

Class #3 - Ezekiel's Call

Objectives:

- Describe the nature of the prophetic work to which God is calling Ezekiel.
- Explain the image of the watchman and how it correlates to Ezekiel's mission.
- Make proper connections from Ezekiel's call to our own call to evangelize.

Opening Discussion

What is Ezekiel's "goal" as a prophet? What is the measure of his "success"?

The Hard-Headed Prophet (Ezekiel 2:1 - 3:11)

- God sends Ezekiel to the people, and makes it clear that they are _____.
- If God already knows the outcome, what is the point of Ezekiel's preaching?
- Ezekiel eats the scroll filled with _____, and it tastes like _____. (?)
- The problem with the people is not that they can't _____ Ezekiel, but that they are _____ to listen.
- What is God giving Ezekiel to meet this challenge?

The Watchman of Israel (Ezekiel 3:12-27)

- What is Ezekiel's response to the combined vision (ch.1) and call (ch.2-3)?
- In an ancient city, the watchman has one job: to _____ the people of a coming danger. So, how will Ezekiel be judged as a prophet?
- Why is Ezekiel shut up in his house and made unable to speak?

Closing Discussion

What connections should we make from Ezekiel's call to our responsibility?