

Walk Through the Bible

(Part 2 - Week 12)

Era #7 – Divided Kingdom

Summary of Ezekiel

Part 1	Chapters 1-24	The sin of Judah and the judgment of God
Part 2	Chapters 25-33	Punishment of the nations
Part 3	Chapters 33-39	God will bring His people back
Part 4	Chapters 40-48	The future Temple

Ezekiel told several parables to the captives to communicate spiritual truth:

- Chapter 15 – About the value of the wood from vines
- Chapter 16 – Compares Israel to an adulteress woman
- Chapter 17 – Story of 2 eagles
- Chapter 19 – A lioness and her cubs
- Chapter 23 – Story of 2 sisters
- Chapter 24 – A cooking pot

Ezekiel condemns judgment on 7 nations who mocked God because of the captivity

- Chapter 25 – Ammon – Moab – Edom – Philistia
- Chapters 26-28 – Tyre
- Chapter 28 – Sidon
- Chapters 29-31 - Egypt

Timeline

605 BC

- To avoid the destruction of Jerusalem, Jehoiakim changes allegiances from Egypt to Babylon
- Jehoiakim becomes Nebuchadnezzar's servant

602 BC

- Jehoiakim rebels and refuses to pay tribute to Babylon
- Nebuchadnezzar stops the rebellion
- Takes prisoners back to Babylon – Daniel and his 3 friends

597 BC

- Several nations rebel against Babylon
- Jehoiakim dies and his son Jehoiachin (18 years old) reigns
- Nebuchadnezzar besieged Jerusalem
- Jehoiachin surrenders
- Nebuchadnezzar takes:
 - All the treasures from the Temple
 - All the treasures from the King's palace
 - Officials, Mighty Men of Valor, 10,000 people & Ezekiel (priest)
 - Leaves the poorest people
- Installs Zedekiah as a "puppet king"
- Zedekiah rebels
- Nebuchadnezzar brings his army and lays siege to Jerusalem

586 BC

- Jerusalem falls
 - Burns the Temple, King's palace & all the houses
 - Broke down the walls around Jerusalem
 - Rest of people (except for the very poorest) taken into exile
- Gedaliah placed as Governor – killed 2 months later
- Remaining Jews fled to Egypt –
- Forced Jeremiah to go with them

