

Kingdom of God Flashcards

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Part Four: The Period of Theocratic Decline

Chapter 41: God's Assurance of Blessing After Punishment

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<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>Tell about the author of the book of Ezeikel.</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>author = Ezekiel meaning of Ezekiel's name = "God strengthens" father = Buzi born = Judah under King Josiah taken in Babylonian captivity = 597 BC lived = Tel-abib by Chebar River received call at age 30 Ezekiel's contemporaries = Jeremiah & Daniel Ezekiel sent to His people in captivity</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>How is Ezekiel's style distinctive?</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>1) symbolism = uses more than other prophets contains many visions</p> <p>3) giving message = message emphasized adding authority to Ezekiel's words</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>What is the purpose of Ezekiel?</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>1) Before Jerusalem's fall = False Optimism Ezekiel prophesied Jerusalem would be destroyed due to sin. God is righteous.</p> <p>2) After Jerusalem fell = False Pessimism = Ezekiel's message changed giving God's message of hope and restoration.</p>

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<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>Describe how Ezekiel's call was symbolized?</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>great cloud with four living creatures, cherubim, & two wheels coming out of it.</p> <p>All preparation for Jehovah's appearance.</p> <p>Ezekiel falls on his face before God. God tells Ezekiel his task will not be easy.</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>What happens seven days after Ezekiel receives his call?</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>God appears to Ezekiel again explaining Ezekiel's solemn duty</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">— warn the wicked & tell them to repent— if Ezekiel does not warn the wicked, he will be responsible— if the wicked choose not to repent, the wicked will be responsible
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>Describe the symbolic actions performed by Ezekiel in Ezekiel 4 and 5.</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>1) God told Ezekiel to build Jerusalem on a tile showing war instruments. Meaning: Jerusalem would be besieged (Ezekiel 4)</p> <p>2) Ezekiel was to cut hair and divide it into 3 parts. One part was burned, the 2nd cut by sword & the 3rd scattered to winds (Ezekiel 5)</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>Why was Jerusalem to be destroyed?</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>1) idolatries & abominations practiced even in the Temple worse than Sodom in Abraham's time</p> <p>2) alliances with foreign nations</p> <p>3) tried to evade responsibility saying the problem was the sin of their fathers</p>

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<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>Why were prophecies made against the nations around Judah?</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>these nations hated God's people</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>What two places are especially singled out by Ezekiel?</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>Tyre and Egypt</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>Who have led God's people astray?</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>their shepherds — the kings & the priests</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>How will God solve the shepherd problem?</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>God promises to be the shepherd of Israel</p> <p>For thus saith the Lord Jehovah: Behold, I Myself, even I, will search for My sheep, and will seek them out ... And they shall know that I, Jehovah their God, am with them, and that they, the house of Israel, are My people, saith the Lord Jehovah. And ye My sheep, the sheep of My pasture, are men, and I am your God, saith the Lord Jehovah" (Ezekiel 34:11,30,31)</p>

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<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>Why was the vision of the valley of dry bones given?</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>given to encourage those that gave up hope</p> <p>God promises to breathe new life into His people</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>Explain the vision of the two sticks.</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>two sticks = Israel & Judah</p> <p>two sticks are miraculously joined together in Ezekiel's hand</p> <p>the two kingdoms will be one again</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>Explain Ezekiel 37:24.</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>Christ will reign on the throne of David which began at Pentecost.</p> <p>And My servant David shall be king over them; and they all shall have one Shepherd: they shall also walk in Mine ordinances, and observe My statutes, and do them. (Ezekiel 37:24)</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>Discuss Gog and Magog.</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>Gog & Magog symbolize nations against the renewed Israel. Satan always attacks the Church of God</p> <p>Gog & Magog will be destroyed by God</p>

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<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>Describe Ezekiel's new temple.</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>the new temple is a vision & not intended to be taken literally</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) larger than Solomon's temple & the temple rebuilt after the captivity2) there is no most holy place3) no ark of the covenant4) priests limited to the family of Zadok5) no mention of a high priest
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 41</p> <p>What lesson does the new temple teach?</p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>“Jehovah is there”</p> <p>God dwells in the hearts of His people</p> <p>Even though Jerusalem destroyed, God's people have the hope that He will dwell amongst them.</p>