

## Old Testament Survey - **Ezekiel**

**Author:** Ezekiel (Name means: God will strengthen). He was a priest (1:3). Taken captive to Babylon in 597 B.C. (1:2; 33:21). May have been born in 627 B.C. Began ministry in 5<sup>th</sup> year of Jehoiachin's captivity (1:1) at age 30, and prophesied for about 20 years (cf. 29:17).

**Date:** 592-570 (overlaps the ministries of both Jeremiah and Daniel)

**Theme:** Condemnation & Consolation: Condemnation upon Judah's faithless leaders & godless foes, And consolation regarding Israel's future.

### **Outline:**

- I. Condemnation (1-32)
  - A. Prophecies of Jerusalem's Destruction (1-24)
  - B. Prophecies Against the Nations (25-32)
- II. Consolation - Restoration of Israel (33-48)
  - A. Prophecies of Israel's Blessing (33-39)
  - B. The Millennial Temple & Sacrifices (40-48)

**Key People:** Ezekiel

### **Key Chapters & Verses**

- 1 Vision of 4 beings, 4 wheels & Divine Glory
- 8 Vision of Abominations in the Temple (Dig through Wall).
- 9 Vision of Slaughter in Jerusalem (Glory at Threshold).
- 10 Vision of Wheels & Cherubim (Glory at East Gate)
- 11 Vision of 25 Wicked Rulers (Glory over Mt. East of City)
- 33 Watchman's duty
- 36 Mountains of Israel to be blessed, Israel to be renewed.
- 36:24-27: New Covenant - renewed from the inside: cleansed, new heart of flesh, new spirit
- 37 Valley of Dry bones, reunion of Israel & Judah, Everlasting Davidic Kingdom,
- 38-39 Prophecy about Gog & Magog.
- 40-48 Restored Temple filled with God's glory, restored worship & land

Contemporary of Jeremiah (older) & Daniel (a little younger. He mentions Daniel 3 times - 14:14;, 20 & 28:3)

### Detailed Outline

- I. Condemnation (1-32)
  - A. Ezekiel's Call & Commission (1-3) (July 31, 593 B.C. 5<sup>th</sup> yr Jehoiachin's captivity/ Age 30)
    - 1. Vision of the Four Figures (1)
      - a. The Time of the Vision (1-3)
      - b. The Four Living Creatures (4-14)
      - c. The Four Wheels (15-21)

- d. The Expanse (22-25)
  - e. The Glorious Man (26-28)
- 2. Called to Ministry (2:1-3:3))
- 3. Ministry Explained (3:4-27)
- B. Prophecies of Jerusalem's Destruction (4-24)
  - 1. Four Signs of Coming Judgment (4-5)
    - a. Sign of the Clay Tablet (4:1-3)
    - b. Sign of Lying on His Side (4:4-8)
    - c. Sign of the Defiled Bread (4:9-17)
    - d. Sign of the Shorn Head (5:1-4)
    - e. Sign of the Signs Explained (5:5-17)
  - 2. Messages of Coming Judgment (6-7)
    - a. Judgment because of Idolatry (6)
    - b. Judgment Described (7)
  - 3. Visions of Coming Judgment (8-11)
    - a. Vision of the Glory of God (8:1-4) (Sept. 17, 592 B.C. - 6<sup>th</sup> year, 6<sup>th</sup> month, 5<sup>th</sup> day of Jehoiachin's captivity)
    - b. Visions of Abominations in the Court & Temple (8:5-18)
    - c. Visions of the Slaughter in Jerusalem (9)
    - d. Vision of the Departure of the Lord's Glory from the Temple (10)
    - e. Vision of the Wicked Rulers and the Departure of the Lord's Glory from Jerusalem (11)
  - 4. Signs and Parables of Judgment (12-24)
    - a. Sign of Baggage for Exile (12:1-16)
    - b. Sign of Quivering (12:17-28)
    - c. Condemnation of the False Prophets (13)
    - d. Condemnation of the Idolatrous Elders (14:1-11)
    - e. Judgments Against Jerusalem (14:12-23)

- f. Parable of the Useless Vine (15)
- g. Parable of Unfaithfulness (16)
- h. Parable of Two Eagles (17)
- i. Personal Responsibility for Sin (18)
- j. Lament for the Princes of Israel (19)
- k. Judgments on Jerusalem (20-24)
  - i. History of God's Dealings with Israel (20:1-32) (Aug. 9, 591 B.C. - 7<sup>th</sup> year, 5<sup>th</sup> month, 10<sup>th</sup> day of Jehoiachin's captivity)
  - ii. Promise of Future Restoration (20:33-44)
  - iii. Sign the Forest Fire (20:45-49)
  - iv. Sign the Sword (21)
  - v. Jerusalem's Sins (22)
  - vi. Parable of the Two Sisters (23)
  - vii. Parable of the Boiling Pot (24:1-14) (Jan. 15, 588 B.C. - 9<sup>th</sup> year, 10<sup>th</sup> month, 10<sup>th</sup> day of Jehoiachin's captivity)
  - viii. Sign of the Death of Ezekiel's Wife (24:15-27)
- C. Prophecies Against the Nations (25-32)
  - 1. Judgment on Ammon (25:1-7)
  - 2. Judgment on Moab (25:8-11)
  - 3. Judgment on Edom (25:12-14)
  - 4. Judgment on Philistia (25:15-17)
  - 5. Judgment on Tyre (26-28)
    - a. Destruction of Tyre (26) (Feb. 12, 586 B.C. - 11<sup>th</sup> year, 1<sup>st</sup> day of Jehoiachin's captivity)
    - b. Lament over Tyre (27)
    - c. The Ruler of Tyre (28:1-10)
    - d. The King of Tyre (28:11-19)
  - 6. Judgment on Sidon (28:20-24)

7. Israel to be Regathered (28:25-26)

8. Judgment on Egypt (29-32)

Sins of Egypt - 29:1-16. Jan. 7, 587 B.C. - 10<sup>th</sup> year, 10<sup>th</sup> month, 12<sup>th</sup> day

Egypt & Babylon - 29:17-30:19. April 26, 571 B.C. - 27<sup>th</sup> year, 1<sup>st</sup> month, 1<sup>st</sup> day

Breaking of Pharaoh's arm - 30:20-26. April 29, 587 B.C. - 11<sup>th</sup> year, 7<sup>th</sup> month, 1<sup>st</sup> day

The Great Cedar Tree - 31:1-18. June 21, 587 B.C. - 11<sup>th</sup> year, 3<sup>rd</sup> month, 1<sup>st</sup> day

A Lament over Pharaoh - 32:1-16. March 3, 585 B.C. - 12<sup>th</sup> year, 12<sup>th</sup> month, 1<sup>st</sup> day

Pharaoh's Descent to Sheol - 32:17-32. March 17, 585 B.C. - 12<sup>th</sup> year, 12<sup>th</sup> month, 15<sup>th</sup> day

II. Consolation - Restoration of Israel (33-48)

A. Prophecies of Israel's Blessing (33-39)

1. The Watchman's Duty (33) (33:21 - Jan. 8, 585 B.C. - 12<sup>th</sup> year, 10<sup>th</sup> month, 5<sup>th</sup> day

2. Israel's Shepherds (34)

a. Prophecy Against False Shepherds (1-10)

b. The True Shepherd (11-31)

3. Prophecy Against Mt. Seir (Edom) (35)

4. Blessings on the Mountains of Israel (36)

5. Vision of the Valley of the Dry Bones (37:1-14)

6. Sign of the Two Sticks (37:15-28)

7. Prophecies about the future Invasion by Gog (38,39)

a. Gog's Invasion of Israel (38)

b. God's Destruction of Gog (39)

B. The Millennial Temple & Sacrifices (40-48)

1. The Vision of the New Temple (40-43) (40:1 April 28, 573 B.C. - 25<sup>th</sup> year, 1<sup>st</sup> month, 10<sup>th</sup> day of captivity - 14 years from fall of Jerusalem)

2. The Worship in the New Temple (44-46)

3. The Division of the Restored Land (47-48)

## Old Testament Survey - **Daniel**

**Author:** Daniel (Written in first person Chapters 7:2 forward; 12:24; Matthew 24:15. Denials of authorship by liberals founded on their denial of true prophecy contained in the book). Daniel means "God is my Judge." Daniel is taken into Babylonian captivity in 605 B.C. at the age of 16. His life and ministry extended through the entire 70 period of the Babylonian captivity.

Daniel is not included with the prophets because though he had prophetic gifts, his position was that of a wise man and court official.

Daniel is written two languages in three sections. Chapter 1 and 8-12 are in Hebrew while 2-7 are in Aramaic. (This reflects who those chapters concern).

**Date:** 605 - 535 B.C.

**Theme:** Destiny: God's sovereign destiny for Gentile nations & Israel.

### **Outline:**

- I. Introduction: Daniel's rise to power (1) {Hebrew}
- II. Destiny of the Gentile Nations (2-7) {Aramaic}
  - A. Nebuchadnessar's Statue Dream (2) (Gentile Destiny)
  - B. Nebuchadnezzar's Golden Idol (3) (Gentile Persecution)
  - C. Nebuchadnezzar's Tree vision (4) (Gentile Humiliation)
  - D. Belshazzar & the writing on the wall. (5) (Gentile Humiliation)
  - E. Daniel in Lions Den (6) (Gentile Persecution)
  - F. Daniel's Vision of the Four Beasts (7) (Gentile Destiny)
- III. Destiny of the Jewish Nation (8-12) {Hebrew}
  - A. Daniel's Vision of Ram & He-Goat (8) (History to 2nd Advent: oppressed by Antiochus)
  - B. Daniel's Prayer & Revelation of 70 weeks (9) (History to 2nd Advent: oppressed by Antichrist)
  - C. Daniel Terrified & Comforted by Angel (10)
  - D. Daniel told of destiny of Persia & Greece (11) (History to 2nd advent: oppressed by both)
  - E. Daniel told of the End & to Seal the book (12)

**Key People:** Daniel, Hannaiah, Mishael, Azariah,

### **Key Chapters & Verses**

Memorize Outline

**9:24-27** 70 weeks & Messiah: 69 weeks to "cut Off"

**12:1-2** Prophecy of O.T. resurrection

## Detailed Outline

### I. Introduction: Daniel's rise to power (1) {Hebrew}

#### A. The Capture of Jerusalem (1-2)

#### B. The Captivity of Daniel and Others (3-7)

##### 1. Their Origin (3)

##### 2. Their Nature (4)

##### 3. Their Nurture (4-5)

##### 4. Their Names (6-7)

###### a. Hebrew Names

###### b. Babylonian Names

#### C. The Promotion of Daniel and his Friends (8-21)

##### 1. The Reasons (8-17)

###### a. Commitment to Holiness (8-16)

###### b. God's Gift (17)

##### 2. The Results (18-21)

###### a. Superior knowledge (18-20)

###### b. Longevity (21)

### II. Destiny of the Gentile Nations (2-7) {Aramaic}

#### A. Nebuchadnessar's Statue Dream (2)

(Gentile Destiny)

##### 1. The Failure of the Wise Men (1-13)

##### 2. The Revelation of the Dream to Daniel (14-23)

##### 3. The Explanation of the Dream to Nebuchadnezzar (24-45)

###### a. The Source of the Dream (24-30)

###### b. The Contents of the Dream (31-35)

###### c. The Interpretation of the Dream (36-45)

##### 4. The Promotion of Daniel and his Friends (46-49)

- B. Nebuchadnezzar's Golden Idol, the fiery furnace (3) (Gentile Persecution)
  - 1. The King's Command to Worship the Image (1-7)
    - a. The Image (1)
    - b. The Dedication of the Image (2-3)
    - c. The Charge to Worship It (4-5)
    - d. The Penalty for Disobedience (6-7)
  - 2. The Refusal of the Young Men to Worship It (8-18)
    - a. Their Accusation by Others (8-12)
    - b. Their Arraignment by the King (13-15)
    - c. Their Steadfastness before God (16-18)
  - 3. The King's Wrath (19-23)
  - 4. Their Deliverance by God (24-27)
  - 5. The King's Recognition of God (28-30)
- C. Nebuchadnezzar's Tree vision, becomes "cow" king (4) (Gentile Humiliation)
  - 1. Preface to the King's Letter (1-3)
  - 2. The Description of the King's Vision (4-18)
    - a. The Setting of the Vision (4-7)
    - b. Recognition of Daniel as the Interpreter (8-9)
    - c. The Recounting of the Vision (10-18)
    - d. The Explanation of the Vision by Daniel (18-27)
    - e. The Fulfillment of the Vision (28-33)
    - f. The Repentance & Restoration of Nebuchadnezzar (34-35)
    - g. The Proclamation of Nebuchadnezzar (36)

D. The Fall of Babylon (5) (Gentile Humiliation)

1. The Feast of Belshazzar (1-4)
2. The Handwriting of God (5-16)
  - a. The Fear of Behlshazzar (5-6, 9)
  - b. The Inability of the Wisemen (7-8)
  - c. The Summons of Daniel (10-16)
3. The Explanation of God's Message by Daniel (17-29)
4. The Fall of Belshazzar and Babylon (30-31)

E. Daniel in Lions Den (6) (Gentile Persecution)

1. The Favor of Daniel by Darius (1-3)
2. The Jealousy of Daniel's Enemies (4-9)
3. The Faithfulness of Daniel to God (10)
4. The Accusations Against Daniel (11-15)
5. Daniel in the Lion's Den (16-19)
6. Daniel Delivered (20-24)
7. Daniel's Enemies Destroyed by the Lions (25-27)
8. Daniel's Success (28)

F. Daniel's Vision of 4 beasts (7) (Gentile Destiny)

1. The Description of the Dream (1-15)
  - a. The Time (1)
  - b. The Four Beasts (2-8)
  - c. The Ancient of Days (9-14)
  - d. The Effect on Daniel (15)



- 2. The Meaning of the Dream (16-28)
  - a. The General Interpretation (16-18)
  - b. The Specific Interpretations (19-27)

- c. The Effect on Daniel (28)

### III. Destiny of the Jewish Nation (8-12) {Hebrew}

#### A. Daniel's Vision of Ram & He-Goat (8) (History to 2nd Advent: oppressed by Antiochus)

- 1. The Vision Described (1-14)
- 2. The Vision Explained (15-26)

- 3. The Vision's Effect on Daniel (27)

#### B. Daniel's Prayer & Revelation of 70 weeks (9) (History to 2nd Advent: oppressed by Antichrist)

- 1. The Occasion (1-3)
- 2. Daniel's Prayer (4-19)

#### 3. The Answer to Daniel's Prayer (20-27)

- a. Gabriel's Appearance (20-23)

- b. Gabriel's Answer (24-27)

C. Daniel Terrified and Comforted by an Angel (10)

1. Daniel's Mourning and Fasting (1-3)

2. Daniel's Vision (4-9)

3. The Angelic Assistance (10-19)

D. Prophecies Concerning the Persia & Greece (11-35)

1. Prophecies Concerning Persia (1,2)

2. Prophecies Concerning Greece (11:3-)

a. Prophecies Concerning Egypt & Syria (11:4-35)

b. Prophecies Concerning Antiochus Epihanes (11:21-35)

3. Prophecies Concerning the Day of the Lord (11:36-12:4)

a. The Reign of Anti-Christ (11:36-45)

b. The Restoration of Israel (12:1-3)

c. The Command to Seal the Book (12:4)

E. The Two Angels and the Prophecy of the End (12:5-13)