

Ezekiel Part 4, Week 1, Ezekiel 33-35

Prophecies about Israel's Restoration Week 1

Day 1 – Ezekiel 33-34 God will Restore the Jews if they will turn from sin

This week we will start a new section that will reveal the future blessings that will be given the nation of Israel. The blessing in this very first chapter of this section is very difficult to discern. So, I'm going to give it to you and I want you to let it flavor the way you read chapter 33. Future to Ezekiel's day, the blessing Israel will receive is restoration. God will require each of the Jews individually to be responsible to turn away from sin and live righteously in obedience to God.

The blessing on Israel in chapter 34 is also very difficult to perceive. The One True Shepherd gives this blessing to His True Sheep. This blessing is for provision, protection, relationship, love and attention. By knowing God's Name is with them always, then they can lie down in peace and safety.

Chapter 35 has a hidden blessing within its verses. God chooses to devote another chapter in Ezekiel to the judgment of Edom. Perhaps Edom is the prototype for all the nations who will or would act against Israel. By singling out Edom, God allows Israel to know His blessing of continued watchfulness. He will always be there for them and He will be actively aware and eager to punish those who would try and destroy her.

Please start your study this week with at least 10 minutes of concentrated prayer for God to open your mind concerning the blessings on Israel.

Now, just read Ezekiel 33-35.

Now, after you have read Ezekiel 33 and 35, go back and read these chapters word for word. Slow your reading down enough so that you are picking up the details as you go. Be on the alert for key words that we have already identified in the other weeks of study. However, do not mark them at this time.

Now, reread these two chapters with discernment. Tomorrow, we will begin marking chapter 33.

Day 2-4 – Chapters 33-35

Day 2 - Ezekiel 33 – Individual Responsibility will be key to Israel's Restoration

Please mark the following key repeated words in your own unique way for Ezekiel chapter 33:

the phrase: "the word of the LORD came to me saying," as before

the phrase: "thus says the Lord GOD," as before; include "declares the Lord GOD," as one marking as before

the phrase: "as I live," as before

the phrase: “then, they will know that I am the LORD,” as before
 all references to Ezekiel as before, including “Son of man”
 all references to God as before, including, “LORD;” “the way of the Lord,” also mark
 “Lord GOD,” as “Sovereign Lord,”
 all references to Israel and all pronouns as before, including “the sons of your people,”
 “the people,” “fellow citizens,” “house of Israel,” “each of you,” “their own way,”
 “the refugees from Jerusalem” “they who live in these waste places in the land of
 Israel,” “those who are in the waste places,” “whoever is in the open field,”
 “those who are in the strongholds and in the caves”
 all references to “watchman,” as before
 all references to the “sword,” as before
 all references to “blood,” as before
 all references to “sees,” or “seeing,” as before
 all references to “sin,” and “iniquity,” as before
 all references to “right,” “righteous,” “righteousness,” and all pronouns as before
 all references to “just,” “justice,” and all pronouns as before
 all references to “wicked,” wickedness,” and all pronouns as before
 all reference to repentance as one marking, i.e., “turn from his way,” “turn back,” “turns
 from his sin,” “restores a pledge,” “pays back”
 all references to “live” as one marking including “survive”
 all references to “die,” and “death,” as one marking
 all references to “warn,” “warns,” “warned,” “warning,” as one marking
 all references to “abominations,” and “idols,” as before

Mark all references to time in the left margin of the double-spaced worksheets, i.e.
 “then,” “now,” and “when,” “in the twelfth year of our exile, on the fifth of the tenth
 month,” “in the evening,” “in the morning,”

Mark the reference to the word “therefore” in some unique way in the left margin of the
 double-spaced worksheet. What is the “therefore,” there for in Ezekiel 33:25? What
 statement(s) precede the “therefore” that gives the reader understanding?

What confirmation of Ezekiel’s message came from Jerusalem according to Ezekiel
 33:21?

Why did Ezekiel’s mouth suddenly become open in the twelfth year of their exile in
 Babylon, on the fifth of the tenth month? See Ezekiel 33:21-22.

What made the land a desolation and a waste according to Ezekiel 33: 24-29?

Who were the two groups of people that Ezekiel addressed in Ezekiel 33:23-29 and Ezekiel 33:30-33?

Why did Ezekiel condemn the group of people who remained in Israel after Jerusalem's fall and who demanded (in a way from God) a quick return from the Babylonian captivity? See Ezekiel 33:23-29.

With whom did these people, left in the land, compare themselves? See Ezekiel 33:24. If Abraham, being one, had a right to the land, then why didn't those left in the land, the many, have that same right to the land? See Ezekiel 33:25-26. This is talking about the very, very few who were left in the land after the third siege on Jerusalem. There were some who remained; they thought they were the remnant.

What had this group of people who had been left in the land refused to see after Jerusalem's final fall?

What is the big difference between Abraham and these people left in the land? See Ezekiel 33:25-26 and also Genesis 15.

How did God explain through Ezekiel that Abraham was righteous and they were not? See Ezekiel 33:23-26.

What would eventually happen to those who were feeling smug about the fact they were still in the land? See Ezekiel 33:27-29.

Why did Ezekiel admonish the group of people who came to Ezekiel to listen to what he had to say in Ezekiel 33:30-33?

Why did this group of people come around to hear Ezekiel speak? Did they put the prophet's words into practice? Were their hearts ever penetrated with the word of God?

Why does God use the same language of individual responsibility in Ezekiel 33:1-20 as He has used two times before in Ezekiel's ministry? What does God want these people who are in captivity to do?

This is Ezekiel's second appointment as a watchman to the House of Israel (Ezekiel 33:7-9). The first time was in Ezekiel 3:16-27. This first appointment as a watchman was for a ministry of judgment on Jerusalem and Judah. This new appointment in Ezekiel 33:7-9 would be for a ministry of restoration in Israel. Both ministries emphasized individual responsibility.

What will be the key event for Jews individually in this restoration of Israel?

Please record the theme of chapter 33 on the individual worksheet for Ezekiel 33 and on the Ezekiel Theme Summary Chart in the Appendix.

Day 3 - Ezekiel 34 – The One True Shepherd will be the Key to True Israel's Rescue

Please mark the following key repeated words in your own unique way for Ezekiel chapter 34

the phrase: "thus says the Lord GOD," as before; include "declares the Lord GOD," as one marking as before

the phrase: "the word of the LORD came to me saying," as before

the phrase: "they will know that I am the LORD," as before

the phrase: "as I live," as before

the phrases: "tread down with your feet," "foul ... with your feet," as one marking

all references to Ezekiel as before, including "Son of man"

all references to God as before, including, "LORD;" "I AM the LORD," also mark "Lord GOD," as "Sovereign Lord"

all references to Israel and all pronouns as before, including "prey to the nations," "My people," "the house of Israel," "My sheep," "the sheep of My pasture," "you are men"

all references to the "shepherds of Israel," and all pronouns as before

all references to "sheep," "herd," or "flock(s)," and all pronouns the same, including "those who are sickly," "the diseased," "the broken," "the scattered," "the lost" "the lean sheep," etc.

all references to "the fat and strong," sheep and pronouns as compared to the "lean" sheep above

all references to "the peoples," as "the nations," "the countries," "the "world," as before

all references to "judge," and "judgment" as before

all references to "grazing ground," "rich pasture," "good pasture," "pastures," as one marking

all references to "the mountains of Israel," or the Mountain heights of Israel," "My hill," as you marked "mountain(s)" in the past

all references to water as one marking as before, including "streams," "clear waters," and "showers"

all references to “David,” as one marking including “one shepherd,” “My servant David,”
“their shepherd,” “prince among them,”
“woe,” as before
“covenant,” as before
“blessing”
“feed,”

Mark all references to time in the left margin of the double-spaced worksheets, i.e.
“then,” “in the day when,” “on a cloudy and gloomy day,” and “until.”

Mark the reference to the word “therefore” in some unique way in the left margin of the double-spaced worksheet. What is the “therefore,” there for in Ezekiel 34:7, 34:9, 34:20, 34:22? What statement(s) precede “therefore” that gives the reader understanding?

Who was Ezekiel to prophesy against in Ezekiel 34:1-6?

Who were the “shepherds of Israel?” See Ps 78:70-72, Isaiah 44:28, Isaiah 63:11, Jeremiah 23:1-4.

What can you infer from Ezekiel 34:1-10 on how the “shepherds of Israel” were to treat their flocks?

What three sins did these “shepherds of Israel” commit concerning their flock? See Ezekiel 34:1-6.

What judgment(s) did Ezekiel pronounce on these “shepherds of Israel?” See Ezekiel 34:7-10.

What happened to these shepherds’ positions of power in Ezekiel 34:7-10?

Who would come to the sheep’s rescue? See 34:11.

List how God will intervene for the sheep as the One True Shepherd according to Ezekiel 34:11-16? What will He do that the false shepherds failed to do?

Has God already done all of this for the nation of Israel or is this still sometime in Israel's future?

How will God judge the "fat" and "strong" sheep in Ezekiel 34:16-24? Cross-reference your study here with Matthew 25:31-46.

According to Ezekiel 34:18-19, what were the "fat" and "strong" sheep doing to the "lean sheep," that was horrifically bad? Note key phrases: "tread down with your feet," "foul ... with your feet."

How will God sort out the righteous from the unrighteous according to Ezekiel 34:17-21? This has something to do with the character of the wicked, unrighteous (fat) sheep portrayed here.

Who will God appoint as a new shepherd over His flock? See Ezekiel 34:23-24.

Is this King David or is this the Lord Jesus Christ? See Jeremiah 30:9, Ezekiel 37:24-25, Ezekiel 45:22, Ezekiel 46:4 and John 10:11-18.

Would the sinless Son of God offer sacrifices for sin in the Millennial Temple? See Ezekiel 45:22.

According to Ezekiel 34:25-31, what result will God's care have on Israel? How will this be manifested in the land?

Is peace even possible in Jerusalem today? Why or why not? See Ezekiel 34:25.

Why do we pray for the peace of Jerusalem if it is not possible in Israel's present political climate?

When will they know that He is the Lord? See Ezekiel 34:27.

Why will God restore Israel according to Ezekiel 34:31?

Please record the theme of chapter 34 on the individual worksheet for Ezekiel 34 and on the Ezekiel Theme Summary Chart in the Appendix.

Day 4 - Ezekiel 35 – God's Watchfulness will be Key to Israel's Survival and Well-being

Please mark the following key repeated words in your own unique way for Ezekiel chapter 35

the phrase: "thus says the Lord GOD," as before; include "declares the Lord GOD," as one marking as before

the phrase: "the word of the LORD came to me saying," as before

the phrase: "you will know that I am the LORD," as before

the phrase: "as I live," as before

the phrase: "I will stretch out My hand against," as before

the phrase: "I will," including "I Myself will," and "I, the LORD, will"

all references to Ezekiel as before, including "Son of man"

all references to Israel and all pronouns as before, including "the sons of Israel," "the house of Israel," "the mountains of Israel"

all references to "Edom," as before including "Mount Seir"

all references to God as before, including, "LORD;" "I AM the LORD," also mark "Lord GOD," as "Sovereign Lord"

all references to "desolate," "desolation," and "waste," "everlasting desolation," as before

all references to "bloodshed," as you marked anything to do with "blood," before

all references to "nations," "lands," "earth" and pronouns, as you marked "nations," before

"sword," and "slain," as before

Mark all references to time in the left margin of the double-spaced worksheets, i.e. "then," "the time of their calamity," and "the time of the punishment of the end"

Mark the reference to the word "therefore" in some unique way in the left margin of the double-spaced worksheet. What is the "therefore," there for in Ezekiel 35:6, and 35:11? What statement(s) precede "therefore" that gives the reader understanding?

Where are the divisions in this chapter 35? Hint: Each one of these sections' ends with "Then you will know that I am the LORD." Please draw lines between the different divisions.

Ezekiel 35:1-4

Where was Mount Seir located? And who were the people that belonged to this land? What was their relationship to Israel?

Why was God so determined to judge Edom? What had the Edomites done to Israel in the past?

What would God do to the Edomites in the near-future to Ezekiel's day?

This is the second time in Ezekiel that God has mentioned His judgment for Edom. Why would God devote another chapter specifically to this group of people? And why did He place it in this section of Ezekiel on the blessings of Israel?

Ezekiel 35:5-9

What was Edom's sin? See Ezekiel 25:1-7, Obadiah 10. Also, interpret Ezekiel 35:5 in light of these two other references.

How many times does God refer to bloodshed in Ezekiel 35: 6? What will happen to Edom because they have used bloodshed against Israel?

What will happen to Edom's cities, mountains, hills, valleys and ravines? See Ezekiel 35: 7-8.

Ezekiel 35:10-15

What is Edom's sin according to Ezekiel 35:10-11?

What was Edom trying to do with God's covenant with Israel concerning the land? Think on this one. Do not skip. Think on what Jacob (Israel) had stolen from Esau? How is God going to judge Edom according to Ezekiel 35:11?

What did Edom do when Israel had become desolate? See Ezekiel 35:15?

What will God do to Edom because she rejoiced over Israel's desolation? See Ezekiel 35:14-15.

Please record the theme of chapter 35 on the individual worksheet for Ezekiel 35 and on the Ezekiel Theme Summary Chart in the Appendix.

Day 5 - Personal reflection:

These questions are as much for me as they are for you:

What hope did Israel have after God's judgment and deportation to Babylon?

What hope do we have as Christians, even if we are judged as a nation?

Ezekiel 33

Why did the land of Judah/Jerusalem become desolate and a waste? See Ezekiel 33:29.

Why has the land of our nation become desolate and a waste? Is 2 Chronicles 7:14 for the nation of Israel only, or can it be applied to the United States, as well?

What role will repentance and individual responsibility play in our nation's restoration?

Will we be held responsible if we know the truth and yet do not warn others? Will others be judged for their sin if they never hear the warning?

What is our responsibility as a watchman? What are we to warn others about? Is our warning to others to be about their judgment for their sin? Or, should we warn them about something else?

Is the man or woman who teaches the word of God today required to get results? If not, for what is he/she responsible?

Is the man or woman who teaches the word of God today responsible to warn people properly?

Is it really God's delight to judge another? See Ezekiel 33:11. God wants to save people and He urges them to come back to Him and accept His ways for their lives.

Is Ezekiel 33:18 speaking about someone losing his or her salvation? If not, then what is God saying about one of his children when he or she sins?

Are Christians ever judged for their sins by physical death?

If a wicked man turns to God, will God save him?

Were godly men taken away from the land and into captivity?

There were godly men who were taken captive. Does this mean that God is unfair?

Were these godly people complaining about their situation in Ezekiel's day?

The people of Israel are identified with their nation just like you and I are identified with our nation. On an individual basis, do we deserve the wrath coming against the USA?

We are identified with our nation just like the Israelites. We will experience some of the wrath of judgment against our nation even if we do not individually deserve it. However, look what God says in Ezekiel 33:20. Does this not give you hope?

Will we be judged for our sins someday? Will we lose our salvation because of those sins?

Ezekiel 34

These are some hard questions I've had to ask myself.

Do our churches or even the para-church organizations have any right to ask for money to run their ministries when they do not give out the Word of God nor feed the sheep? Note: I'm not implying that our church does this. I simply want you to think about where you spend your money and how much you let people prey on you.

Have you ever criticized another church member for going someplace else (to another church) to be fed?

Sheep want to be fed and the only nourishing food that will satisfy them is the Word of God.

Explain the feeling that you had when you read this about God being Israel's Shepherd? Read Psalm 23:1.

How many times does God say “I will” in Ezekiel 34:11-29? What does this mean to you? Please read Matthew 11:28 and John 10:27-28.

According to John 10:27-28, why do we hear His voice?

According to Ezekiel 34:13, is God finished with Israel yet? How has your view of Israel changed in this study of Ezekiel? What still lies in store for her? How are you going to respond to the amillennial teachers/preachers out there?

According to Ezekiel 34:16, what will happen to the one lost sheep? How does this give you comfort?

What role will Christ play in our nation’s rescue?

Ezekiel 35

Will the Palestinians today receive the same judgment as Edom did for trying to usurp Israel’s title deed to the land? Remember, God had guaranteed this title deed of the land to Abraham’s descendants.

Is the judgment predicted on Edom prophetic of judgment on Russia and Iran when they come against Israel in the future to our day?

Just a thought, but I wonder if judgment has to be leveled on Russia, Iran, the Palestinians, and anyone else who would come against Israel in our day, before all Israel can be restored to their land and to their relationship with God. Like I said, I’m just thinking with paper and ink.

When the other nations of the world are judged in the future, God will judge them based on their treatment of Israel. What does this say about those who are in contention with Israel today and those who want to wipe her off the planet? See Matthew 25:31-46.

What role will God’s watchful eye on us play in our survival as a nation?

What role will God’s judgment on our nation play in our rescue and survival?

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Ezekiel Part 4

Chapter 33

Chapter Theme _____

33:1 And the word of the LORD came to me saying,

33:2 “Son of man, speak to the sons of your people, and say to them, If I bring a sword upon a land, and the people of the land take one man from among them and make him their watchman;

33:3 and he sees the sword coming upon the land, and he blows on the trumpet and warns the people,

33:4 then he who hears the sound of the trumpet and does not take warning, and a sword comes and takes him away, his blood will be on his own head.

33:5 He heard the sound of the trumpet, but did not take warning; his blood will be on himself. But had he taken warning, he would have delivered his life.

33:6 But if the watchman sees the sword coming and does not blow the trumpet, and the people are not warned, and a sword comes and takes a person from them, he is taken away in his iniquity; but his blood I will require from the watchman’s hand.

33:7 “Now as for you, son of man, I have appointed you a watchman for the house of Israel; so you will hear a message from My mouth, and give them warning from Me.

33:8 “When I say to the wicked, ‘O wicked man, you shall surely die,’ and you do not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity, but his blood I will require from your hand.

33:9 “But if you on your part warn a wicked man to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, he will die in his iniquity; but you have delivered your life.

33:10 “Now as for you, son of man, say to the house of Israel, ‘Thus you have spoken, saying, “Surely our transgressions and our sins are upon us, and we are rotting away in them; how then can we survive?”’

33:11 “Say to them, ‘As I live!’ declares the Lord GOD, ‘I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that the wicked turn from his way and live. Turn back, turn back from your evil ways! Why then will you die, O house of Israel?’

33:12 “And you, son of man, say to your fellow citizens, ‘The righteousness of a righteous man will not deliver him in the day of his transgression, and as for the wickedness of the wicked, he will not stumble because of it in the day when he turns from his wickedness; whereas a righteous man will not be able to live by his righteousness on the day when he commits sin.’

.33:13 “When I say to the righteous he will surely live, and he so trusts in his righteousness that he commits iniquity, none of his righteous deeds will be remembered; but in that same iniquity of his which he has committed he will die.

.33:14 “But when I say to the wicked, ‘You will surely die,’ and he turns from his sin and practices justice and righteousness,

.33:15 if a wicked man restores a pledge, pays back what he has taken by robbery, walks by the statutes which ensure life without committing iniquity, he will surely live; he shall not die.

.33:16 “None of his sins that he has committed will be remembered against him. He has practiced justice and righteousness; he will surely live.

33:17 “Yet your fellow citizens say, ‘The way of the Lord is not right,’ when it is their own way that is not right.

.33:18 “When the righteous turns from his righteousness and commits iniquity, then he shall die in it.

.33:19 “But when the wicked turns from his wickedness and practices justice and righteousness, he will live by them.

.33:20 “Yet you say, ‘The way of the Lord is not right.’ O house of Israel, I will judge each of you according to his ways.”

33:21 Now it came about in the twelfth year of our exile, on the fifth of the tenth month, that the refugees from Jerusalem came to me, saying, “The city has been taken.”

.33:22 Now the hand of the LORD had been upon me in the evening, before the refugees came. And He opened my mouth at the time they came to me in the morning; so my mouth was opened, and I was no longer speechless.

.33:23 Then the word of the LORD came to me saying,

.33:24 “Son of man, they who live in these waste places in the land of Israel are saying, ‘Abraham was only one, yet he possessed the land; so to us who are many the land has been given as a possession.’

.33:25 “Therefore, say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD, “You eat meat with the blood in it, lift up your eyes to your idols as you shed blood. Should you then possess the land?

.33:26 “You rely on your sword, you commit abominations, and each of you defiles his neighbor’s wife. Should you then possess the land?”’

.33:27 “Thus you shall say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD, “As I live, surely those who are in the waste places will fall by the sword, and whoever is in the open field I will give to the beasts to be devoured, and those who are in the strongholds and in the caves will die of pestilence.

.33:28 “And I shall make the land a desolation and a waste, and the pride of her power will cease; and the mountains of Israel will be desolate, so that no one will pass through.

.33:29 “Then they will know that I am the LORD, when I make the land a desolation and a waste because of all their abominations which they have committed.”

33:30 “But as for you, son of man, your fellow citizens who talk about you by the walls and in the doorways of the houses, speak to one another, each to his brother, saying, ‘Come now, and hear what the message is which comes forth from the LORD.’

.33:31 “And they come to you as people come, and sit before you as My people, and hear your words, but they do not do them, for they do the lustful desires expressed by their mouth, and their heart goes after their gain.

.33:32 “And behold, you are to them like a sensual song by one who has a beautiful voice and plays well on an instrument; for they hear your words, but they do not practice them.

.33:33 “So when it comes to pass — as surely it will — then they will know that a prophet has been in their midst.”

Chapter 34

Chapter Theme _____

34:1 Then the word of the LORD came to me saying,

34:2 “Son of man, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel. Prophesy and say to those shepherds, ‘Thus says the Lord GOD, “Woe, shepherds of Israel who have been feeding themselves! Should not the shepherds feed the flock?”

34:3 “You eat the fat and clothe yourselves with the wool, you slaughter the fat sheep without feeding the flock.

34:4 “Those who are sickly you have not strengthened, the diseased you have not healed, the broken you have not bound up, the scattered you have not brought back, nor have you sought for the lost; but with force and with severity you have dominated them.

34:5 “And they were scattered for lack of a shepherd, and they became food for every beast of the field and were scattered.

34:6 “My flock wandered through all the mountains and on every high hill, and My flock was scattered over all the surface of the earth; and there was no one to search or seek for them.””

34:7 Therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the LORD:

34:8 “As I live,” declares the Lord GOD, “surely because My flock has become a prey, My flock has even become food for all the beasts of the field for lack of a shepherd, and My

shepherds did not search for My flock, but rather the shepherds fed themselves and did not feed My flock;

34:9 therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the LORD:

34:10 ‘Thus says the Lord GOD, “Behold, I am against the shepherds, and I shall demand My sheep from them and make them cease from feeding sheep. So the shepherds will not feed themselves anymore, but I shall deliver My flock from their mouth, that they may not be food for them.”’”

34:11 For thus says the Lord GOD, “Behold, I Myself will search for My sheep and seek them out.

34:12 “As a shepherd cares for his herd in the day when he is among his scattered sheep, so I will care for My sheep and will deliver them from all the places to which they were scattered on a cloudy and gloomy day.

34:13 “And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries and bring them to their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the streams, and in all the inhabited places of the land.

34:14 “I will feed them in a good pasture, and their grazing ground will be on the mountain heights of Israel. There they will lie down in good grazing ground, and they will feed in rich pasture on the mountains of Israel.

34:15 “I will feed My flock and I will lead them to rest,” declares the Lord GOD.

34:16 “I will seek the lost, bring back the scattered, bind up the broken, and strengthen the sick; but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with judgment.

34:17 “And as for you, My flock, thus says the Lord GOD, ‘Behold, I will judge between one sheep and another, between the rams and the male goats.

34:18 ‘Is it too slight a thing for you that you should feed in the good pasture, that you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pastures? Or that you should drink of the clear waters, that you must foul the rest with your feet?’

34:19 ‘And as for My flock, they must eat what you tread down with your feet, and they must drink what you foul with your feet!’”

34:20 Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them, “Behold, I, even I, will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep.

34:21 “Because you push with side and with shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, until you have scattered them abroad,

34:22 therefore, I will deliver My flock, and they will no longer be a prey; and I will judge between one sheep and another.

34:23 “Then I will set over them one shepherd, My servant David, and he will feed them; he will feed them himself and be their shepherd.

34:24 “And I, the LORD, will be their God, and My servant David will be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

34:25 “And I will make a covenant of peace with them and eliminate harmful beasts from the land, so that they may live securely in the wilderness and sleep in the woods.

34:26 “And I will make them and the places around My hill a blessing. And I will cause showers to come down in their season; they will be showers of blessing.

34:27 “Also the tree of the field will yield its fruit, and the earth will yield its increase, and they will be secure on their land. Then they will know that I am the LORD, when I have broken the bars of their yoke and have delivered them from the hand of those who enslaved them.

34:28 “And they will no longer be a prey to the nations, and the beasts of the earth will not devour them; but they will live securely, and no one will make them afraid.

34:29 “And I will establish for them a renowned planting place, and they will not again be victims of famine in the land, and they will not endure the insults of the nations anymore.

34:30 “Then they will know that I, the LORD their God, am with them, and that they, the house of Israel, are My people,” declares the Lord GOD.

34:31 “As for you, My sheep, the sheep of My pasture, you are men, and I am your God,” declares the Lord GOD.

Chapter 35

Chapter Theme _____

35:1 Moreover, the word of the LORD came to me saying,

35:2 “Son of man, set your face against Mount Seir, and prophesy against it,

35:3 and say to it, Thus says the Lord GOD, “Behold, I am against you, Mount Seir, And I will stretch out My hand against you, And I will make you a desolation and a waste.

35:4 “I will lay waste your cities, And you will become a desolation. Then you will know that I am the LORD.

35:5 “Because you have had everlasting enmity and have delivered the sons of Israel to the power of the sword at the time of their calamity, at the time of the punishment of the end,

35:6 therefore, as I live, “declares the Lord GOD, “I will give you over to bloodshed, and bloodshed will pursue you; since you have not hated bloodshed, therefore bloodshed will pursue you.

35:7 “And I will make Mount Seir a waste and a desolation, and I will cut off from it the one who passes through and returns.

35:8 “And I will fill its mountains with its slain; on your hills and in your valleys and in all your ravines those slain by the sword will fall.

35:9 “I will make you an everlasting desolation, and your cities will not be inhabited. Then you will know that I am the LORD.

35:10 “Because you have said, ‘These two nations and these two lands will be mine, and we will possess them,’ although the LORD was there,

35:11 therefore, as I live,” declares the Lord GOD, “I will deal with you according to your anger and according to your envy which you showed because of your hatred against them; so I will make Myself known among them when I judge you.

35:12 “Then you will know that I, the LORD, have heard all your revilings which you have spoken against the mountains of Israel saying, ‘They are laid desolate; they are given to us for food.’

35:13 “And you have spoken arrogantly against Me and have multiplied your words against Me; I have heard.”

35:14 Thus says the Lord GOD, “As all the earth rejoices, I will make you a desolation.

35:15 “As you rejoiced over the inheritance of the house of Israel because it was desolate, so I will do to you. You will be a desolation, O Mount Seir, and all Edom, all of it. Then they will know that I am the LORD.”

Blessing for Israel - Ezekiel 33-35

<p style="text-align: center;">Ezekiel 33 Individual Responsibility will be key to Israel's Restoration</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Ezekiel 34 The One True Shepherd will be the key to Israel's Rescue</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Ezekiel 35 God's Watchfulness will be key to Israel's Survival</p>
<p>To the Unrighteousness: -to be considered righteous one must believe as Abraham believed - as evidenced by His obedience to God -to be restored one must turn from his wicked ways to God's righteous Law or ways refrain from eating meat with blood in it - dietary laws 33:25 refrain from worshipping idols & shedding blood 33:25 refrain from committing abominations 33:26 refrain from relying on the sword 33:26 refrain from defiling neighbors' wives 33:26</p> <p>To the Righteousness: -listen to God's Word 33:31 -do the words of God's Word 33:31 -repent, turn from lustful desires expressed by mouth 33:31 -turn hear away from personal gain 33:31 -practice the Word of God 33:32</p>	<p>He will deliver His flock from bad shepherds 34:10 He will search for His Sheep 34:11 He will be in their midst 34:12 He will care for His sheep 34:12 He will deliver His sheep from where they were scattered 34:12 He will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries into their own land 34:13 He will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by streams and in all inhabited places of the land 34:13 He will feed them in good pastures, on the their grazing ground on the mountain tops of Israel 34:14 He will make them lie down here (above) 34:14 He will feed His flock and lead them to rest 34:15 He will see the lost, bring back the scattered, bind up the broken, strengthen the sick 34:16 He will judge between one sheep and another, the fat (the shepherds of Israel) & the lean (God's flock), be tween rams & male goats 34:17 He will deliver His flock and they no longer will be prey 34:22 He will set over them one Shepherd - God's Servant David 34:23 He will be their God 34:24 He will make covenant of peace with them and eliminate harmful beasts from the land so that they may live securely in wilderness and sleep in woods 34:25 He will make them & places around God's hill a blessing 34:26 He will bring back the rain 34:26 He will cause trees to produce fruit, earth will yield its increase 34:27 He will make them secure in the land 34:27 He will deliver them from those who enslave them 34:27 He will no longer let them be prey to nations 34:28 nor will beasts of field devour them, but will live securely & no one will make them afraid 34:28 He will est'blsh a renowned planting place & they will never be victim to famine nor indure insults of nations 29</p>	<p>He is against those & will stretch out his hand against those who have enmity against Israel and have delivered Israel to the power of the sword at the time of their calamity (at the time of the punishment of the end): -He will make them a desolation and a waste - their cities also 35:1-5 -He will give them over to bloodshed and bloodshed shall pursue them; -He will cut off from it the one who passes thru and returns. -He will fill Edom's mountains, hills, valleys, ravines w/ all of Edom's slain. -He will make Edom an everlasting desolation & cities will not be inhabited 35:6-9 -He will cause their cities to become vacant</p> <p>He is against Edom because they have said these 2 nations & lands are theirs & will possess them -He will deal with them a.t. their anger, envy, hatred shown to Israel 35:11</p> <p>He is against Edom because they have reviled the mountains of Israel and spoken arrogantly against God and nave multiplied their words against God; also because they have rejoiced over the desolation of Israel 35:12-13 -He will make Edom a desolation 35:14 -He will rejoice over their desolation 35:15</p>