

Studies in the Book of Ezekiel

Lesson 8

Wednesday, September 21, 2016

Read Ezekiel 20-21

- Remember, this is a shortly (591 B.C.) before the destruction of Jerusalem.

The Corruption of Israel and The Grace of God (20:1-44)

Ezekiel speaks here of the past, present and future of God's dealings with His People.

God's Grace in the Past (20:5-29)

- What was Ezekiel to make the elders know? (20:4) _____

- How did God deal with his people in the past? _____

- How did they repay God's kindness and grace? _____

God's Plan for the Present (20:30-39)

- What is God's plan for the "present" (next few years) for His people? _____

- Why is God doing this? _____

God's Plan for the Future (20:40-44)

- What was God's plan for the future of His people? _____

- WHO was the "future"? _____
- What would "they" have to do? _____

Israel's Judgement (20:45-21:32)

Four brief parables depict the judgement to come against Israel at the hand of Nebuchadnezzar.

Parable of the Fire (20:45-21:5)

- What are the lessons taught in this parable? _____

- People may say of Ezekiel “he is just speaking parables”, but what is God’s purpose with the parables? (20:49-21:5) _____

Parable of the Sigh (21:6-7)

- What are the lessons taught in this parable? _____

Parable of the Sword (21:8-17)

- What are the lessons taught in this parable? _____

Parable of the Crossroads (21:18-27)

- What are the lessons taught in this parable? _____

Judgement Against Ammon (21:28-32)

- Why did God prophesy against Ammon? _____
- What did God say He would do to Ammon? _____

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

Looking at Chapters 20-21 as a whole...

- What words/phrases/concepts are repeated?

- What else in these chapters did you find interesting or important?

