

# Week 44, One Year Bible Challenge: "Visions"

## Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study



The prophet Ezekiel cuts off his hair and beard and burns it. Ezekiel 5:1-4.

**This week's reading October 28 to November 3**[1. If you are participating in the Saturday morning class, "*The One Year Bible Challenge*," you should read the daily materials as set out in "*The One Year Bible*." The verses listed on this page will include a couple of extra days each week.]

Lamentations 1:1 to Ezekiel 11:25

Philemon 1:1 to Hebrews 6:20

Psalms 101:1 to 105:36

Proverbs 26:20 to 27:2

### **Next Week's Reading November 4-10**

Ezekiel 12:1 to Ezekiel 23:49

Hebrews 7:1 to Hebrews 10:39

Psalms 105:37 to 109:31

Proverbs 27:3 to 27:13

### **Discussion Questions:**

#### Old Testament

- Lamentations 2:5 says the LORD had become "like an

enemy.” Is this the same as God actually being the enemy of Israel? In any event, how did God’s chosen people get in this position?

- Lamentations 3:25 says, “The LORD is good to them that wait for him, to the soul that seeks him.” Can this verse still apply when we’re in a hurry? That is, when we don’t have time to wait? How do we “seek” God?
- Lamentations 5:1-18 describes some of the indignities suffered by Judah. Is “no respect shown to the elders” (v. 12) in the same class as the other items? Why is this item contained in this list?

### New Testament

- Hebrews 2:7 says that Jesus was “a little lower than angels.” Some commentators say the meaning here is that Christ—born as a man—was at that time inferior to angels. Do you agree with this interpretation?
- “Moses indeed was faithful in all his house as a servant... but Christ is faithful as a Son over his house” Hebrews 3:5-6. What is the difference between the Moses and Jesus?
- Is having a “heart of unbelief” really evil? Read Hebrews 3:12.

### FOOTNOTE:

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# **Week 46, One Year Bible Challenge: “Dry Bones”**

**Christ the Rock Community Church, Saturday Morning**

## Men's Bible Study

**This week's reading November 12-18**[1. If you are participating in the Saturday morning class, *"The One Year Bible Challenge,"* you should read the daily materials as set out in *"The One Year Bible."* The verses listed on this page will include a couple of extra days each week.]

Ezekiel 24:1 to 38:23

Hebrews 11:1 to James 2:17

Psalms 110:1 to 117:2

Proverbs 27:14 to 28:1

### Next Week's Reading November 19-25

Ezekiel 24:1 to 38:23

Hebrews 11:1 to James 2:17

Psalms 110:1 to 117:2

Proverbs 27:14 to 28:1

### Discussion Questions:



Ezekiel's Vision of the Valley of Dry Bones, from the Luther Bible

### Old Testament

- God said he would destroy Egypt because it was proud and arrogant. Ezekiel 31:10-15. Is pride and arrogance really that bad in the modern world? Why or why not?
- In Ezekiel 33:20, God says, "I will judge every one of

you after his ways.” Is this standard different than what is expressed in Ephesians 2:8-9?

- God told Ezekiel the people would listen to his words with no intention of doing what he said. What was the motive of the people? Were they just wasting their time? Read Ezekiel 33:30-33

### New Testament

- Is it possible to please God without having faith in him? Hebrews 11:6. Does this mean an unbeliever can never please God, even if the non-believer is otherwise a good person?
- Hebrews 12:6 says God loves those who he disciplines. Does this mean God disciplines every believer; or only those who deserve discipline?
- James 1:14 says, “But every man is tempted, when he is drawn away and enticed by his own lust.”<sup>1</sup> Has it been your experience that your temptation come from your own lust; or does temptation seem to just “come out of nowhere.”

### FOOTNOTE:

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# **Week 43, One Year Bible Challenge: “The Word of God”**

**Christ the Rock Community Church, Saturday Morning Men’s Bible Study**

**This week’s reading October 22-28**[1. If you are participating in the Saturday morning class, “*The One Year Bible Challenge*,” you should read the daily materials as set out in “*The One*

*Year Bible.*" The verses listed on this page will include a couple of extra days each week.]

Jeremiah 39:1 to 52:34

2 Timothy 1:1 to Titus 3:15

Psalms 90:1 to 100:5

Proverbs 26:1 to 26:19

### **Next Week's Reading October 29 to November 4**

Lamentations 1:1 to Ezekiel 11:25

Philemon 1:1 to Hebrews 6:20

Psalms 101:1 to 105:36

Proverbs 26:20 to 27:2

### **Discussion Questions:**

#### Old Testament

- Why did Jeremiah tell King Zedekiah he should surrender to the Babylonians? What did King Zedekiah do, and why? See Jeremiah 38:17-22.
- What was the fate of King Zedekiah? Jeremiah 39:6-8. Did this king get what he deserved? Jeremiah 37:1-2 and Jeremiah 52:1-3.
- Jeremiah prophesies terror for the people of Egypt (Jeremiah 46:5), Moab (Jeremiah 48:43-44), Ammon (Jeremiah 49:1-5), and Kedar and Hazor (Jeremiah 49:28-29). Is terror an appropriate consequence for these people? Why?

#### New Testament

- Why did Paul mention the mother and grandmother of Timothy? What is the significance of these two women? 2 Timothy 1:3-5.
- What does 2 Timothy 2:11 mean? "Faithful is the saying: For if we died with him, we shall also live with him."
- Why does Paul advise to avoid "foolish and ignorant discussions?" 2 Timothy 2:23. What type of discussion is he referring to? Has it been your experience this type of discussion causes trouble? If so, give some examples.

FOOTNOTE: