Ezekiel 3:1-27

- I. Ezekiel's personal instruction continued. vv1-11
 - A. Ezekiel having seen the book is now commanded to eat it. vv1-3
 - 1. He is to eat and speak.
 - a. God supplies the message.
 - b. The prophet is responsible to declare it.
 - 2. Ezekiel obeyed. v2
 - 3. Upon eating the book, it was sweet in his mouth.
 - B. Ezekiel is sent to the Jews, not the gentiles. vv4-6
 - 1. He is to speak God's Word to them.
 - 2. He is not sent to those who cannot understand.
 - 3. Strangers would have understood.
 - C. Ezekiel is commanded to speak God's word unto them. vv10-11
 - 1. He is to receive the word into his heart and hear it with his ear.
 - 2. He is to speak regardless of their response.
- II. Ezekiel is put among the captives. vv12-21
 - A. The Glory of the Lord appears to him again. vv12-15
 - B. He sat where they sat. v16
 - C. Ezekiel is set a watchman. vv17-21
 - 1. Man is accountable for sin.
 - 2. The Prophet is accountable for his office.
- III. Ezekiel is commanded to go to the plain. vv22-27
 - A. God speaks to him.
 - B. Ezekiel is warned of persecution. v25
 - C. Ezekiel is dumb until God speaks.
 - 1. Man has no message until God speaks.
 - 2. When God speaks, man is to speak.