SMITH FOR CHRIST

TEACHING THE WORD · WATCHING THE TIMES

REFLECTION JOURNAL · FIVE DAYS

Ezekiel

Chapter 39

Gog's Defeat and God's Holy Name

MEMORY VERSE · EZEKIEL 39:29

"I will not hide My face from them any longer, for I will have poured out My Spirit on the house of Israel."

THIS JOURNAL BELONGS TO _____

BEFORE YOU BEGIN

This week in Ezekiel 39

This week you will watch God finish off the enemy, clean up the battlefield, and then tell the hard truth about why His people went into exile. But Ezekiel 39 does not end with judgment; it ends with mercy, a face turned toward you, and the Spirit poured out. Let God show you both your part and His grace.

How to use this journal

1. Each day, read the passage slowly — out loud if you can.
2. Answer the **Observe** question from the text before you write what it means.
3. Write honestly on the **Reflect** questions. No one grades this.
4. Do the **Respond** step today, not someday. Say the memory verse.
5. Bring this journal to the group. The last page is for the table.

The O·I·A study, the slides and the film for this chapter are on the Ezekiel study page.

WHERE I AM AS I START THIS CHAPTER

What is going on in my life right now that I want to bring to God this week?

DAY 1 OF 5

The Bow Knocked Away

READ · EZEKIEL 39:1–8

OBSERVE — WHAT DOES IT SAY?

What does God do to Gog's bow and arrows (v3), and what reason does He give for all of it in verse 7?

REFLECT

God strikes the bow from one hand and the arrows from the other (v3). What weapon has the enemy been using against you, and how have you seen God knock it loose?

REFLECT

God says, "I will not let My holy name be profaned anymore" (v7). How has your life made God's name look good or look common to the people around you?

RESPOND — TODAY

Thank God by name for one battle He fought for you that you could never have won yourself.

☐ READ IT ☐ PRAYED IT ☐ SAID THE MEMORY VERSE (EZEKIEL 39:29)

DAY 2 OF 5

Cleaning Up the Land

READ · EZEKIEL 39:9–16

OBSERVE — WHAT DOES IT SAY?

How long does Israel burn the weapons (v9) and how long do they bury the dead (v12)? What is the stated purpose of the burying?

REFLECT

After the victory, Israel spent months cleaning up "in order to cleanse the land" (v12). What leftovers from your old life — contacts, places, habits, objects — still need to be cleared out?

REFLECT

Men were set apart to keep searching and marking every bone (vv14–15). Who could help you search the corners of your life you would rather not look at?

RESPOND — TODAY

Remove one leftover from your old life today — delete it, throw it out, or hand it to a brother to hold you accountable.

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DAY 3 OF 5

The Proud Become the Offering

READ · EZEKIEL 39:17–20

OBSERVE — WHAT DOES IT SAY?

Who is invited to God's sacrifice in verse 17, and who ends up being the sacrifice (vv18–20)?

REFLECT

The proud armies that set themselves against God end up on His table (v20). Where is pride setting you against God right now?

REFLECT

Jesus became the Sacrifice so that we would not have to stand against God. How does this hard picture make the cross mean more to you?

RESPOND — TODAY

Pray a prayer of surrender, naming one area where you have been fighting God instead of trusting Him.

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DAY 4 OF 5

The Honest Reason

READ · EZEKIEL 39:21–24

OBSERVE — WHAT DOES IT SAY?

According to verse 23, why did Israel go into exile? Write the reason in God's own words.

REFLECT

God says Israel fell "for their iniquity because they acted treacherously against Me" (v23). What part of your hard seasons did you bring on yourself, and what part have you been blaming on others or on God?

REFLECT

God "hid My face from them" (v24). When have you felt God far away, and what had you been doing in that season?

RESPOND — TODAY

Write a short, honest confession of one thing you did that brought pain into your life. Make no excuses, then thank God that Jesus carried it.

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DAY 5 OF 5

His Face Turned Toward You

READ · EZEKIEL 39:25–29

OBSERVE — WHAT DOES IT SAY?

List every promise God makes in verses 25–29. Which of them begin with the word "I"?

REFLECT

God will "leave none of them there any longer" (v28). Who do you know who feels left behind, and what would it mean to him to hear this verse?

REFLECT

God promises, "I will not hide My face from them any longer" (v29). If you truly believed God's face is turned toward you in Jesus, what would you stop doing or start doing this week?

RESPOND — TODAY

Read verse 29 out loud three times today, and share it with one man who thinks he is too far gone.

☐ READ IT ☐ PRAYED IT ☐ SAID THE MEMORY VERSE (EZEKIEL 39:29)

WHEN THE GROUP MEETS

Questions for the table

FOR THE GROUP · 1

Which promise in verses 25–29 do you most need to hold on to right now?

FOR THE GROUP · 2

What does honest confession sound like without falling into shame — and how can we help each other do that?

FOR THE GROUP · 3

What cleanup work are we as a group willing to help one another finish this month?

MY PRAYER

Holy One, thank You for fighting the battles I could never win; now help me clear out…

CUT OUT · CARRY IT · EZEKIEL 39:29

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