

Ezekiel 1:1-3

In the thirtieth year, in the fourth month,  
on the fifth day of the month,  
as I was among the exiles by the Chebar canal,  
the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God.

On the fifth day of the month (it was  
the fifth year of the exile of King Jehoiachin),  
the word of the LORD came to Ezekiel  
the priest, the son of Buzi,  
in the land of the Chaldeans by the Chebar canal,  
and the hand of the LORD was upon him there.

Ezekiel 1:4-5a

As I looked, behold, a stormy wind *[ruach]*  
came out of the north, and a great cloud,  
with brightness around it,  
and fire flashing forth continually,  
and in the midst of the fire,  
as it were gleaming metal.  
And from the midst of it came  
the likeness of four living creatures.



Ezekiel 1:5b-7

And this was their appearance:  
they had a human likeness, but each had four faces,  
and each of them had four wings.

Their legs were straight, and the soles of their feet  
were like the sole of a calf's foot.

And they sparkled like burnished bronze.

Ezekiel 1:8-9

Under their wings on their four sides  
they had human hands.

And the four had their faces and their wings thus:  
their wings touched one another.

Each one of them went straight forward,  
without turning as they went.

Ezekiel 1:10-11a

As for the likeness of their faces,  
each had a human face.

The four had the face of a lion on the right side,  
the four had the face of an ox on the left side,  
and the four had the face of an eagle.

Such were their faces.

Ezekiel 1:11b-12

And their wings were spread out above.  
Each creature had two wings,  
each of which touched the wing of another,  
while two covered their bodies.  
And each went straight forward.  
Wherever the spirit would go, they went,  
without turning as they went.

Ezekiel 1:13-14

As for the likeness of the living creatures,  
their appearance was like burning coals of fire,  
like the appearance of torches moving to and fro  
among the living creatures.

And the fire was bright,  
and out of the fire went forth lightning.

And the living creatures darted to and fro,  
like the appearance of a flash of lightning.

Ezekiel 1:22-23

Over the heads of the living creatures  
there was the likeness of an expanse,  
shining like awe-inspiring crystal,  
spread out above their heads.

And under the expanse  
their wings were stretched out straight,  
one toward another.

And each creature had two wings  
covering its body.

Ezekiel 1:24

And when they went,  
I heard the sound of their wings  
like the sound of many waters,  
like the sound of the Almighty,  
a sound of tumult like the sound of an army.  
When they stood still, they let down their wings.

Ezekiel 1:25-26

And there came a voice  
from above the expanse over their heads...  
And above the expanse over their heads  
there was the likeness of a throne,  
in appearance like sapphire;  
and seated above the likeness of a throne  
was a likeness with a human appearance.

Ezekiel 1:27

And upward from what had the appearance of his waist I saw as it were gleaming metal, like the appearance of fire enclosed all around. And downward from what had the appearance of his waist I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and there was brightness around him.

Ezekiel 1:28

Like the appearance of the bow  
that is in the cloud on the day of rain,  
so was the appearance of the brightness all around.  
Such was the appearance  
of the likeness of the glory of the LORD.

And when I saw it, I fell on my face,  
and I heard the voice of one speaking.

Ezekiel 2:1-3

And he said to me, “Son of man,  
stand on your feet, and I will speak with you.”  
And as he spoke to me, the Spirit entered into me  
and set me on my feet,  
and I heard him speaking to me.

And he said to me,  
“Son of man, I send you to the people of Israel,  
to nations of rebels, who have rebelled against me.”

Ezekiel 2:4-5

“The descendants also are impudent and stubborn:  
I send you to them, and you shall say to them,  
‘Thus says the Lord GOD.’

And whether they hear or refuse to hear  
(for they are a rebellious house)  
they will know that a prophet  
has been among them.”

Ezekiel 2:6

“And you, son of man,  
be not afraid of them,  
nor be afraid of their words,  
though briars and thorns are with you  
and you sit on scorpions.

“Be not afraid of their words,  
nor be dismayed at their looks,  
for they are a rebellious house.”

Ezekiel 2:8-10

“But you, son of man, hear what I say to you.  
Be not rebellious like that rebellious house;  
open your mouth and eat what I give you.”

And when I looked, behold,  
a hand was stretched out to me, and behold,  
a scroll of a book was in it.

And he spread it before me.

And it had writing on the front and on the back,  
and there were written on it words  
of lamentation and mourning and woe.

Ezekiel 3:1-3

And he said to me, “Son of man,  
eat whatever you find here. Eat this scroll,  
and go, speak to the house of Israel.”

So I opened my mouth,  
and he gave me this scroll to eat.  
And he said to me, “Son of man,  
feed your belly with this scroll that I give you  
and fill your stomach with it.”

Then I ate it,  
and it was in my mouth as sweet as honey.

Ezekiel 3:8-9

Behold, I have made your face as hard as their faces,  
and your forehead as hard as their foreheads.  
Like emery harder than flint have  
I made your forehead.

Fear them not,  
nor be dismayed at their looks,  
for they are a rebellious house.”

Ezekiel 3:10-11

Moreover, he said to me, “Son of man,  
all my words that I shall speak to you  
receive in your heart, and hear with your ears.  
And go to the exiles, to your people,  
and speak to them and say to them,  
‘Thus says the Lord GOD,’  
whether they hear or refuse to hear.”

Ezekiel 3:12-13

Then the Spirit lifted me up, and I heard behind me  
the voice of a great earthquake:  
“Blessed be the glory of the LORD from its place!”

It was the sound of the wings of the living creatures  
as they touched one another,  
and the sound of the wheels beside them,  
and the sound of a great earthquake.

Ezekiel 3:14-15

The Spirit lifted me up and took me away,  
and I went in bitterness in the heat of my spirit,  
the hand of the LORD being strong upon me.

And I came to the exiles at Tel-abib,  
who were dwelling by the Chebar canal,  
and I sat where they were dwelling.

And I sat there overwhelmed among them  
seven days.

Ezekiel 3:16-17

And at the end of seven days,  
the word of the LORD came to me:

“Son of man, I have made you  
a watchman for the house of Israel.  
Whenever you hear a word from my mouth,  
you shall give them warning from me.”

Ezekiel 3:18-19

“If I say to the wicked, ‘You shall surely die,’  
and you give him no warning,  
nor speak to warn the wicked from his wicked way,  
in order to save his life,  
that wicked person shall die for his iniquity,  
but his blood I will require at your hand.

“But if you warn the wicked,  
and he does not turn from his wickedness,  
or from his wicked way,  
he shall die for his iniquity,  
but you will have delivered your soul.”

Ezekiel 3:20-21

“Again, if a righteous person turns from his righteousness and commits injustice, and I lay a stumbling block before him, he shall die. Because you have not warned him, he shall die for his sin, and his righteous deeds that he has done shall not be remembered, but his blood I will require at your hand.

“But if you warn the righteous person not to sin, and he does not sin, he shall surely live, because he took warning, and you will have delivered your soul.”

Ezekiel 3:22-23

And the hand of the LORD was upon me there.  
And he said to me, “Arise, go out into the valley,  
and there I will speak with you.”

So I arose and went out into the valley,  
and behold, the glory of the LORD stood there,  
like the glory that I had seen by the Chebar canal,  
and I fell on my face.

Ezekiel 3:24-25

But the Spirit entered into me  
and set me on my feet,  
and he spoke with me and said to me,

“Go, shut yourself within your house.  
And you, O son of man, behold,  
cords will be placed upon you,  
and you shall be bound with them,  
so that you cannot go out  
among the people.”

Ezekiel 3:26

“And I will make your tongue cling  
to the roof of your mouth,  
so that you shall be mute  
and unable to reprove them,  
for they are a rebellious house.”

Ezekiel 3:27

“But when I speak with you,  
I will open your mouth,  
and you shall say to them,  
‘Thus says the Lord GOD.’

“He who will hear, let him hear;  
and he who will refuse to hear,  
let him refuse,  
for they are a rebellious house.”

Ezekiel 9:3-4

Now the glory of the God of Israel had gone up  
from the cherub on which it rested  
to the threshold of the house.

And he called to the man clothed in linen,  
who had the writing case at his waist.

And the LORD said to him,  
“Pass through the city, through Jerusalem,  
and put a mark on the foreheads of the men  
who sigh and groan over all the abominations  
that are committed in it.”

Ezekiel 10:3-4

Now the cherubim were standing  
on the south side of the house,  
when the man went in,  
and a cloud filled the inner court.

And the glory of the LORD went up  
from the cherub to the threshold of the house,  
and the house was filled with the cloud,  
and the court was filled with the brightness  
of the glory of the LORD.

Ezekiel 10:18-19

Then the glory of the LORD went out  
from the threshold of the house,  
and stood over the cherubim.

And the cherubim lifted up their wings  
and mounted up from the earth before my eyes  
as they went out, with the wheels beside them.

And they stood at the entrance of the east gate  
of the house of the LORD,  
and the glory of the God of Israel  
was over them.

Ezekiel 11:17-20

Therefore say, “Thus says the Lord GOD:  
I will gather you from the peoples  
and assemble you out of the countries  
where you have been scattered,  
and I will give you the land of Israel.  
And when they come there,  
they will remove from it all its detestable things  
and all its abominations.”

Ezekiel 11:17-20

“And I will give them one heart,  
and a new spirit I will put within them.  
I will remove the heart of stone from their flesh  
and give them a heart of flesh,  
that they may walk in my statutes  
and keep my rules and obey them.

“And they shall be my people,  
and I will be their God.”

Ezekiel 11:21

“But as for those whose heart goes after  
their detestable things and their abominations,  
I will bring their deeds upon their own heads,  
declares the Lord GOD.”

Ezekiel 11:22-24

Then the cherubim lifted up their wings,  
with the wheels beside them,  
and the glory of the God of Israel was over them.

And the glory of the LORD went up from  
the midst of the city and stood on the mountain  
that is on the east side of the city.

And the Spirit lifted me up and brought me  
in the vision by the Spirit of God into Chaldea,  
to the exiles.  
Then the vision that I had seen went up from me.

Acts 17:31-31

The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.

And they shall be my people,  
and I will be their God.