

# Ezekiel 9-39

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## PRAYER BEFORE READING THE BIBLE

SHINE within my heart, Loving Master, the pure light of Your Divine knowledge, and open the eyes of my mind that I may understand Your teaching. Instill in me reverence for Your commandments, so that having conquered my sinful desires, I may pursue a spiritual way of life, thinking and doing all those things that are pleasing in Your sight. For You, Christ our God, are my light and my life, and to You we render glory together with Your Eternal Father ✠ and Your All-Holy Spirit, now and always, and forever and ever. Amen.

+ O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise.

# **Chapter 1**

## **The Lord Leaves Jerusalem**

**605 B.C.**

**597 B.C.**

**587 B.C.**

## God Leaves Jerusalem (Ezekiel 11:22-23)

Then the cherubim lifted up their wings, with the wheels beside them, and the glory of the God of Israel was above them. **And the glory of the Lord ascended from the middle of the city and stopped on the mountain east of the city.**





## God Leaves Jerusalem (Ezekiel 11:24-25)

The spirit lifted me up and brought me in a vision by the spirit of God **into Chaldea, to the exiles.** Then the vision that I had seen left me. And I told the exiles all the things that the Lord had shown me.

# **Chapter 2**

## **The Mark of the Chosen**

## Ezekiel 9:1

Then he cried in my hearing with a loud voice, saying, “**Draw near, you executioners of the city,** each with his destroying weapon in his hand.”

## Ezekiel 9:2

And six men came from the direction of the upper gate, which faces north, each with his weapon for slaughter in his hand; **among them was a man clothed in linen with a writing case at his side.**

Ezekiel 9:3

The Lord called to the  
man clothed in linen who  
had the writing case **at his  
side**

## Ezekiel 9:4

...and said to him, “Go through the city, through Jerusalem, and **put a mark on the foreheads** of those who sigh and groan over all the abominations that are committed in it.”

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## Ezekiel 9:5

To the others he said in my hearing, “**Pass through the city after him and kill; your eye shall not spare, and you shall show no pity.**”

Ezekiel 9:7

Then he said to them,  
“**Go!**” So they went out  
and killed in the city.

## Ezekiel 9:8

While they were killing and I was left alone, I fell prostrate on my face and cried out, "Ah Lord God! **Will you destroy** all who remain of Israel as you pour out your wrath upon Jerusalem?"

## Ezekiel 11:16

Therefore say: Thus says the Lord God:  
Though I removed them far away among  
the nations and though I scattered them  
among the countries, **yet I have been a  
sanctuary to them for a little while in  
the countries where they have gone.**

## **Ezekiel 11:17**

Therefore say: Thus says the Lord God: **I will gather you from the peoples** and assemble you out of the countries where you have been scattered, and I will give you the land of Israel.

**Ezekiel 11:18**

When they come there, they  
will **remove from it all its  
detestable things** and all its  
abominations.

**Ezekiel 11:19**

I will give them one heart and  
put a new spirit within them; I  
will **remove the heart of stone**  
**from their flesh and give them**  
**a heart of flesh...**

**Ezekiel 11:20**

...so that they may follow my statutes and keep my ordinances and obey them.

**Then they shall be my people, and I will be their God.**



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## 2 Corinthians 3:2-3

You yourselves are our letter of recommendation, written on your hearts, to be known and read by all men; and you show that you are a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, **not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts.**

## **Mere Christianity**

What God creates is not God; just as what man makes is not man. That is why men are not Sons of God in the sense that Christ is. They may be like God in certain ways, but they are not things of the same kind.

**They are more like statues or pictures of God.**

## Mere Christianity

A statue has the shape of a man but it is not alive. In the same way, man has the “shape” or likeness of God, **but he has not got the kind of life God has.**

## Mere Christianity

A man who changed from having *Bios* [biological life] to having *Zoe* [divine life] would have gone through as big a change **as a statue which changed from being a carved stone to being a real man.**

## Mere Christianity

**And that is precisely what Christianity is about.** This world is a great sculptor's shop. We are the statues and there is a rumour going round the shop that **some of us are some day going to come to life.**



Gregory the Great (Hom. 32. in Ev). *Catena* on Luke 9:23–27

[We pick up our cross]... either  
when the body is afflicted  
through abstinence, or **the  
mind touched by sympathy.**



# **Chapter 3**

## **The Unfaithful Queen**



## Ezekiel 16:1–3

Thus says the Lord God to  
Jerusalem: Your origin and your  
birth were in the land of the  
Canaanites; **your father was an  
Amorite and your mother a Hittite.**

## **Exodus 13:5**

And when the Lord brings you into the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Hivites, and the Jeb'usites, which he swore to your fathers to give you, a land flowing with milk and honey,

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## Deuteronomy 26:5–6

**A wandering Aramean was my father**; and he went down into Egypt and sojourned there, few in number; and there he became a nation, great, mighty, and populous. And the Egyptians treated us harshly, and afflicted us, and laid upon us hard bondage.

## Ezekiel 16:4

As for your birth, on the day you were born your navel cord was not cut, **nor were you washed with water to cleanse you**, nor rubbed with salt, nor wrapped in cloths.

## Ezekiel 16:5

No eye pitied you to do any of these things for you out of compassion for you, but you were thrown out in the open field, **for you were abhorred on the day you were born.**



**Luke 10:30**

“A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, **leaving him half dead.**”



## **Catena Aurea on Luke 10**

AUGUSTINE: For that man is taken for Adam himself, **representing the race of man**; Jerusalem, the city of peace, that heavenly country, from the bliss of which he fell.

BASIL; **This interpretation corresponds to the places, if any one will examine them.** For Jericho lies in the low parts of Palestine, Jerusalem is seated on an eminence, occupying the crest of a mountain.

## Ezekiel 16:8

I passed by you again and looked on you; you were at the age for love. I spread the edge of my cloak over you and covered your nakedness: **I pledged myself to you and entered into a covenant with you,** says the Lord God, and you became mine.

## Ezekiel 16:9-10

Then I **bathed you with water and washed off the blood from you and anointed you with oil.** I clothed you with embroidered cloth and with sandals of fine leather; I bound you in fine linen and covered you with rich fabric.

## Luke 10:34

But a Samaritan... went to him and bound up his wounds, **pouring on oil and wine**; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him.

## Romans 1:16

For I am not ashamed of the gospel: it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who has faith, **to the Jew first and also to the Greek.**

## Ezekiel 16:11-12

I adorned you with ornaments: I put bracelets on your arms, a chain on your neck, a ring on your nose, earrings in your ears, and **a beautiful crown upon your head.**

## **Ezekiel 16:13**

You were adorned with gold and silver, while your clothing was of fine linen, rich fabric, and embroidered cloth. You had choice flour and honey and oil for food. **You grew exceedingly beautiful, fit to be a queen.**

## Ezekiel 16:14

Your **fame** spread among the nations on account of your beauty, for **it was perfect because of my splendor that I had bestowed on you**, says the Lord God.



## Psalm 45:13-14

The princess is decked in her chamber with **gold-woven robes**; in **many-colored robes** she is led to the king, with her virgin companions, her escort, in her train.

## Psalm 45:16-17

Instead of your fathers shall be your sons; you will make them princes in all the earth. **I will cause your name to be celebrated in all generations; therefore the peoples will praise you for ever and ever.**

## **Luke 1:46-49**

My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior, for he has regarded the low estate of his handmaiden.

For behold, **henceforth all generations will call me blessed;** for he who is mighty has done great things for me...



## Luke 11:27-28

As he said this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him,  
**“Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts that you sucked!”** But he said, **“Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!”**

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**Luke 11:28**

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**Ezekiel 16:15**

**But you trusted in your beauty  
and prostituted yourself**  
because of your fame and  
lavished your prostitutions on  
any passer-by.

## Ezekiel 16:16

You took some of your garments and made for yourself colorful high places and on them prostituted yourself; **nothing like this has ever been or ever shall be.**

## **Ezekiel 16:17**

You also took your beautiful jewels of **my gold and my silver that I had given you** and made for yourself male images and with them prostituted yourself, and you took your embroidered garments to cover them and set my oil and my incense before them.

## Ezekiel 16:19

Also my bread that I gave you—I fed you **with choice flour and oil and honey**—you set it before them as a pleasing odor, and so it was, says the Lord God.

## ***Story of a Soul - St. Therese***

As I was so impetuous, this was a very dangerous moment in my life; **but God had fulfilled in me that prophecy in Ezekiel:**

"Behold thy time was the time of lovers: and I spread My garment over thee... Thou didst eat fine flour and honey and oil and wast made exceedingly beautiful and wast advanced to be a queen." (Ezech. 16:8,9,13).

## ***Story of a Soul - St. Therese***

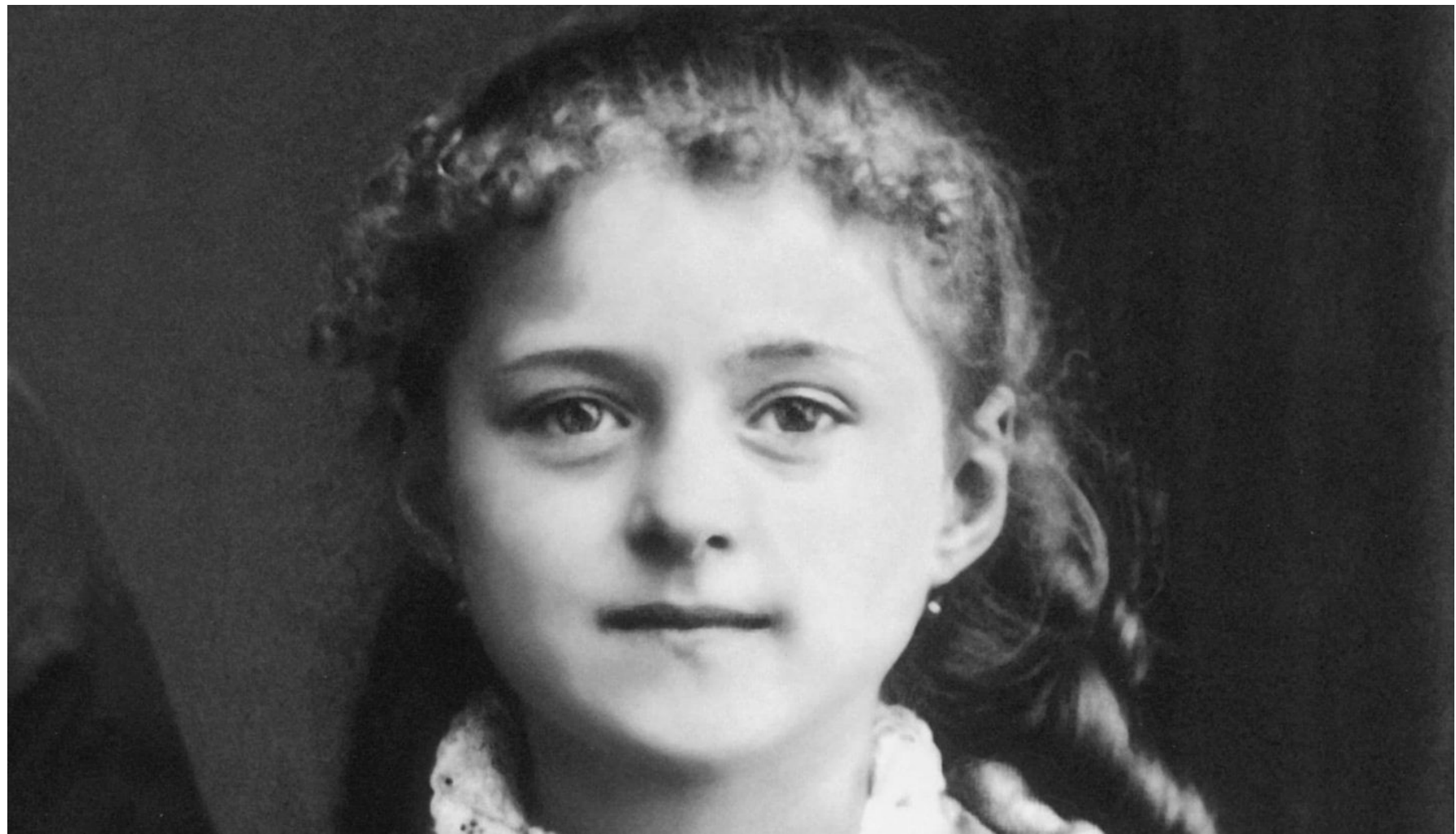
This is just what Jesus has done for me, and **I could apply every single word to myself**, but as the favors I have already told you about are proof enough, I am only going to tell you about the abundant food our Master set before me.

## ***Story of a Soul* - St. Therese**

My spiritual life up to now had been nourished by the "**fine flour**" of *The Imitation* and it was the only book which did me any good, because I had not yet discovered the hidden treasures of the Gospels.

## *Story of a Soul* - St. Therese

Such graces were not barren. The practice of virtue became attractive and seemed to come more naturally. **At first, my face often betrayed my inward struggle, but little by little, sacrifice, even at the first moment, became easier.**



## **Ezekiel 16:20-21**

You took your sons and your daughters, whom you had borne to me, and these you sacrificed to them to be devoured. **You slaughtered my children and delivered them up as an offering to them.**

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## Exodus 22:25

“If you lend money to any of **my people**, the poor, you shall not be to him as a creditor, and you shall not exact interest from him.

## Jeremiah 7:31-32

And they have built the high place of To'pheth, which is in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to **burn their sons and their daughters in the fire;** which I did not command, nor did it come into my mind.

## Jeremiah 7:31-32

Therefore, behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when it will no more be called To'pheth, or the valley of the son of Hinnom, **but the valley of Slaughter:** for they will bury in To'pheth, because there is no room elsewhere.



## Ezekiel 16:22

And in all your abominations and your prostitutions you did not remember the days of your youth, **when you were naked and bare, flailing about in your blood.**



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## Chapter 16:26. 28-29

You prostituted yourself with the **Egyptians**, your lustful neighbors... with the **Assyrians** because you were insatiable... You multiplied your prostitution with **Chaldea**, the land of merchants.

**Ezekiel 16:30**

**How sick is your heart**, says  
the Lord God, that you did  
all these things, the deeds  
of a brazen prostitute...

**Song of Songs 2:5**

Sustain me with raisins;  
refresh me with apples,  
**for I am sick with love.**

## Ezekiel 16:32-33

Adulterous wife who receives strangers instead of her husband! Gifts are given to all prostitutes, **but you gave your gifts to all your lovers**, bribing them to come to you from all around for your prostitutions.

Hosea 2:14

Therefore, behold, **I will allure her**, and bring her into the wilderness, and **speak tenderly** to her.

Hosea 2:14

...and speak tenderly to her

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# Chapter 4

## The Cedar



## Ezekiel 17:22

I will break off **a tender shoot**  
from the topmost of the young  
twigs of a cedar;

I myself will transplant it  
on a high and lofty mountain.

Therese of Lisieux, *Story of a Soul*

**This flower**, in telling her story, is happy to make known all the gifts that Jesus has given her.

**Therese of Lisieux**, *Story of a Soul*

It was He who caused her to be  
**born on soil which had been  
abundantly blessed**, where  
eight radiant lilies already  
bloomed...

**Therese of Lisieux**, *Story of a Soul*

...and her petals were scarcely  
open **when He transplanted**  
**her to the mountain of**  
**Carmel**, to Mary's garden of  
delight.

## Ezekiel 17:23

On the mountain height of Israel  
I will transplant it,  
and it will produce boughs and  
bear fruit and **become a noble  
cedar.**

**Ezekiel 17:23**

Under it **every kind of bird** will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind.

**Mark 4:31**

It is like **a grain of mustard seed**, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth...

**Mark 4:32**

...yet when it is sown it grows up  
and becomes the greatest of all  
shrubs, and puts forth large  
branches, **so that the birds of the  
air can make nests in its shade.**"



## **Theophylact on Mark 4:32**

...the preaching of it has been spread far and wide over the earth, and increased so, that the birds of heaven, that is, **contemplative men**, sublime in understanding and knowledge, dwell under it. For how many wise men among the Gentiles, quitting their wisdom, have found rest in the preaching of the Gospel!

**Ezekiel 17:24**

All the trees of the field shall  
know that I am the Lord.

I bring low the high tree;

**I make high the low tree.**



# **Chapter 5**

## **On Justice**



## Ezekiel 18:2-3

The word of the Lord came to me:  
What do you mean by repeating this  
proverb concerning the land of Israel,  
**“The parents have eaten sour  
grapes, and the children’s teeth are  
set on edge”?**

## Ezekiel 18:3-4

As I live, says the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: **it is only the person who sins who shall die.**

## Exodus 34:7

...keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children and the children's children, **to the third and the fourth generation.**

## **John 9:1-3**

As he walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “**Neither this man nor his parents sinned;** he was born blind so that God’s works might be revealed in him.

**Ezekiel 14:12-13**

The word of the Lord  
came to me: **Mortal**, when  
a land sins against me by  
acting faithlessly...

**Ezekiel 14:14-15**

**...even if Noah, Daniel, and Job,**  
these three, were in it, they  
would save only their own lives  
by their righteousness, says the  
Lord God.

## Genesis 18:32-33

Then he said, “Oh let not the Lord be angry, and I will speak again but this once. Suppose ten are found there.”

He answered, **“For the sake of ten I will not destroy it.”** And the Lord went his way...

## Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ; **it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me;** and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

## Ezekiel 18:20

The person who sins shall die. A child shall not suffer for the iniquity of a parent nor a parent suffer for the iniquity of a child; **the righteousness of the righteous shall be their own**, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be their own.

## Ezekiel 18:21

But if the wicked turn away from all their sins that they have committed and keep all my statutes and do what is lawful and right, **they shall surely live**; they shall not die.

**Ezekiel 18:22**

**None of the transgressions** that they have committed shall be remembered against them, for the righteousness that they have done they shall live.

**Ezekiel 18:23**

**Have I any pleasure in the death of the wicked,** says the Lord God, and not rather that they should turn from their ways and live?

## Ezekiel 18:24

But when the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity and do the same abominable things that the wicked do, **shall they live?**

## Ezekiel 18:24

None of the righteous deeds that they have done shall be remembered, for the treachery of which they are guilty and the sin they have committed, **they shall die.**

**Ezekiel 18:25**

Yet you say, “The way of the Lord is unfair.” Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? **Is it not your ways that are unfair?**

## **Matthew 20:13-15**

Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for a denarius? Take what belongs to you, and go; I choose to give to this last as I give to you. **Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me?** Or do you begrudge my generosity?



**Matthew 20:13-15**

ἢ ὁ ὀφθαλμός σου πονηρός ἐστίν  
ὅτι ἐγὼ ἀγαθός εἰμι;

**lit.** Is your eye evil because I  
am good?

## Ezekiel 18:26

When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; **for the iniquity that they have committed**, they shall die.

## Ezekiel 18:30

Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord God. **Repent and turn from all your transgressions;** otherwise iniquity will be your ruin.

## **Ezekiel 18:31**

Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and **get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit!**

Why will you die, O house of Israel?

**Ezekiel 18:32**

For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord God. **Turn, then, and live.**









# **Chapter 6**

**(Ezekiel 25-32)**

## **Prophecies Against Foreign Nations**

## Ezekiel 26:17

'How you have vanished from the seas, O city renowned, that was mighty on the sea, you and your inhabitants, **who imposed your terror on all the mainland!**

**Ezekiel 27:3-9**

O Tyre, you have said, 'I am perfect in beauty. Your borders are in the heart of the seas...

**Ezekiel 27**

Read on mechon-mamre



# Chapter 7

**“Like One Who Sings Love  
Songs”**

## Ezekiel 33:30

“As for you, son of man, your people who talk together about you by the walls and at the doors of the houses, say to one another, each to his brother, **‘Come, and hear what the word is that comes forth from the Lord.’**”

## Ezekiel 33:31

And they come to you as people come,  
and they sit before you as my people,  
and **they hear what you say but they  
will not do it**; for with their lips they  
show much love, but their heart is set  
on their gain.

**Ezekiel 33:31**

**And lo, you are to them like one who sings love songs with a beautiful voice and plays well on an instrument, for they hear what you say, but they will not do it.**

## Ezekiel 33:31

When this comes—and  
come it will!—then they will  
know that a prophet has  
been among them.”







# **Chapter 6**

## **The Good Shepherd**



## **Ezekiel 34:2-3**

Thus says the Lord God: Ho, shepherds of Israel who have been feeding yourselves! Should not shepherds feed the sheep? You eat the fat, you clothe yourselves with the wool, you slaughter the fatlings; but you do not feed the sheep.

## **Ezekiel 34:4**

The weak you have not strengthened, the sick you have not healed, the crippled you have not bound up, the strayed you have not brought back, the lost you have not sought, and with force and harshness you have ruled them.

## **Ezekiel 34:5-6**

So they were scattered, because there was no shepherd; and they became food for all the wild beasts. My sheep were scattered, they wandered over all the mountains and on every high hill; my sheep were scattered over all the face of the earth, with none to search or seek for them.

## **Ezekiel 34:11-12**

“For thus says the Lord God: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out his flock when some of his sheep have been scattered abroad, so will I seek out my sheep; and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness.

## **Ezekiel 34:15-16**

I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the crippled, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will watch over...

## **Ezekiel 34:17-19**

“As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord God:  
Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, rams  
and he-goats. Is it not enough for you to feed on the  
good pasture, that you must tread down with your  
feet the rest of your pasture; and to drink of clear  
water, that you must foul the rest with your feet?  
And must my sheep eat what you have trodden  
with your feet, and drink what you have fouled with  
your feet?

## **Ezekiel 34:25-26**

“I will make with them a covenant of peace and banish wild beasts from the land, so that they may dwell securely in the wilderness and sleep in the woods. And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing; and I will send down the showers in their season; they shall be showers of blessing.

# **Chapter 7**

## **The Valley of Dry Bones**

## **Ezekiel 37:1-2**

The hand of the Lord was upon me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord, and set me down in the midst of the valley; it was full of bones. And he led me round among them; and behold, there were very many upon the valley; and lo, they were very dry.

**Ezekiel 37:3**

And he said to me, “Son of man, can these bones live?”

And I answered, “O Lord God, thou knowest.”

## **Ezekiel 37:4-5**

Again he said to me, “Prophecy to these bones, and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live.

## **Ezekiel 37:6**

And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

## **Ezekiel 37:7-8**

So I prophesied as I was commanded; and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold, a rattling; and the bones came together, bone to its bone. And as I looked, there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them.

## **Ezekiel 37:9**

Then he said to me, “Prophecy to the breath, prophecy, son of man, and say to the breath, Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.”

## **Ezekiel 37:10**

So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great host.

## **Ezekiel 37:11**

Then he said to me, “Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel. Behold, they say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.’”

## **Ezekiel 37:12**

Therefore prophesy, and say to them,  
Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will  
open your graves, and raise you from  
your graves, O my people; and I will  
bring you home into the land of Israel.

## **Ezekiel 37:13-14**

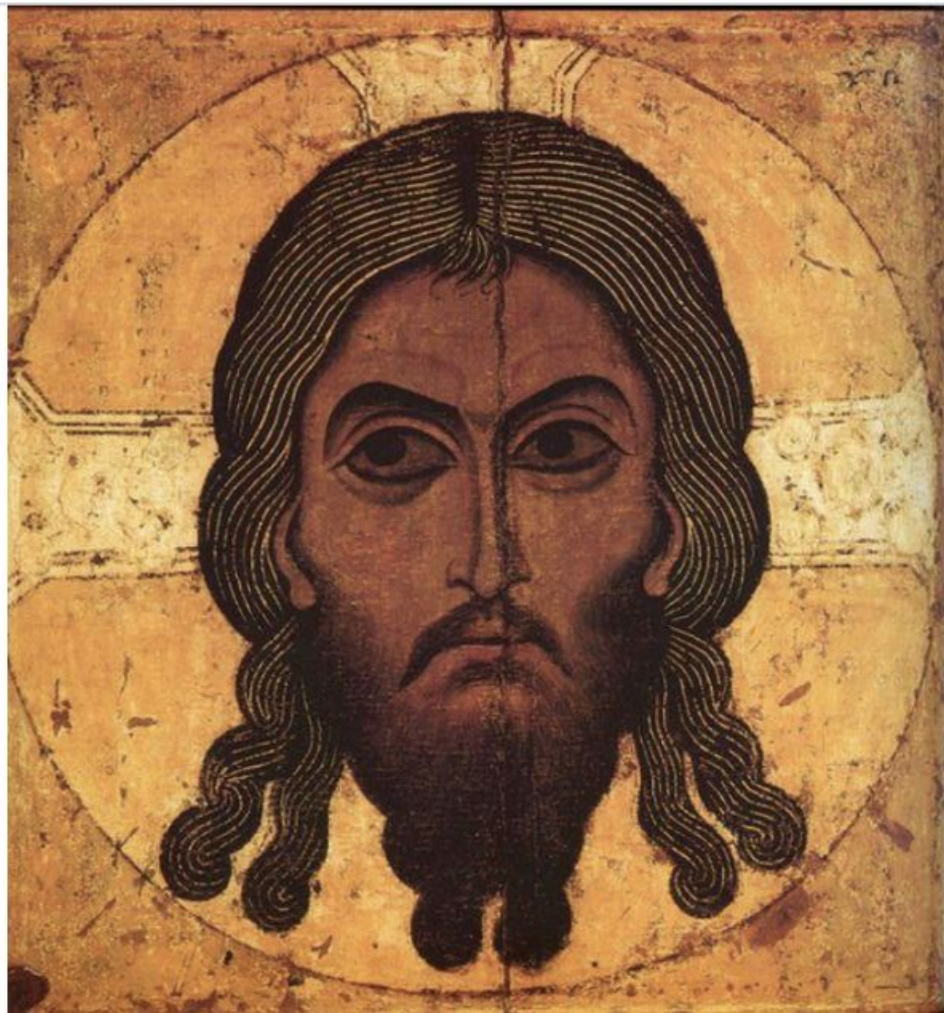
And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and raise you from your graves, O my people. And I will put my Spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken, and I have done it, says the Lord.”

# Schedule

Next Class: March 2 / 3

Jeremiah 2-17

Glorious Saint Raymond of Peñafort, wise and holy patron, come to the aid of those entrusted to your care, and all who flee to your protection. Intercede for us in our need, and help us through your prayers, example, and teaching, to proclaim the truth of the Gospel to all we meet. And when we have reached the fullness of our years, we beseech you to guide us home to heaven, to live in peace with you, Our Mother Mary, and Our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.





Gregory of Nyssa, Office of Readings, Tuesday of the 7th Week in Ordinary Time

**We are in a sense our own parents,**  
and we give birth to ourselves by our  
own free choice of what is good... On  
the other hand, if... the form of Christ  
has not been produced in us, we  
abort ourselves.

