

Ezekiel 2:1-10 **Ezekiel Sent To Speak To Rebellious People**

Ezekiel Called to Be a Prophet

1 And He said to me, "Son of man, stand on your feet, and I will speak to you."

2 Then the Spirit entered me when He spoke to me, and set me on my feet; and I heard Him who spoke to me.

3 And He said to me: "Son of man, I am sending you to the children of Israel, to a rebellious nation that has rebelled against Me; they and their fathers have transgressed against Me to this very day.

4 For they are impudent and stubborn children. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, 'Thus says Adoney Yahweh (the Lord God).'

5 As for them, whether they hear or whether they refuse — for they are a rebellious house — yet they will know that a prophet has been among them.

6 "And you, son of man, do not be afraid of them nor be afraid of their words, though briars and thorns are with you and you dwell among scorpions; do not be afraid of their words or dismayed by their looks, though they are a rebellious house.

7 You shall speak My words to them, whether they hear or whether they refuse, for they are rebellious.

8 But you, son of man, hear what I say to you. Do not be rebellious like that rebellious house; open your mouth and eat what I give you."

9 Now when I looked, there was a hand stretched out to me; and behold, a scroll of a book was in it.

10 Then He spread it before me; and there was writing on the inside and on the outside, and written on it were lamentations and mourning and woe.

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◇ Ezekiel and Jeremiah both served at the same time. Ezekiel was a priest carried to

Babylon early while Jeremiah was a priest still in Jerusalem. [\[Jeremiah 1:17-19, Ezekiel 2:1-8\]](#)

◇ Both of them were sent to bring the Word of God to the rebellious people of Israel.

◇ Yahweh kept them both alive when the people they were sent to sought to kill them.

◇ The prophet was to proclaim the Word of God faithfully and the people were free to believe the message or refuse it as they had throughout the history of Israel and Judah.

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- ✧ Though the people were extremely hostile toward the Word of God, still Yahweh commanded them to not fear but faithfully proclaim His Word, and promised to be with His prophets and protect their lives from violent attacks.
- ✧ The people are responsible for their choices to believe or reject the messages.
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- ✧ For a prophet to faithfully share the Word of God he must first internalize it.
- ✧ The messages of the scroll were expressions of lamentations, mourning and woes to warn the people of coming disasters against their people