



The People of Prophecy

Ezekiel

37v 1-14

Part 1

Prophecy?

• What is Prophecy?

- ❑ Prediction, Foretelling, telling before time, predetermining the direction or course of events of the life of a person, a people or nation by the words of God.
- ❑ Prediction, is one of the functions of the prophet. It has been defined as a "miracle of knowledge, a declaration or description or representation of something future, beyond the power of human sagacity to foresee, discern, or conjecture." **Isiah 7v14; Micah 5v2 etc.**
- ❑ From the very first prophecy that ever fell from the mouth of the Almighty God--**Gen 3v15; 6v5-17; 12 v1-3, Hosea 12v13.**
- ❑ **We can ALTER the course of our lives by the prophetic Word of GOD!**

Background Story

- Book written by Prophet Ezekiel in Babylon to the Israelites, who though living in exile were still living in sin, idolatry, adultery, fornications and in complete rebellion to the Word of God.
- Doesn't that look familiar to many of us children of God and even unbelievers today?
- Many Christians are living in open and secret sins, idolatry, covetousness, adultery, fornications and in complete rebellion to the Word of God even when things get more worst, difficult, and life is unfulfilling... **Exo.23v2, Num.32v23**
- **Many Israelites thought they could live in disobedience and in sins cos they are in a strange land...**
- Written 622-600 BC. Started to get fulfilled in the Rebirth, return and national restoration.



- ❑ During the [World War II genocide](#), also known as the **Holocaust** and the **Shoah**, **over 6 Million Jews** were systematically murdered across German-occupied Europe by [Nazi Germany](#) and [its collaborators](#) between 1941 and 1945
- ❑ About two-thirds of Europe's Jewish population then.
- ❑ Israel was later declared a Nation in 1948 after millions of them were killed in the **Holocaust**. **Thus, a nation was born or rebirthed in ONE day!**
Is66v8-13
- ❑ **The words of the LORD came to pass about 2,570 years after Ezekiel prophesied it!**

Interlude

- Video

Key Lessons from The Text

☐ Ezekiel being a priest and a prophet was shocked to the bone marrow when God brought him to this valley with massive dry, dead and stinking bones.***prl

☐ **V2a. He caused me to pass by them all round...why?**
2Cor.13v5; Ps 26v2.

--Accountability, Personal examination, and complete audit of the one's entire life: spiritually, financially, physically, maritally, etc.

☐ **V2b. Very many in the open valley...very dry...*****prl

- The lives represented by these **bones** were not only dead; they were also disgraced. In the thinking of ancient Israel (and the ancient near east), an unburied corpse with exposed remains was a shocking disgrace to the dead. These **bones** were obviously denied proper burial.
- The bones were VERY Dry!--signifying decades, too long a time in such situations. Abraham, widow with the issues of blood.
- NB: It is bad enough for the prophet and all of us to see dead bones here, the worst is that they are very dry!--Lazarus was dead but with fresh bones though stinking! A total Hopeless and seemingly impossible situation. Hence V3, Luk.1v37
- ---What is that Hopeless and seemingly impossible [situation.in](#) your life which may have been there for decades?
- ---Never lose Hope and faith in what God can do No matter what...

☐ **V3. Son of man, can these bones live?**

--When God asks you a question..(Self-awareness, realization or acknowledgement)

☐ **V4-6. Prophecy to these bones...**

--Often times, God's solution to those age-long, dead and hopeless situations appear too simply to believe and act on! Naaman, Man at the pool of Bethesda.

☐ **V5-6:**

--God always declare prophetically the ends from the beginning; then backs-up and start the process in our lives. Restorations, healing, favor, etc.

☐ **V7a. So I prophesied as I was commanded... Heb.13v2-3**

--Why did God need Ezekiel to prophesy before He brought those dead bones to life when He spoke the whole world into existence?

--Principle of man's participation in recreating, restoring our lives, impossible circumstances, and destiny. (By Prophecies and Prayers).

V7b. So as I prophesied...

--Noise

--Sudden rattling...

--Bones finding its own bones and coming together!

V8. So as I looked...Zech.4v6

--Sinews(tendons/muscles), flesh and skin covered them.

--But there was no BREATH in them!

--Our best efforts can only bring dry bones to dead bodies; only the breath(Spirit) of God.

☐ **V9...come on these “slain” that they may live. Eph 2v12-13**

--slain connote violent death

--This picture was that of Israel and everyone who has not met Jesus and backsliders; dead in sins and trespasses.

--A Nation or person once in the grace and favor of God; dead bcos of sins and now being brought back into life eternal and a relationship with Him.

☐ **V10a. So I prophesied as I was commanded...**

--Second time he was prophesying...

--Repetition, Tenacity, make up your mind Never to give up on God nor believing His Word..

☐ V10b. ...Stood upon their feet, an exceeding great Army!

---God can bring any dead, dry, hopeless and impossible situations backs to life, better, bigger, greater than all human power, wisdom and understanding.

--Great Army—Militants not civilian.

--Whatever miracles, restoration back to life, salvation is to be a militant in prayers; is to fight, soul-winning, its for service not to sit down!

Two Major Types of Calendar

- There are about 40 types of calendars in used today around the world!
- Jewish, Roma, Hindus, Islamic, Chinese, Gregorian etc.
- Jewish calendar and Gregorian calendar that determine our lives and matter in God's timing, agenda and destiny of the World and all God's children.
 - **Where we are Now—Academic Year 2020-2021; Jewish Year 5781**
- **Rosh Hashanah** is observed on the first day of the month of *Tishrei* on the Hebrew calendar, which falls in September or October on the Gregorian calendar commonly used throughout the world.
 - This year, Rosh Hashanah begins at sunset on Friday, Sept. 18, and ends at sunset on Sunday, Sept. 20.
- **Rosh Hashanah is thus the Jewish New Year and has a serious implications for us...**

Israel-God's Prophetic Time Clock



- If you want to know what God will do prophetically anytime and in this last days, pay a close attention to Israel.
- Study the time and seasons, prophetic words about Israel and the church.
- Remember EVERYTHING (Bible, R, savior, Salvation) came to us and the entire mankind through Israel and Abrahamic and other related covenants.
- All their holidays, feast and culture, promises etc. are types and realities in the New Covenant in Christ Jesus.

Two (2) Kinds of Prophecies

1. Spoken

--As we see all over the scriptures and this book of Ezekiel.

2. Written. 2 Pet.1v16-21

--The surest, most dependable and reliable!

Conclusion and Prophecies

- Song by Lauren Diego.
- **Conclusion.**
- Prophecy... I prophecy as I was commanded
- What do you desire in 2021??? Prophecy!!!

1. I Prophecy life over myself and every members of your family, this church.
2. Prophecy health, wealth, success, prosperity, favors, open doors the remaining 2020 and all thru 2021—Phil.4v19; 2Cor.9v8.
3. Rom.8v28; In the name of Jesus, all things work together for me from now...
4. Phil.4v19: My god shall supply all my needs now, in 2021 and forever! I refuse to walk in lack; I walk in supper abundance wealth...
 - : Everything that is dead in my life, spiritually, financially, maritally, my dreams, hopes, my destiny, ministry, academically...Receive the new Life, power and fire of God in Jesus name!
 - **xxxxHeb.13v2-3**
 - xxx Call forth what you want to see in every area of your life the remaining days of 2020 and in 2021! Rom.4v17
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