our God is a consuming fire," (Hebrews 12:29);
"For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart," (Hebrews 4:12).*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	5/10/2026	Sodom and Gomorrah	Gen. 19:12-25
Tuesday	6/10/2026	Fire for fire	Lev. 10:1-7
Wednesday	7/10/2026	Taberah	Numbers 11:1-3
Thursday	8/10/2026	Devoured by Sword	Ex. 32:25-28
Friday	9/10/2026	Sword for sin	Lev. 26:23-25
Saturday	10/10/2026	The fire of judgment	Ezekiel 20:45-49

INTRODUCTION

There is the need to understand that series of messages were given to prophet Ezekiel regarding the nation of Israel as well as several gentile nations. Again, God instructed Ezekiel to declare his intention concerning Judah and Jerusalem still because of their sins. Sin, no matter how small, does not give birth to pleasant experiences but fatality (James 1: 13-15). We have a great assignment to warn the wicked/sinners now because, sometimes their punishment may not be limited to them alone, as we would see in the cause of today's lesson, that even the righteous may not be spared.

LESSON

I. GOD'S PLAN TO PUNISH WITH FIRE (Ez. 20: 45-49)

The prophet was asked by God to face the south and give the prophecy that he would be given by him. It was a prophecy of wrath. Let us beware of the wrath of God as we conduct our lives in the journey of life.

a. Prophecy addressed to the forest of the South field (Ez. 20: 45-46).

The south field was the dry field of Judah and Jerusalem. Judah and Jerusalem lay south from Babylon, where Ezekiel now was, and therefore he is directed to set his face towards the south (Ezekiel 20:46), to intimate to them that God had set his face against them, was displeased with them, and determined to destroy them. God's face could be for or against one. When it is for, it means someone has been favoured of the Lord. While it is against, it is for displeasure and punishment. Our actions attract either God's favour or anger and punishment. Check which one you are attracting, it will help to define your attitude towards him and his instructions.

The great commentator, Matthew Henry, gave us insight into why the use of forest for the Lord's people thus: Judah and Jerusalem are called forests, not only because they had been full of people, as a wood of trees, but because they had been empty of fruit, for fruit-trees grow not in a forest and a forest is put in opposition to a fruitful field, Isaiah 32:15. Those that should have been as the garden of the Lord, and his vineyard, had become like a forest, all overgrown with briars and thorns and those that are so, that bring not forth the fruits of righteousness, God's word prophesies against. Are you still bringing forth fruits for God's kingdom and what type of fruit do you bring forth?

b. Fire that no one can quench (Ezek. 20: 47-49)

This fire is not going to be man-made fire. The fire would not proceed from the camp of their enemies. It is not even going to be a fire from Satan. It is going to be a fire kindled by God himself. Let us remember the time God was to punish David for his trespass. He was given an option whether to suffer seven months famine, three months of running away from his enemies, or three days' pestilence. None of the options was palatable even when he later said he preferred to fall into the hands of God rather than fall into the hands of the enemies. That option alone cost Israel the loss of seventy thousand able-bodied men (2Sam. 24: 10-17). Oh! How terrible it is to fall into the hand of an angry God.

Special note is taken of the kinds of elements/objects to be burned: both green and dry tree, all faces from south to north. It means the fire will spare no one, either great or small, poor or rich, fat or thin, literate or illiterate, white or black, etc. Leaders of the congregations, officers alike, are not going to be spared from being burnt by the fire if they are found guilty. Where will sinners run to on the judgment day as there is no room for escape at such time? No reasons or excuses can exonerate anyone that fails to repent from his or her sin and genuinely accept and follow Christ as his Lord and Saviour from that great lake of fire (Rev. 21: 8).

The fire cannot be put out by any man, since it was not man that made it in the first place. Only the One that kindled the fire could put it out, the very reason no one can escape the fire (Ez. 20: 48). It is shocking that the Israelites claimed they had no understanding of what was being said and they called it parable (Ezek. 20: 49). It looks like mockery. Mocking what comes from God to his

people. This attitude still exists in our congregations today. Some worshippers treat God's word as if a joke. They take God's words with nonchalance, indifference, carelessness, and disrespect. Repent if you are one of those with such dispositions.

II. SWORD TO DEVOUR (Ezek. 21:1-7)

a. Prophecy against the land and the sanctuary (Ezek. 21: 1-2)

Prophet Ezekiel again was asked to prophesy still against the land of Israel and against the sanctuary, the holy places of worship. Pollution of the holy places of worship of the true God and the land in its entirety through abominable practices and rebellion has left God with no option than to be ready to bring destruction upon his holy place and on his people. What pollutions do you bring to God's house and altars as officers and workers in the church? They could incur divine punishments, beware.

b. Sword as means of punishment (Ezek. 21: 3)

While God spoke about using fire as means of punishment and they claimed they did not understand what he meant, he now introduced another instrument of punishment, being sword. While Moses came down from the mount having been with God for forty days and forty nights, and saw the Israelites having messed up their lives in idolatry, he commanded those that fell on the Lord's side to pull out their swords and go into the camps of their fellow brethren and kill. That day alone, three thousand souls were devoured by the sword (Ex. 32: 25-28). Sword is never for play; it is an instrument of judgment. This punishment involving the use of sword is been spoken of by God himself while warning them ahead of time. Let us read Lev. 26: 23-25. Let us avoid God's judgment at all cost.

c. Both the righteous and the wicked are to be punished with sword (Ezek. 21: 3-5)

There is a saying in Yoruba language that goes thus in translation, "If the wicked are punished the righteous would share in the suffering." This looks so true of the situation here. God was saying that by the time he brings his sword upon the land and the sanctuary, it will touch on all including the righteous. This raises a question in the heart of anyone reading or hearing this: why would God, a holy and just God, punish the righteous together with the wicked? We must understand that in ancient Israel, the community was often held accountable for the actions of its members. This collective guilt principle is seen in passages like Joshua 7:1-26, where the entire nation suffered consequences for the sin of one individual, Achan. Hence, we know that God's judgment is directed toward the nation as a whole, rather than individual righteous or wicked persons. The righteous in Israel had failed to act as a restraining influence on the wicked, and the nation had become corrupt. By including the righteous in the judgment, God was holding the entire nation accountable for its collective sin. It's crucial to note that this corporate judgment does not negate individual's responsibility. The Bible teaches that individuals will ultimately face judgment based on their personal actions and faith (Ezekiel 18:1-32, Matthew 25:31-46). The righteous in Israel would still be considered righteous in God's eyes, but they would suffer the consequences of living in a corrupt society. Again, let us note that God's punishment of the righteous with the wicked is not an act of wickedness on His part. Rather, it reflects the biblical concept of corporate responsibility, where the community is held accountable for its collective sin. Watch your attitudes and actions, they could be the reason innocent individuals are suffering.

d. Prophet asked to groan for the imminent punishment (Ez. 21: 6-7)

Prophet Ezekiel, in order that the people might feel the weight of the soon to come punishment, was instructed by God to groan as one in an excruciating pain to convey this message. He is to:

- groan with a broken heart
- groan with a bitter grief

Ministers of God must learn to persuade men to turn to God with all seriousness and a burdened heart. Certain messages must be presented as one under the threat of sword himself and who also care for the people, knowing the severity of God's punishment (2Cor. 5: 11; Jude vs. 22-23).

As living and as merciful as God is, he is also a terrible God (Psalms 47: 2). He can visit with fire and sword sparing none. As we enjoy his mercies, let us run away from sin, disobedience and rebellion of any sort. Let us submit to him and his will without reservation.

QUESTIONS

1. Recite today's lesson's memory verses
2. Name the elements/objects the fire of God's judgment would consume. How can we apply that today?
3. Mention those that would be spare while the fire burns
4. In line with our lesson, who are those God will use the sword on?
5. How should ministers of God present divine messages today?

OCTOBER 18, 2026

LESSON 42

THE FURIOUS GOD WITH SHARPENED AND POLISHED SWORD

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 21: 8-32

THE MEMORY VERSE:- "Son of man, prophesy, and say, Thus saith the LORD; Say, A sword, a sword is sharpened, and also furbished: It is sharpened to make a sore slaughter; it is furbished that it may glitter: should we then make mirth? it contemneth the rod of my son, as every tree." (Ezekiel 21:9-10).

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	12/10/2026	God's anger is terrible	Num. 16: 23-36
Tuesday	13/10/2026	Sin angers God	Num. 25: 1-5
Wednesday	14/10/2026	Instant Judgment	Num. 25: 6-13
Thursday	15/10/2026	Kiss the son	Psalms 2: 10-12
Friday	16/10/2026	No hiding place before God	Ps.139:7-12
Saturday	17/10/2026	Devouring sword	Ezek. 21: 8-17
Sunday	18/10/2026	Judged for Mockery	Ezek. 21: 18-32

INTRODUCTION

The more an individual or a nation continues in sin, the more God's judgment keeps visiting. God must have decided, as seen in previous studies, not to hold his peace until he has brought justice to the land of Israel and among his people. It is evident that God would not keep mute when his children are going astray, he would spank and chastise by means of various and diverse instruments. He has chosen to

continue punishing with sword, we have seen this begun from the previous lesson. While the sword in the previous lesson was to be introduced, it was said to be in the sheath and that God would bring it out of the sheath to execute his judgment. However, in introducing the sword of judgment in today's lesson, it was not a sword kept in the sheath to be brought out, but a sword ready for a horrific assignment - it is like saying, it is battle ready, a judgment-ready sword. This is telling us that God's patience was getting exhausted and putting up with their stubbornness and rebellion is an embarrassment to him. Do not think God will keep tolerating your disobedience forever. Repent now.

LESSON

I. AN INESCAPABLE SWORD (Ezek.

21: 8-17)

a. A sharpened and polished sword

(Ezek. 21: 8-11)

The prophet again was ordered to proclaim the revelation of a sword. To show its seriousness and terrific nature, it was mentioned twice, "sword", "sword". That was not child's play. Do not play with divine warning, it could be fatal.

The sword's description calls for attention. It was a sword sharpened and polished. A Bible version puts it thus, "razor-sharp and polished." It is terrifying and dangerous to toil around such instrument of judgment. Do you play irreverently and recklessly with the word of God, which is sharper than any two edged sword, as if playing with a toy (Heb. 4: 12)? It is dangerous so to do, beware.

The sword is an assignment to kill, hence it is sharpened. Its glittering is to call attention and create necessary fear that communicates the seriousness of the impending judgment.

The sword in this case is not against the unbelievers in Yahweh, it is not against the idolatrous nations of the world, the gentile world. The sword is against the beloved and covenanted people of God, the Israelites. That you are his beloved child does not spare you from his chastisement when you transgressed. He chastises the ones he loves (Heb. 12: 5-11). It is still better at the level of chastisement and chastisement precedes actual judgment. It is to put a check on excesses and untowardness before judgment becomes inevitable. Here, it is the sword of judgment that is sharpened and polished for the executioner. Idolatry, religious prostitution, syncretism, arrogance, and rebellion are reasons the sword is sharpened and polished for execution. What will bring God's wrath and judgment upon you and your family today? You cannot be ignorant of them, hence, check and change.

b. Prophet told things to do in

delivering his message (Ezek.

21: 12-14)

Prophet Ezekiel was told among other things, in order to get the attention of the people he was sent to:

1. Cry and Wail (Ezek. 21: 12a) - he is to cry because the judgment is going to be terrible. Also, while crying and wailing, they could turn to him and take him more seriously. His crying could get and call their attention to the message and the Sender of the message. If it calls for weeping, ministers of God have to travel that path to bring God's word and mind to the people, for their repentance and regeneration. How many of the ministers of God take the ministry of the word of God seriously today to the point of weeping for unrepentant and rebellious souls in the congregation not to talk about those outside the fold? Prophet Jeremiah is popularly known as the weeping prophet. He never handled the ministry of the word with nonchalance or wanting to get people's praise and applause, he was bent on sharing God's mind in tears for the desired fruits. Here God speaks to prophet Joel thus, "Let the priests, the ministers of the LORD, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O LORD, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?(Joel 2:17).

2. Smite his thigh or beat his chest

(Ezek. 21: 12)

What a horror the experience of being thrust by a sharpened and polished sword by the Lord would be! To express this, the prophet was also asked to deliver the message pounding his thigh or breast as the case may be. This would draw their attention and communicate the gravity and intensity of the message effectively. This is how much God's vessels have to suffer untold hardship and treatment because of the sins of God's people. Jeremiah was asked to put on his yoke in communicating God's mind to the people (Jer. 27: 1-22). Isaiah was asked to walk bare footed and naked for three years communicating God's displeasure and imminent punish on gentile nations (Isa. 20: 1-6). Ministers of God must have their hearts prepared to go extra miles, biblically, to ensure God's mind is made known to God's people.

**3. Clap his hands vigorously,
depicting smiting of his hands
(Ezek. 21: 14)**

Clapping of hands by the prophet here is not to celebrate the rebellious Israelites nor praise God. It is to call their attention to the message at hand. God uses any means and all means to get the attention of his people for his instructions to be effectively passed across. For Moses, it was the burning bush, wherein after seeing it he felt drawn to it to watch as a match or see as a movie (Ex. 3: 1-6). Why stopping your ears and intentionally shutting your eyes to the beckoning of the spirit of God through diverse means for your instruction? Give attention to his signs and then to his instructions today beloved.

**c. No one can escape this sword
(Ezek. 21:13-17)**

There is no escape route from the sharpened and polished sword. Anywhere the Israelites would turn or run to, the sword would visit violently. It is a sword that is said to be restless, only going about to devour without restraint. It is a sword stationed at every entry and exit point of the city. It is capable of maneuvering and rotating to both left and right. How does a man escape from such a sword? How easy is it to run from the face of the Lord? The Psalmist made a striking allusion to this when he says, *"Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast. If I say, 'Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me,' even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you."* (Ps.139.7-12, NIV). A composer sings, "O sinner man, where will you run to on the judgment day?" There is but only one escape route and that is JESUS CHRIST. Giving your life to him genuinely, walking with Him faithfully, and doing His will conscientiously is a must.

**II. JERUSALEM AND RABBAH TO BE
VISITED WITH SWORD (Ez. 21:
18-32)**

**a. The prophet instructed on steps to
take (Ezek. 21: 18-20)**

Prophet Ezekiel was instructed again to reveal the next stage of judgment to his audience. He is to do the following:

1. Map out two routes leading to Jerusalem and Rabbah where Babylon sword would go through to execute divine judgment
2. Erect signposts to serve as direction to the two destinations, they should be placed at the beginning of each of the two routes

**b. Jerusalem first to share in the
punishment (Ezek. 21: 21-27)**

At the arrival of the king of Babylon at the forked road he would use divination (some consider it as casting of lots, while some think that which involves the use of images or teraphim) to determine where to turn, whether Judah in Jerusalem or Rabbah (capital city of the Ammonites). Finally, he would be led to

Jerusalem and moved down violently, battle ready. Nebuchadnezzar's divination was never the answer but divine providence because of how God wanted it to go (Prov. 16: 33). With his army, the king would pull down the city gates and erect bulwark and put up siege against the city. With the already established treaty with the Babylonians, the whole scenario will look a dream and unbelievable while the king would make them to understand that this is happening to them because of their rebellion. Sin and rebellion would be the reason they would become captives to the Babylonians, not because the Babylonians were more powerful or God cannot protect them. Have you taken time to think about what would sin and rebellion bring upon you and your family? The prophecy landed on King Zedekiah here, when the prophet addressed him as the prince of Israel. He is here considered as profane, corrupt and evil prince. He will be deposed, demoted and humiliated, then the kingdom destroyed and then the kingdom and its rulership would be finally handed over to the rightful and qualified person, a prophecy that would be fulfilled in Jesus Christ as the seed of David in whom the prophecy was to have full expression (Luke 1: 32; 1Cor. 15: 25).

**c. Ammonites would not be spared
either from the sword (Ezek.
21: 28-32)**

The prediction of the destruction of the Ammonites, was effected by Nebuchadnezzar about five years after the destruction of Jerusalem. While there had been propaganda of a false sword in Ammon before this time by their magicians and false prophets, the real sword would finally visit to devour, because it is now time for her punishment.

Ammon is to be punished for her mockery and reproach amongst other rebellious acts. While their punishment was yet to be meted out on them and seeing Israel went through devastation and destruction, they could easily mock and reproach them, probably asking where their God and his wonderful promises to them was. But now, it is the turn of Ammon and her punishment would take place right in her own land, her place of birth. This is to humiliate her beyond her imaginations. God would release the fire of his anger upon the Ammonites and also cause brutal and skilled men in destruction to execute the proposed destruction. Two dangerous things: God fighting a man and also bringing men without mercy to deal with him. Double tragedy! God is no respecter of persons, desist from sin, rebellion and making mockery of divine things to avert the experience of double tragedy. Ammon would be fuel for fire and her memory lost to history. The lake of fire is real and certain for all the rebellious, don't be part of the fuel there (Psalms 9: 17; Rev. 21: 8).

Be warned, you might have been getting away with your disobedience and sins long time ago, it is because he chose to be patient with you, but never you take his patience for slackness, he is never (2Pet. 3: 9). Come out from your rebellion today and avert his imminent and pending judgment over you as you surrender your will to him.

QUESTIONS

1. Describe the nature of the sword of judgment in today's lesson
2. Mention three things Prophet Ezekiel was asked to do while delivering his message that would help secure the peoples' attention according to the lesson.
3. State two things prophet Ezekiel was instructed to do to serve as direction to the Babylonian king.
4. Who was the corrupt and evil prince in the lesson?
5. Why would the Ammonites also be

punished with the sword? of an elder.
OCTOBER 25, 2026

LESSON 43

JERUSALEM'S SINS RECOUNTED AND JUDGMENT SPELT OUT

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 22: 1-16

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them shall have mercy." (Proverbs 28:13; 1:9-10).*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	19/10/2026	Observe God's law	Ex. 20: 1-7
Tuesday	20/10/2026	Obedience is required	Ex. 20: 8-17
Wednesday	21/10/2026	Care instead of oppression	Isaiah 58: 6-7
Thursday	22/10/2026	Delight in the Lord's day	Isaiah 58: 13-14
Friday	23/10/2026	The crying blood	Gen. 4: 8-12
Saturday	24/10/2026	Jerusalem's sins exposed	Ezek. 22: 1-12
Sunday	25/10/2026	Jerusalem will be judged	Ezek. 22: 13-16

INTRODUCTION

God is not done talking with his prophet concerning his beloved people and nation, who were living in sin. Prophet Ezekiel here was given a message to Judah and Jerusalem. The message highlighted their numerous and various sins and corresponding judgment soon to follow. Do not say God is less concerned about how you live your life. He is interested in every detail of your living and doing, the reason everyone must watch how he or she is living his or her life. Judgment is inevitable at the close of the day, after all said and done. So, let us beware.

LESSON

I. THE BLOODY CITY (Ezek. 22: 1-4)

Jerusalem, the city of God, highly revered and held in high esteem because, God chose it out of many beautiful places to pitch his tabernacle and also chose to make her his dwelling place, with beautiful names such as Zion, mount Zion, city of God, God's resting place, etc., (Psalms 48: 1-2, 8; 76: 2; 87: 1-3; 2Chron. 6: 41), now got for herself an infamous and inglorious name, worst still, a name associated with bloodletting. It is noteworthy that, "Jerusalem is so called, not only because she had been guilty of the particular sin of blood-shed, but because her crimes in general were bloody crimes (Ezekiel 7:23), such as polluted her in her blood, and for which she deserved to have blood given her to drink." (Matthew Henry). It is clear Jerusalem got her name through her malevolent and heinous acts. What is your name? What name do people call you? In our immediate environment for instance, you could come across certain persons gladly and jokingly calling themselves all sort of obnoxious names, the likes of, "Oosa" (idol), "Ori Oka" (Python head), "Iku gangan" (Death himself), "Ijaya" (Terror), "Eyin Ejo" (Snake teeth), "Gbomogbomo" (Kidnapper), "Iboji" (Grave), "Japata" (One skilled at sleeping with female gender anyhow/Rapist), "Eegun" (Masquerade), "gun" (Thorns), "Posi" (Casket), "Baba Trophy/Stout" (Drunkard) "Bobo Pelebe" (Drunkard), etc. Those involved in this act even take pride both in calling and answering such names. What life do you live that make people give you such names? Are they names that glorify God or those which make the heavens to mourn and weep over you? This is a day God's word is finding you out for repentance and a positive change. Kindly do and make heaven rejoice over you.

II. HIGHLIGHTS OF JERUSALEM'S

SINS AND REBELLION

God, through the prophet pointed out amongst others, the following sins of Judah;

1. **Blood shedding** - Ezek. 22: 2, 4, 5, 9 - Have they forgotten so soon the divine command, "Thou shalt not kill," (Deu. 20: 13)? They became murderers shedding innocent blood. God would require from you all blood shed as he did with Cain when he told him that his brother's blood was crying unto him (Gen. 4: 8-12). The innocent blood shed by Manasseh was not forgotten but fully rewarded (2Kings 24: 1-4). Beware!
2. **Abominations / Detestable practices** - Ezek. 22: 2. They indulged in practices and acts that are ungodly and obnoxious. Do not be found with anything abominable, do not be part of it.
3. **Idolatry** - Ezek. 22: 3, 4, 9. Check the idols in your heart and those in your hands. Whatever is more important to you than following God and his instructions constitute idols. Read Ex. 20: 1-5.
4. **Misuse and abuse of power and authority** - Ezek. 22: 6. Those in the positions of authority, the likes of religious leaders, political office holders, traditional rulers, bosses at places of work, leaders in units and departments, parents, seniors and elders in various settings and sectors, etc., need beware lest they are found guilty of misuse and abuse of power.
5. **Disobedience and Disrespect for parents** - Ezek. 22: 7. This is also one of the manifestations of the end time experiences probably more than what have been from the days of old. Children must watch and be guided. Read Ex. 20: 12; Lev. 20: 9; Matt. 15: 1-9.
6. **Oppression and maltreatment** - Ezek. 22: 7. How have you been treating strangers, orphans, widows, etc.? God does not joke with this aspect of his instructions just like others. Read Isaiah 58: 6-7.
7. **Profanity/ Sacrilege - desecration of holy things** - Ezek. 22: 8. Do not mess up the Lord's days but honour them. Honour also God's words and divine instructions. Do not repeat the sins of the Israelites.
8. **False accusations / lies** - Ezek. 22: 9. They falsely accused persons before the princes to gain favour and have the lives of the people wasted. How many times have you falsely accused someone because of reasons that are best known to you? It is evil and a punishable offense. You need a change of life in Christ.
9. **Sexual immorality: Prostitution, adultery, fornication, incest, sexual perversions, rape** - Ezek. 22: 9-11. Read Ex. 20: 14; Lev. 20: 10-23; 1Cor. 5: 1-13. Sexual activities outside the marriage and when it is not between the married partners, in whatever sense, is sin, should be avoided and flee from. The lady or woman, the man or guy, you secretly visit or who secretly visit you, who is he or she? That person of the opposite sex you are cohabiting with is he or she your legally married spouse? If your answers are not positive, then, you are doomed, unless you repent. Note: Sexual relation during menstruation between married partners, in the new covenant, is never a sin. It should be a matter of choice and mutual consent between legally married partners only. Medically, some females bleed days are their most fertile days and as such, it is advised, mating could take place during the flow period, for especially those who have been waiting on the Lord for the fruit of the womb.
10. **Corruption: Bribery, usury, greed, unjust gain, extortion** - Ezek. 22: 12
11. **Forgetting and forsaking God and his laws** - Ezek. 22: 12. Read Deut. 4; 23; 6: 12; 8: 11-20.
12. **Uncleanness** - Ezek. 22: 13

Which of the aforementioned is your own? None of the above is too small or big a sin to separate one from God and set one up for his punishment and judgment. Repent today!

III. JUDGMENT FOR JERUSALEM'S SINS AND REBELLION

Since God was never pleased with the above sinful and rebellious acts, he spelt out the judgment that would be meted out to his people as a disciplined and just God. The following judgments are identified below:

1. **Doom** - Ezek. 22; 3. Rebellion and apostasy results in destruction, even of his beloved children. Live in sin and disobedience at your own risk. Isa. 1: 19-20.
2. **Reproach and Mockery** - They will be made object of scorn and a laughingstock - Ezek. 22: 4-5.
3. **Scattering and dispersion** - Ezek. 22: 15. God promised to scatter them abroad. They will be taken captives to foreign and godless nations against their wish and belief.
4. **Defilement** - Ezek. 22: 16. Read Jere. 13: ,27. Since they have refused to be purged and made whole, they would be given to further defilement by the heathen.
5. **Disowned and cast off by God** - Ezek. 22: 16. A loving father had no choice now than to disown his own. He has decided to cast them out and make them outcasts. At the end of the age, those that refused to accept Christ as their Lord and Saviour as well as those that lived their lives in sin and disobedience would have them cast out of God's presence and life eternal into eternal damnation. Do not let that be you. Come to Christ today and live in holiness and obedience to his words. Let's sing hymn 166.

Sins are not acts or things anyone is ignorant of. In this age, no one can claim innocence or ignorance in the matters of sin. God has been magnanimous to us again in the course of the lesson to remind us of some of these sins so we can be freed from eternal doom. All we need do is to repent from all sins and keep resisting sins even to our blood in our daily walk with Christ (Heb. 12: 4).

QUESTIONS

1. What was the name Jerusalem was called by God?
2. Mention other terrible names, apart from the ones in the lesson, people call and take pride in today that children of God must not be identified with.
3. Mention any five sins for which God was ready to punish Israel in our lesson today.
4. What should be our attitude towards strangers, orphans and widows?
5. State any two punishments God would be bringing upon Jerusalem for her sins.

NOVEMBER 1, 2026

LESSON 44

NONE FOUND WORTHY TO STAND IN THE GAP ON BEHALF OF ISRAEL

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 22: 17-31

THE MEMORY VERSE:- "I looked for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand before me in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it, but I found none." (Ezek.22.30, NIV).

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	26/10/2026	God's foundation stands sure	2 Tim. 2: 15-19
Tuesday	27/10/2026	Found righteous in his generation	Gen. 6:1-13, 17-18
Wednesday	28/10/2026	Found and called from idolatry	Gen. 12: 1-7
Thursday	29/10/2026	Found and separated from mother's womb	Jer. 1: 4-10
Friday	30/10/2026	Furnace of judgment	Ezek. 22: 17-22
Saturday	31/10/2026	Leadership failure	Ezek. 22: 23-29
Sunday	1/11/2026	Where are the righteous one?	Ezek. 22: 30-31

INTRODUCTION

The search for a man or men of noble way of life and character to champion or birth positive changes and developments has always been of a great necessity in every generation. This is because when God wants something done he would always do it through men and in a very rare occasions through angels. These men found by God for his work or the fulfilling of his heart desires have always been men of nobility, exceptional and of virtuous reports. Every past generation had its noble subjects. Abraham was found and called out by God when he was to found a nation he would chose for himself among the nations of the world (Gen. 12: 1-7). Earlier, God needed to handpick Noah, whom the Bible recorded that he was found righteous in his entire generation, to begin another dispensation (Gen. 6: 17-18; 7: 1). Moses was chosen to lead the Israelites from the Egyptian bondage (Ex. 3: 7-10), while Joshua was saddled with the responsibilities of dividing the promise land to them (Josh. 1: 1-9). Others in the list include Jeremiah (Jer. 1: 4-10), Jonah (Jonah 1: 1-2), Esther (Esther 2: 17; 4: 12-17), Mary (Luke 1: 26-33), Stephen and his colleagues (Acts 6: 1-6), etc. These individuals were found worthy to be chosen and sent or used, one way or the other by God.

The rebellious and reckless life of the children of Israel and their leaders in the passage under consideration left God no option than to decide to punish them, taking them through the furnace in the manner precious elements/substances are made to pass through fire as part of procedures and processes of purification. This approach is a punishment measure God is planning to implement as he declared his judgment on Jerusalem and its inhabitants. In the midst of all these, God was in search of at least someone with the right standing who would stand to plead on their behalf and champion restoration to the pathway of obedience and righteousness but alas, he found none. Will God find you righteous when he visits, will he find you prepared to be used as his holy vessel, and will he find you ready to meet with him at his coming?

LESSON

I. ISRAEL TO BE PUNISHED IN THE FURNACE (Ezek. 22: 17-22)

God again is displeased with Israel's way of life and rebellion, hence, he sent his words to his prophet, prophet Ezekiel, on the kind of judgment he will be bringing upon them. We have repeatedly seen that sin, disobedience and all forms of rebellion attract punishment, no matter how small or harmless they may appear. Let all those who are named of the Lord depart from iniquities (2Tim. 2: 19).

God presented Israel as a dross. That was their true state. They were full of iniquities that their lives were filled with impurities. It is these impurities in their lives that made them dross. What is dross? We will answer this question by looking at what the dictionary says about dross, thus:

- § Waste or impure matter.
- § Residue that forms as a scum on the surface of molten metal from oxidation.
- § The impurities in metal.
- § A waste product from working with

metal.

§ (figurative) Worthless or trivial matter.

Without more ado, we can understand better what God was saying about the Israelites at this juncture. God sees them as waste, impure, worthless and trivial products or vessels. What a shame to the nation chosen by God himself! Look deep into your life. What is your exact and true picture? Who really are you? Forget about the persona you project. You know of a sure, it is a facade. Are you not a waste in God's kingdom? Are you not a filthy vessel trying to cover up with church activities? Are you not a disgrace to Christ and his church by those things you do in the secret and in the dark, where no man is? If Christ will call you by a name what will that be? Hope it will not be dross. Do not forget we have someone that was named Ichabod in the scripture to speak to Israel that her glory has long gone. When glory leaves what remains? Shame of course. So, it is actually saying the name of Israel now is SHAME (1Sam. 4: 19-22). Repent and change your ways to erase DROSS and SHAME as names from your life.

The fiery wrath of God is to be blown on Israel as punishment for his sins just as fire burns off dross from the precious metals mentioned in the passage, the fire would burn them not for improvement as the case with the metals but for destruction. Of course, when the rebellious are burned off, the remnant will be pure and holy vessels unto the Lord just like the pure gold and silver that result after going through the furnace. Let us read the following passages: Prov. 25: 4; Isa. 1: 25-27. Just a reminder: There is an ever-burning and non-quenchable furnace of everlasting torment for all who would choose not to repent of their unbelief, evil deeds, disobedience, rebellion and all open and secret sins (Rev. 21: 8) - do not dare it - do not be careless with this opportunity to repent and accept Christ genuinely today, tomorrow may be too late.

II. FAILURE OF THE LEADERS (Ezek. 22: 23-29)

God spoke painfully about the abnormalities in the society of Israel. It is so appalling as the evil emanates primarily from the leaders. The three categories of the leadership in the land, as well as the populace, were caught in the web of the atrocities and share wickedness that prevailed in the land. The prince, the politicians, and the priests, all have their hands soiled with the ignoble and nefarious acts.

The prince are the local or traditional leaders of the communities of God's people. They were likened to a roaring lion. They were involved in devouring the people of the land, they looted people of their goods, they extorted at will. They must have been killers either directly or by these their nefarious acts, making many become widows. What acts do you indulge in as a leader of a small group, either in the family, church or the community? Look carefully into your life and repent.

The priests are all the leaders in the spiritual sphere of the society, the likes of the prophets, pastors, etc. They were disappointment to God as one saddled with most sacred tasks to have failed woefully. They made void the laws of God. They treated God's words and commands as mere words. Their teachings contradicted God's laws. They profaned the Sabbaths. They brought great dishonour to God and his name. Pastors over God's household, how do you live your life and handle God's work and his things today? Are you not dishonoring God with the way you are leading God's people? Fake prophecies everywhere because of cheap fame and popularity or money. What have you said he said that he did not say? You have been doing that many times so people can fear and regard you as a prophet who sees visions and hears from God. Who are you trying to impress? Who are you deceiving? What will be your gain for all these your lies and fake spirituality? You have made merchandise the gift of prophecy for your personal gain. You are not too big to be punished by God, repent and change your ways.

The politicians, the political leaders were not left out. They were compared to wolves. They killed, shed innocent blood. They did anything for money. Nigeria and her political elites can relate better. The reason some people have come to christen politics a dirty game. It is not dirty but those that are involved

in it made it look dirty through their filthy acts and lifestyles. Should we continue this way? No. We need genuine repentance today.

The populace were also not exempted. Everybody seems to be involved in one ignoble act or the other: extortion, robbery, oppression of the poor/need, maltreatment of strangers, injustice, etc. Check your immediate family, church, school, office, market, hospital, community, etc., are all these acts not prevalent even among members and colleagues, not to talk about superiors? We all need true and genuine repentance today.

III. THE WANT OF A RIGHTEOUS PERSON AND THE VERDICT (Ezek. 22: 30-31)

The magnanimity of God is unprecedented. Despite all these wickedness being perpetrated, God was still looking for a way to forgive and treat his people with mercy. This is the reason he was searching for one righteous person to stand to cry to him for mercy on behalf of the land and also serve as reformer of that time and generation, to right every wrong, but what a pity, he found none. Remember the case of Sodom and Gomorrah, how many righteous persons was he looking for and how many did he eventually get? Were the cities spared or not (Gen. 18: 20-33; 19: 24-25)? Do you think God will find a righteous fellow, a saint, one after God's heart in your family, church, school, office, or at that place you found yourself? Will you be that righteous fellow and reformer and transformer?

The verdict is divine judgment. God was ready to rain fire on Israel to consume her. God wanted to pay Israel back in her own coin. Repent today to avert being paid back in your own coin.

Till date, God is still in search of men who would be found righteous, faithful and fruitful for his service, to turn the world upside down for his glory. It takes separated, disciplined and dedicated men, living in consonant with his will, to be found worthy and useable. Ensure you are that individual who will be found qualified.

QUESTIONS

1. What is dross and who were likened to dross and why?
2. What are those things that could constitute dross in our lives today?
3. What was the punishment for being a dross?
4. What categories of people were indicted for ignoble acts and what were the ignoble acts respectively?
5. Why was God looking for a man among his people?

NOVEMBER 8, 2026

LESSON 45

AHOLAH AND AHOLIBAH'S IGNOBLE SEXUAL ESCAPADES AND THEIR PUNISHMENTS

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 23: 1-10

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater, hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God." (Eph. 5: 5)*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	2/11/2026	War against works of the flesh	Gal. 5: 19-21
Tuesday	3/11/2026	Should not be named among you	Eph. 5: 1-5
Wednesday	4/11/2026	Flee fornication	1 Cor. 6: 12-20
Thursday	5/11/2026	Friendship with the world forbidden	James 4: 4-8
Friday	6/11/2026	Love not the world	1 John 2: 15-17
Saturday	7/11/2026	Do not despised being chosen	Psalms 78:67-69
Sunday	8/11/2026	Beware of spiritual prostitution	Ezekiel 23: 1-10

INTRODUCTION

God has never remained silent in communicating his mind to his servants. As many that are sensitive to the leading of the spirit and turns their spiritual antenna without break to God's voice will also have a message from him. We must not be dull in hearing we must be active at receiving divine signals and instructions. Prophet Ezekiel enjoys this consistently, hence God kept speaking to him. Be always in tune with the spirit of God. God speaks always but few are they that hear.

The message here is on God's displeasure of the wayward life and lifestyle lived by his chosen nation Israel. Her romance with the uncircumcised nations and their idolatrous practices were detailed and condemned with attendant punishments. God is a jealous God who sees anyone having any other gods together with him as an adulterer and whoremonger and as such qualifies for divine punishments. Do not be an adulterer or a fornicator, whether in matters of your body or in things that pertain to spirituality. Flee fornication; flee adultery (1Cor. 6: 12-20).

LESSON

I. PROSTITUTES IN EGYPT (Ezek. 23: 1-3)

God came to his prophet in proverbial form. Same way Jesus often spoke in parables to his audience to convey great messages with deeper truths. For instance, the parable of the sower (Luke 8: 4-18). At this juncture, let students mention at least seven of such parables by Christ while the teacher check through their responses. The message spoke about two women who came from same mother but given to harlotry. They sold themselves out to men in exchange of goodies which even were not really there. It was in Egypt this wickedness was perpetrated in deviance to the law and commandment of their First lover. These two women allowed their breasts to be pressed, caressed and fondled by strangers.

It is a pity today that the same act is prevalent among some of youths in the church and even some married folks. Sexual gratification of any type and kind is only meant for and with strong restriction to married partners only. Beware of romance with anybody you are not legally married to, it is forbidden. Do not say we only kissed and then he pressed my breast without me removing my cloth, he did not put his manhood in my private part so I am still a virgin. No. Immediately you give any part of your body to sexual exploitation you are into sexual immorality already and heading to being disqualified as the kind of virgin, both physically and spiritually, Jesus is looking for. Do not be tempted to lust after another person, do not allow any other person of opposite sex see your nakedness or exploit any part of your body apart from your wedded spouse. Stop the fornication or adultery you are into if already entangled by the immoral spirit and act, Jesus still loves you.

The act of prostitution by these two sisters took place in Egypt. Egypt, the land of the uncircumcised. Egypt, the foreign land. Egypt, the strange land. Egypt, the world and its system. The two sisters were not supposed to be found in Egypt in the first place not to talk of going into whatever relationship there and with her people. Why are you into friendship with the world and her system? Check out what the Bible says here: James 4: 4; 1 John 2: 15-17. Why do you as a Christian still join your friends to sit round tables

where they went to drink and you keep saying I do not drink with them, we are just out for fun together? Check yourselves and be reconciled to your Maker.

II. REVEALING THE IDENTITY OF THE TWO WOMEN (Ezek. 23: 4)

i. **Aholah** - The older woman was named Aholah or Oholah as rendered in some translations. Literally, Aholah means, "She has her own tent." The name was used to denote the idolatry of the kingdom of Israel. This kingdom is described as a lewd woman, an adulteress, given up to the abominations and idolatries of the Egyptians and Assyrians. This was the reason she was carried away captive, and ceased to be a kingdom (Ps. 78:67-69; 1 Kings 12:25-33; 2 Chr. 11:13-16). What is your name? Your real name portrays your entire life. Your name reveals who you are.

ii. **Aholibah** - The younger woman is Aholibah or Oholibah. Aholibah also translates, "My tent is in her." The name was applied symbolically to Jerusalem, because she had abandoned the worship of the true God and given herself up to the idolatries of foreign nations. The one God beloved and dwelt within decided to abandon and desert him for another. What is making you to nurse the thought of forsaking the Lord? Are they the pleasures of this world that are for but a moment? Think about this and do not be like Demas (2 Tim. 4: 10).

What we have considered above is the picture of the divided kingdom of Israel and the way they went into idolatry, the northern kingdom (Israel) first, represented by Samaria, and then the southern kingdom (Judah), represented by Jerusalem. Simply put, Aholah is Israel (Samaria = Northern kingdom) and Aholibah is Judah (Jerusalem = Southern kingdom).

III. AHOLAH IN PROSTITUTION AND HER PUNISHMENT (Ez. 23: 5-10)

The nation of Assyria was an idolatrous nation with practices against that of Yahweh, the God Israel pledged an allegiance to. When Israel became complacent and compromised, they went into similar practices like this nation and that of Egypt, the nation they had spent their youth. It was a worst development as God kept sending his prophets to them warning them morning and night but they would not listen. Then, he moved this same nation against them who took them captives against their wish. All these were what have been described as prostitution, giving of self to men, lust of all manner, men sleeping with her, her breast being caressed, etc. Her punishment: Being stripped naked, her children will be taken away, she would be killed, etc.

Apostasy, backsliding, being lukewarm towards the things of the spirit, etc., constitute spiritual prostitution and attracts divine judgment. We have to beware and do the needful as the Lord is bringing his words to us again this morning.

When you came to Christ and you claimed you have surrendered to his Lordship, do you know you have pledged an allegiance to be his wife? It is a marriage relationship that calls for faithfulness in you walk with him. Why give in to prostitution? Why have other gods beside him? Why have you made things of the world to be more important than being with him? Wake up and turn back to Christ and his will to avert eternal punishments.

QUESTIONS

1. What do you understand by the statement, "God is a jealous God," in relation to our today's lesson?
2. React to this: "We are free to use our body anyway we please since we own it".
3. What sin is idolatry likened to in

- the lesson?
4. What are the names and meaning of the two women in our lesson? What are the implications of their names?
 5. Mention two nations prostitution was indulge in with.

NOVEMBER 15, 2026

LESSON 46

THE APOSTASY OF JUDAH AND JERUSALEM AND ITS CONSEQUENCES

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 23: 11-35

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God." (Psalms 9:17)*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	9/11/2026	Live no more in the flesh	1 Peter 4: 1-6
Tuesday	10/11/2026	Put to death the flesh and its deeds	Col. 3: 1-6
Wednesday	11/11/2026	Watch your ways	2 Kings 21: 1-8
Thursday	12/11/2026	Do not cause God to abandon you	2 Kings 21: 1-8
Friday	13/11/2026	Beware of being forsaken by God	1 Sam. 15:22-26
Saturday	14/11/2026	Spiritual promiscuity	Ezekiel 23: 11-22
Sunday	15/11/2026	Punishment for spiritual promiscuity	Ezekiel 23: 23 - 35

INTRODUCTION

God does not take lightly the act of backsliding and apostasy. He is a jealous God that guards his name and glory jealously. Instead of Judah to have learnt her lessons from her sister Israel, she became even more promiscuous than her. She plunged herself deeply into idolatry in sharp deviance to the law and commandment of his Maker. The adulterous acts made God sad and sick of his relationship with her and decided to punish her just like her sister Aholah. Why do we still see people steal even when a thief has just been burnt to death in their presence, for instance? Do not live in rebellion carrying a reprobate mind. Judgment is real and will come upon all sinners, hence, repent today.

LESSON

I. AHOLIBAH TAKING AFTER

AHOLAH (Ez. 23: 11-22)

Taking the foot step of someone already in the pit is not a wise way to go. This is the case with the foolish and rebellious steps taken by Aholibah. Aholibah depicting the adulterous southern kingdom of Israel, simply referred to as Judah with capital city in Jerusalem, has refused to learn lessons from the fall and destruction of the northern kingdom, simply referred to as Israel with capital city in Samaria. Her reprobate minds and foolish assumptions that the gentile nations cannot overpower Yahweh and Yahweh could not afford to sell out his beloved people to the uncircumcised nations despite their wickedness, disobedience, idolatry and other forms of rebellion, made them to be indifferent to several divine warnings coming from prophets God raised to instruct and guide them.

Judah became worse in her sins even more than Israel (Ezek. 16: 51). A typical example was during the reign of King Manasseh (2Kings 21: 1-16). Some have said they will commit sin to the extent that when they stand before God to be judged he will be so angry that when he wants to throw them into the

lake of fire he would throw them beyond the fire and that is how they will escape his punishment. How possible is that? That is one of the displays of a reprobate mind. It is a joke of the century.

Her sins and offences:

1. She went into affinity with the Assyrians
2. She considered them more gorgeous and well favoured especially her men of timber and caliber, than her kindred
3. She indulged in their idol worship
4. She made passes to them for carnal pleasures
5. She adored the ungodly nation
6. She went into whoredom with the Chaldeans, joined in alliance with Babylonian captains and had the pattern of their images, idols, altars and temples imported into their territory and incorporate them into their worship.
7. She also played the harlotry with the Egyptians.

The result of her waywardness primarily was that God was not interested in her again and as such removed his mind from being affectionate unto her. When God decides to distant himself from a life, home or business, we all know the outcome would not be pleasant. Do not do anything that would make God decide to desert you.

The same way some individuals indulge in all manner of sins, moving from one husband/wife to another, flirting and playing around, moving from one church to another recklessly, moving from one man to another for help, seeking help from sources that cannot deliver in righteousness. God is never pleased with a reckless and rebellious living. He is a jealous God.

II. AHOLIBAH'S PUNISHMENT SPELT OUT (Ezek. 23: 22-35)

God was determined to punish Judah. Hence he declared his intentions:

1. Her accomplices (Babylonians, Chaldeans, Assyrians, etc) will rise up against her for punishment, destruction and taking into captivity.
2. She would be plundered and dispossessed of her precious possessions.
3. She would be naked and made to face shame and ridicule.
4. She will suffer same fate like her sister Aholah.

All these punishments would be meted out to Judah because of her sins and reckless life. Judah and Jerusalem decided to forget God, threw him away from her presence and went whoring after other gods, hence would have to face the music all alone. What is your life like? Are you into secret sinful relationships God is not happy with? Do you still consult other media other than the only true and living

God? Are you into syncretism all in the name of being religious or finding solutions to life challenges? Repent today and follow Christ in the right way and with the right spirit.

A Yoruba adage says, "He who is in the front and falls into a pit teaches the rest coming behind a lesson." Aholibah was supposed to learn from the mistakes and misbehaviours of her sister Aholah and what she suffered and not walk similar ways. It is however a pity that she did not, she went in same waywardness even worse than her sister. The Lord was displeased and ready to punish. Remember, you are to learn from the mistakes and chastisement of others and not fall in similar pit. Be wise; live righteous and pleasing to God.

QUESTIONS

1. Who does today's lesson focus on,
Aholah or Aholibah?
2. Mention the nations she went into
prostitution with.
3. State five sins she indulged in
4. State three punishments she would
suffer as declared by God
5. How can someone escape God's
punishments?

NOVEMBER 22, 2026

LESSON 47

JUDGMENT DECLARED ON AHOLAH AND AHOLIBAH

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 23: 36-49

THE MEMORY VERSE:- "There is no peace, saith the LORD, unto the wicked." (Isaiah 48:22).

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	16/11/2026	Settle with the Son Now	Psalms 2: 10 -12
Tuesday	17/11/2026	Beware of abominable things	Deut. 7: 25-26
Wednesday	18/11/2026	Not to be mentioned among you	Eph. 5: 3-7
Thursday	19/11/2026	Learn from Achan	Joshua 7: 19-26
Friday	20/11/2026	Sword for sin	Ex. 32: 25-28
Saturday	21/11/2026	Abominable acts	Ezek. 23: 36-44
Sunday	22/11/2026	Beware of God's judgment	Ezek. 23: 45-49

INTRODUCTION

No doubt, God is displeased with the abominable acts of his beloved people and nation. In the previous lessons, he spoke about the individual adulterer and her whoredom, as well as his reactions towards this wickedness. In today's lesson, we saw God here addressing the issues of the two sisters together, pointing out their sins and his intending punishments. AHOLAH, Judah, and Aholibah, Israel, have failed and betrayed the love their divine lover has for them, hence, he was left with no options than to declare his judgment on them. Do not undermine God's tender love and mercies and do not take them for his weakness or slothfulness, he is being patient with you so you can repent and turn to him and his will before the final day of his unbearable punishments.

LESSON

I. DECLARATION OF DETESTABLE PRACTICES OF AHOLAH AND AHOLIBAH (Ezek. 23: 36-44)

These detestable practices were referred to as abominations, meaning, what one should never indulge in or get involved in. In another word, a taboo. The Christian race is such that spells certain things overtly or covertly, that should never be identified with a child of God. It should be a life of Christ that runs with the mantra, "Others can, I cannot", "Others could, I shall not""Others may, I must not", when it comes to ignoble matters in life. Check the following scriptures and make relevant and reasonable observations: Deut. 7: 25-26; 12: 29-32; 17: 2-5; Eph. 5: 3-7.

Now, the abominations are identified below:

1. **Adultery** - they went after other gods against the instructions of their loving husband.
2. **Blood shedding** - they shed innocent blood. They slaughtered their children to idols as if slaughtering goats. How many children have you also slaughtered through abortion, whether as married or single individuals? If you have indulged in this, your hands are full of blood. You have to confess this to God and repent of this act never to go back to such again.
3. **Making their children pass through fire** - a wicked and vile act and practice which is alien to the worship of Yahweh, the covenant God of Israel.
4. **Defilement of God's sanctuary** - polluted God's house and altar with all manner of ungodly sacrifices and practices
5. **Profanity of the Sabbath** - making of no importance the Lord's Day. They treated the day of the Lord with contempt and irreverence.
6. **Sensual, suggestive and seductive attire and appearance** - they adorned themselves like whores, in a way that gives invitation to adulterous men. Ours is a generation of all manners of clothing and appearance - wearing of body hug, see-through, bikini, tights, night gowns, etc., in public places. In this era of the social media, you get all for free - nudity at its peak, going from being half-naked to total nakedness. Detestable acts to God.

The Israelites did all these to be like the ungodly nations God destroyed from before them and whose land they now occupy. Watch and guard against the evil of wanting to be like the world.

II. DECLARATION OF PUNISHMENTS UPON AHOLAH AND AHOLIBAH (Ezek. 23: 45-49)

Both Judah and Israel would be judged accordingly. They have courted the anger of God and would face the music as his justice requires so.

They would be punished with the following, thus:

1. **Terror and plunder** - they would be made to suffer divine terror. It is the righteous, the Bible says, is as bold as lion and not the sinner; the sinners' lot is unrest, fear and lack of peace (Prov. 28: 1; Isa. 48: 22; 57: 21). They would be robbed of everything that is good. They would be robbed of peace. Students to discuss the following texts in line with the focus: Prov. 13: 21; Eccl. 2: 26. Why choose to remain a sinner? Why not reconsider your ways today and live for Christ?
2. **Stoning and slaughtering** - they would be stoned and their children killed by the sword. How easy is punishment by stoning? What about sword? Students to respond to the following: From the Bible, give two examples of those stoned to death and what they did. Also, mention two persons killed with the sword and what their offences were. Run from God's judgment and run to Christ now.
3. **Their houses would be burnt down** - sin renders a man homeless eternally, beware.
4. **End shall come to promiscuity and prostitution** - through the punishment others would learn not to go the way of the sinners and by this, end would come to religious and spiritual harlotry among the people of Israel.

5. Suffering for prostitution and idolatry - there are consequences for every decision and action, Judah and Israel would have to pay severely for indulging in idolatry. You will pay for your sins, there are no escape route except you repent and choose Christ, righteousness and holiness today.

Though chosen and beloved, Israel abused this greatest opportunity and will have to face the consequences of her foolishness in joining herself with strange lovers, relationship, lifestyles and worships. Beware, the God that is merciful is also the God of justice.

QUESTIONS

1. What one name is used for the detestable practices according to the lesson?
2. According to the lesson, what should a Christian mantra be?
3. Identify any five of the detestable practices
4. What are four punishments to be meted out to the harlots?
5. Recite the memory verse for today's lesson and preach on it for three minutes

NOVEMBER 29, 2026

LESSON 48

THE BEGINNING OF JERUSALEM SIEGE

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 24:1-14

THE MEMORY VERSE:- "Son of man, write thee the name of the day, even of this same day: the king of Babylon set himself against Jerusalem this same day. Ezekiel 24:2

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	23/11/2026	Consider your way 1	Haggai 1:1-5
Tuesday	24/11/2026	Consider your way 2	Lamentation 3:39-41
Wednesday	25/11/2026	Be careful 1	Exodus 23:32-33
Thursday	26/11/2026	Be careful 2	Exodus 34:10-12
Friday	27/11/2026	Examine the word of God 1	John 8:42- 47
Saturday	28/11/2026	Examine the word God 2	Psalms 1:1-3
Sunday	29/11/2026	God is still speaking	1 Samuel 3:8-11

INTRODUCTION

In the ninth year, in the tenth month, on the tenth day of the month: As God commanded, Ezekiel carefully recorded the day of this prophecy. This was a nation-changing and life-changing date, long remembered. To relate this to 21st century United States events, it was an iconic date like 9/11 which remembers attacks against the United States on September 11, 2001. It is an unforgettable day in the lives of the people who are in the United State of America, even to the whole world at large.

LESSON

I. THE WORD GOD (vs. 1-2)

The message of God came to the prophet Ezekiel on January 15, 588 B.C., the date of the beginning of the siege of Jerusalem. So serious is this date that it's mentioned in 2 Kings 25:1-3 as well as Jer. 39:1-3 and 52:4-6. During their years of exile, the Jews observed four annual feasts to remember the

painful events of the demolition of Jerusalem (Zech. 7; 8:18-23). They marked when the siege began (tenth month), when the walls were broken (fourth month), when the temple was burned down (fifth month), and when Gedaliah the governor was assassinated (the seventh month. Jer. 41:1-2). This exact date is also recorded in 2 Kings 25:1, Jeremiah 39:1, and Jeremiah 52:4. It is also known from book of Zechariah 8:19 that this date became a reckless for the exiles, as remembering one of the dangerous days in the fall of the holy city. The day that Babylonian's King started his siege against Jerusalem: The day was so important because it was the day that God's long promise started coming to pass till the final siege, conquest, and destruction of Jerusalem. A day of weeping.

II. THE REBELLION HOUSE . VS 3

God called Judah a "rebellious house" not only because they broke His laws and violated His covenant, but also because Zedekiah had broken his treaty with Babylon and incited the displeasure of Nebuchadnezzar. How many God's law have you broken, when one breaks his creator's law, he leaves the person in the hands of his or her enemies. But, our God is a merciful God, go back to him, he will forgive and bring you back to his side.

III. THE PARABLE OF COOKING POT.

VS 4-8

In the parable about the cooking pot, here the prophet used the image and terminology of the Jerusalem leaders. Yes, God would put "the best cuts of meat" into His pot (Jerusalem) and boil the meat and the bones (the Babylonian siege). He wouldn't "cook" the flesh; He would consume it! (Ezek. 10) Then He would pour out the burned mess and burn the pot itself: Jerusalem was an evil city, filled with sin like a dirty pot covered with corruption and layer. She had shed innocent blood and hadn't even been decent enough to cover the blood. You should know that, God sees all our evil attitudes, the punishment will come one day.

IV. THE PRONOUNCEMENT OF PUNISHMENT- VS 9-14

God pronounced woe unto them because of their sins which they thought God did not see them. In order words, as a minister of God, workers or members in the church of God, all what we do or are doing by going against the will of God and that of the authority because of our position or prosperity, we think we cannot be rebuked. Remember, God can rebuke anyone he wants to rebuke when he wants to. (Gen 4:10; Lev 17:13; Deut. 12:16, 24; 15:23).

Our world today lives on misconceptions and myths, like the Jews in the day of Ezekiel, the world won't accept the authority of the Word of God. People still believe that, money is the measure of worth and success, that the aim of life is to have fun and do what you want to do. One can believe whatever one thinks about God, him/herself, and others, with the hope that everything will turn out fine because there are no consequences. But one day, God will expose the stupidity of these misconceptions and the world will know that it is too late that, there are consequences to what we believe and how we behave.

QUESTIONS

1. Is good to be a rebellious person? 2. What does the cooking pot parable mean?
3. Why did God call Judah a rebellious house?
4. Do you think God can deal with his own people?
5. What was the punishment God pronounced against them?

DECEMBER 6, 2026

LESSON 49

THE DEATH OF EZEKIEL'S WIFE

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 24:15-27

THE MEMORY VERSE:- “Son of man, behold, I take away from thee the desire of thine eyes with a stroke: yet neither shalt thou mourn nor weep, neither shall thy tears run down. Ezekiel 24vs 15

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	30/11/2026	Death is inevitable 1	Psalms 22:14-20
Tuesday	1/12/2026	Death is inevitable 2	Ecclesiastes 7:1-3
Wednesday	2/12/2026	Where are you going after this sinful world?	Luke 23:42-43
	3/12/2026	Where will you spend your everlasting 1	Revelation 20:11-12
Friday	4/12/2026	Where will you spend your everlasting? 2	Revelation 20:13-14
Saturday	5/12/2026	Be assured that you will go one day	Ecclesiastes 3:1-3
Sunday	6/12/2026	Vanity is this world	Ecclesiastes 1:1-11

INTRODUCTION

Can we say sometimes it seems like God is unfair? Over the years in my role as minister, when people lose their loved one, they often not only ask “Why did they have to die?”, but also, “Why did God do this?” They will even ask why God took their loved one if that loved one is very old and died of natural causes. We often wonder what God’s responsibility is when we lose a loved one. It is extremely difficult anytime a close family member or friend dies. We don’t want them to die, and we can feel as if it is unfair. So, we look to the one who could have done something about it, and didn’t: God. But is it God’s fault? The shocking events we read about in the final section of Ezekiel 24 will surely give us cause to ask God if he is at fault for what appears to be an unnecessary evil.

LESSON

I. THE PROPHECY ABOUT THE DEATH OF EZEKIEL WIFE. VS 15-16a

Scripture never bothers to tell the cause of his wife’s death, but it’s clear that her death was according to God’s plan—as everyone’s death is (see Psalm 31:15; 139:16; Ecclesiastes 3:2). Here is Ezekiel’s record of the event, starting with God’s announcement to Ezekiel that his wife would die: *The word of the LORD came to me: Son of man, with one blow I am about to take away from you the delight of your eyes vs 16a.* We must know as Christians, God can reveal the coming evil without averting it. He does this to prepare our heart for it, so that it won’t cut us unaware. Your faith shall be tried, prepare for it.

II. WARNING TO EZEKIEL BEFORE HIS WIFE’S DEATH Vs. 16b-17

Ezekiel has been warned before the sudden death of his beloved wife—God was going to take away the delight of his eyes. We naturally question why this had to be, but God’s further instructions to Ezekiel prompt even more questions: *Yet do not lament or weep or shed any tears. Groan quietly; do not mourn for the dead. Keep your turban fastened and your sandals on your feet; do not cover your mustache and*

beard or eat the customary food of mourner. God is Sovereign in his act. We can't understand all. When God allows what you can't understand happens to you, just accept it in faith and do not speak blasphemy against God. It is well with your soul.

III. THE PRICE TO PAY IN MINISTRY

Vs. 18-27

Ezekiel paid a greater price than all these prophets. In order to give his message, Ezekiel had to see his wife died suddenly and he was not to show great grief because of it! God told him that she would suddenly die and that he was not to do what the Jews usually did in times of bereavement. He was allowed to groan quietly, but he was not permitted to weep or make the kind of lamentation that was typical of his people. If only we can ask our fathers in the Lord the price each one of them had paid in the course of their ministry, we would know that ministry is not easy at all. In the same vein, many Christians had faced a lot. Nobody comes to the world without being wounded. May God be our comfort.

What would happen to Ezekiel would be a replica of the impending evil on the disobedient Israel. (read, vs 25-27) Refusal to do God's will attracts severe punishment. Repent!

QUESTIONS

1. Was God unfair to the death of Ezekiel's wife?
2. What price have you paid as a Christian? Share your experience.
3. Do you think God is justifiable of the death of Ezekiel's Wife?
4. How should we react to the happening of evil we don't understand?
5. What does the bereavement of Ezekiel represent?

DECEMBER 13, 2026

LESSON 50

JUDGMENT ON THE NATIONS THAT ARE RELATED TO ISRAEL

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- *Ezekiel 25:1-14*

THE MEMORY VERSE:- *"And say unto the Ammonites, Hear the word of the Lord GOD; Thus saith the Lord GOD; Because thou saidst, Aha, against my sanctuary, when it was profaned; and against the land of Israel, when it was desolate; and against the house of Judah, when they went into captivity; Ezekiel 25:3*

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	7/12/2026	Listen to what the Spirit is saying 1	Genesis 26:1-8
Tuesday	8/12/2026	Listen to what the Spirit is saying 2	Genesis 26:9-14
Wednesday	9/12/2026	Seek the Lord before it is too late 1	Mark 10:29-30
Thursday	10/12/2026	Seek the Lord before it is too late 2	Matthew 6:33-34
Friday	11/12/2026	Don't be a rebellion Child 1	Exodus 10:27-29
Saturday	12/12/2026	Don't be a rebellion Child 2	Exodus 19:11-14
Sunday	13/12/2026	Take heed	Genesis 31:24-29

INTRODUCTION

The Ammonites, Moabites, and Edomites were all blood relatives of the Jews. The Ammonites and Moabites were related to Israel through Lot, Abraham's nephew. Ammon and Moab were the two sons born out of the incestuous union of Lot and two of his daughters (Gen 19:29-38). Edom is another name for Jacob's twin brother Esau (Gen. 25:30; Edom means "red"), and Jacob fathered the twelve tribes of Israel. One will think that these nations related by blood will be supportive of each another, but these three nations had a long-standing hatred against Israel and kept the quarrel going.

LESSON

I. JUDGMENT ON AMMON(vs.1-7)

When Israel was marching toward the Promised Land, defeating one nation after another. God commanded them not to attack the Ammonites because He had given them their land (Deut. 2:19). they were an aggressive people (Jer. 40:14; 41:5-7), and both Saul and David had defeated them in battle (1 Sam 11; 1 Chron. 19:1-20:8). Ammon had united with Moab in attacking Judah but both were soundly defeated (2 Chron 20). The Lord announced that He would deliver Ammon into the hands of "the men of the east" (Ezek. 25:4), meaning the Babylonian army. In his march, Nebuchadnezzar had paused at the juncture of two roads, one of which led to Jerusalem and the other to Rabbah, the capital of Ammon (Ezek.21:18-24). There he sought guidance from his diviners, and God saw to it that he marched to Jerusalem. The Ammonites had breathed a sigh of relief and had been joyful when they saw Jerusalem ruined and the temple desecrated, but now their time had come. God would destroy Ammon and the nation would perish from the earth forever.

II. JUDGMENT ON MOAB (vs.8-11).

It was Balak, king of Moab, who hired Baalam to curse Israel as they camped on the plains of Moab (Num 22; 24), and it was Baalam who taught the Moabites how to seduce Israel into sinning against God (Num 25:1-9; 31:16). The sin of Moab was an insult against Israel, a refusal to see the Jews as God's special people. To the Moabites, the fall of Jerusalem proved that the Jews were just like any other people. They said that if they were such as special nation they argued. Then why have you experienced such a humiliating defeat? Huh! can you please pause here and have a deep thinking, what do you say when you see someone falling, most especially, when a minister falls? What kind of words come out your mouth to his or her falling? Please be very careful of what you say because when he was called also when he or she will be restored you will not be there.(Num 23:8-10).

The Moabites were a very proud people because they thought their nation was impregnable (Isa 36:6). Moab was located in the high mountains, with the Dead Sea on the west and the desert on the east. God told them He would bring attackers through their "inaccessible" northwest border ("flank," Ezek 25:9.) even though it was made up of sheer cliffs: and He did. It was the Assyrians who invaded and destroyed Moab, and today Moab is no longer remembered among the nations.

QUESTIONS

1. Who were the two Kings that defeated Ammon?
2. Is good to mock any one that fall?
3. How did Moabites seduce Israel into sinning against God
4. What was the sins of Moabites?

DECEMBER 20, 2026

LESSON 51

(CHRISTMAS SUNDAY)

GOODNEWS IN THE PRAIRIES

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Luke 2:8-20

THE MEMORY VERSE:- "For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord". (Luke 2:11)

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	14/12/2026	God's Offspring	Genesis 3:12-15
Tuesday	15/12/2026	God's Sign	Isaiah 7:10-14
Wednesday	16/12/2026	The Ruler over Israel	Micha 5:1-5
	17/12/2026	The Son of God	Hosea 11:1-4, Matt. 2:14-15
Thursday			
Friday	18/12/2026	The Righteous Branch	Jeremiah 23:1-6
Saturday	19/12/2026	Glory be God in the Highest	Luke 2:8-14
Sunday	20/12/2026	The Baby in a Manger	Luke 2:15-20

INTRODUCTION

The birth of Jesus supposed not to be strange to the Jews because, there are prophecies about it in the Old Testaments. Several Old Testament prophets foretold the birth of Jesus Christ, with the most prominent being Isaiah and Micha. Isaiah prophesied that a virgin would conceive and bear a son. (Isaiah 7:14, 9:6) Micha prophesied that the Messiah would be born in Bethlehem. (Micha 5:2) These prophecies, fulfilled in the New Testament through the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem and virgin birth through Mary. The prophecies of God concerning your life might tarry, but, they will surely come to pass if you remain in Jesus Christ.

LESSON

I. THE SHEPHERDS AND ANGEL IN THE PRAIRIES-VS 8-14

(a) The Shepherds-vs 8

Animal husbandry was a prominent profession in the land of Israel from the time of their patriarchs. Our lesson today reveals to us about shepherds in the prairies, keeping watch over their flock by night against wild animals and robbers. We also have our Shepherd, Jesus Christ, who watches over us day and night. (Ps. 23, 121:4-8).

(b) The Angel of the Lord-vs 9-11

There was a strange experience or visitor in the prairies which made the shepherds to be afraid. The Bible says, *an angel of the Lord stood before them, the glory of the Lord shone around them and they were greatly afraid*. The angel encouraged them and shared the good tidings of great joy with them concerning the birth of the Savior from the lineage of David. We should be expecting the good news in our houses and the places of work as the year comes to an end.

(c) The Multitude of the heavenly host- vs 12-14

It seems an angel mentioned before was the one that came in human form to take the delivery of virgin Mary. Afterwards, he announced the birth of Jesus Christ with signs to the shepherd (vs 12). Then, a multitude of the heavenly host joined him, praising and glorifying God in the highest (vs 13-14) before they all returned to heaven. (vs 15) The birth of Jesus Christ brought joy to both earth and heaven, something will happen in your family this year that will shake the heaven and the earth with shout of joy. Are you ready for it?

II. THE SHEPHERDS PROCLAIMED THE GOOD NEWS-VS 15-20

(a) The Shepherds Believed-vs 15-16

Without hesitation, they believed the words and went to specific aspect in the field where Jesus was born. They found Joseph, Mary and the Babe lying in the manger. Stop doubting the word of God, believe! It is for your own good.

(b) The Shepherds Shared their

Experience-vs 17-18

They shared their experience with the parents of Jesus Christ and other people present there and they were marveled. It is your turn to share great testimony that would marvel people as this year comes to an end.

(c) The Good Action of Mary.-vs 19

Mary kept all the news in her heart. Parents should learn how to keep the secret of prophecy concerning their children because of the evil ones. Stop sharing the secret of your life with glory destroyers.

(d) The Good Step of the Shepherds

- vs 20

They returned, glorifying and praising God for their experience. We should learn how to glorify and praise God for what he has given us privilege to experience in life, most especially our salvation and safety.

QUESTIONS

1. Mention the names of two prophets in the Old Testament that prophesied the birth of Jesus Christ.
2. What news did an angel share with the Shepherds?
3. What happened at prairies?
4. What were the good steps taken by the Shepherds?
5. What lesson can we learn from Mary?

DECEMBER 27, 2026

LESSON 52

**JUDGMENT ON RELATED AND
NEIGHBORING NATION**

THE SCRIPTURE READING:- Ezekiel 25:12 - 17

THE MEMORY VERSE:- "Oh let the wickedness of the wicked come to an end; but establish the just: for the righteous God trieth the hearts and reins". Psalm 7:9.

DAILY BIBLE READING

DAYS	DATE	TOPIC	BIBLE READING
Monday	21/12/2026	What type of person are you? 1	Psalm 1:1-3
Tuesday	22/12/2026	What type of person are you? 2	Psalm 1:4-6
Wednesday	23/12/2026	No wicked will go unpunished 1	Psalm 3:1-8
Thursday	24/12/2026	No wicked will go unpunished 2	Psalm 7:6-9
Friday	25/12/2026	There is reward for every thing 1	Revelation 22:11-12
Saturday	26/12/2026	There is reward for every thing 2	Daniel 6:21-26
Sunday	27/12/2026	Which reward will yours be?	Matthew 25:15-28

INTRODUCTION

Once again, the themes of pride, hatred, and revenge come to the fore, sins that can motivate nations even today. It's very easy for arrogance to masquerade as patriotism, hatred as national zeal, and revenge as justice. Having dealt with the sins of the nations related to Israel, God then set his face against the neighboring nations.

LESSON

I. JUDGMENT ON EDOM (vs. 12-14).

Edom's hatred of the Jews began when Esau stupidly sold his birthright to his brother Jacob, and when their mother conspired to secure the fatherly blessing for her favorite son, Jacob (Gen 25:29-34; 27). Jacob went to Haran to live with his uncle primarily to escape the annoyance and murderous intent of his brother. Esau's children became powerful tribal chiefs (Gen 36), but Jacob's sons became the founders of the twelve tribes of Israel, the people God chose to accomplish His great purposes on this earth.

God would destroy Edom because of the way they treated the Jews (Obad 10-14). When Jerusalem was being attacked, the Edomites praised the Babylonians (Ps 137:7) and gave no help to the Jewish refugees who were trying to escape. Instead, the Edomites helped the Babylonians capture the fleeing people and rejoiced over the terrible calamities that had come to the Jews. Along with the Babylonians, they looted the city and robbed their own blood relatives. Sins against humanity are sins against God, because humans are made in the image of God. Therefore, be very careful of what you do to others, so that what happen to these nations will not come to you too. (Read Lam 4:21-22).

God's message to Edom reminds us that family disputes are costly and often lead to pain and tragedy. The Edomites sustained their hatred for the Jews from generation to generation. Booker T. Washington said "Let no man pull you so low as to make you hate him," do not forget what your maker said in Matt. 5:44.

II. JUDGMENT ON PHILISTIA (vs. 15-17).

After the Israelites entered and occupied the land of Canaan, the neighboring Philistines became serious enemies. Among the judges, Shamgar (Judg 3:31) and Samson (Judg 13-16) attacked them, and both Samuel and Saul had to contend with them. It was David who finally defeated the Philistines, and they were kept under control throughout the reign of Solomon (2 Sam 5:17-25; 21:15-22; 23:9-17). When the Jewish nation divided, the Philistines asserted their independence and became successful merchants and traders along with the Phoenicians.

The Philistines nurtured a national hatred for the Jews and detained every opportunity to harass and attack them. Ezekiel wasn't the only prophet who prophesied God's judgment on the Philistines (read Jer 47; Amos 1:6-8; Zeph 2:4-7). The Philistines associated with Egypt in an attempt to withstand Nebuchadnezzar; Babylon was too much for them and they were defeated and banished like the other defeated nations (Jer 25:15-32; 47). We should know the people we be associate with so that we will not be in danger.

QUESTIONS

1. What is the sin of Philistines?
2. How many people had attacked the Philistines before? Mention them.
3. Who later defeated them?
4. What was the relationship between

Edom and Israel?

What lesson can we learn in the
relationship between Edom and
Israel?