

## End Times Prophecy

### **This Week:**

**Lesson:** Ezekiel

**Next Week:** Daniel

### **Who was Ezekiel:**

Ezekiel was a priest and prophet, author of the Book of Ezekiel, who ministered before and after the fall of Judah to the Babylonians. Ezekiel was carried into captivity in the second deportation overlapping the ministries of Jeremiah and Daniel

The majority of Ezekiel is concerned with warning Judah of the immediate judgment by the Babylonians. Ezekiel's end-time prophecies include the Day of the Lord, and the Millennial Kingdom.

<b>Ezekiel 37:1-10</b>	Vision of dry bones
<b>Ezekiel 37:11-14</b>	Vision of dry bones explained – Restoration
<b>Ezekiel 37:15-23</b>	Vision of two sticks – Israel and Judah to become one again
<b>Ezekiel 37:24-28</b>	Millennial Kingdom
<b>Ezekiel 38:17-23, 39:9-12</b>	Wrath of God
<b>Ezekiel 40:1-48:35</b>	The city, “The Lord is There”, and the OT style worship

### **Discussion:**

- **Discuss** the clear use of symbolism in Ezekiel's visions of dry bones and of the two sticks – and the components to be taken literally.
- **Discuss** the principle of Scripture explaining Scripture in regards to the vision of the dry bones.
- **Discuss** the unification of Israel after WWII (1948) in comparison with the unification promised in the vision of the two sticks. Is this prophecy now fulfilled, 2000+ years later?
- **Discuss** the promise that David would reign, versus prophecies that Jesus Christ would reign.
- **Discuss** The temple, and Levitical-style regulations for worship: OT, Millennial Kingdom, or eternal state? Ref. Revelation 21:22 (21:10-27) and The Expositor's Bible Commentary, Vol. 6, pp 943-945.

### **Question to the Class:**

Why would non-Jewish Christians care whether or not there is a Millennial Kingdom?