

# **New Heart, New Spirit**

**EZEKIEL 36 : 22-28**

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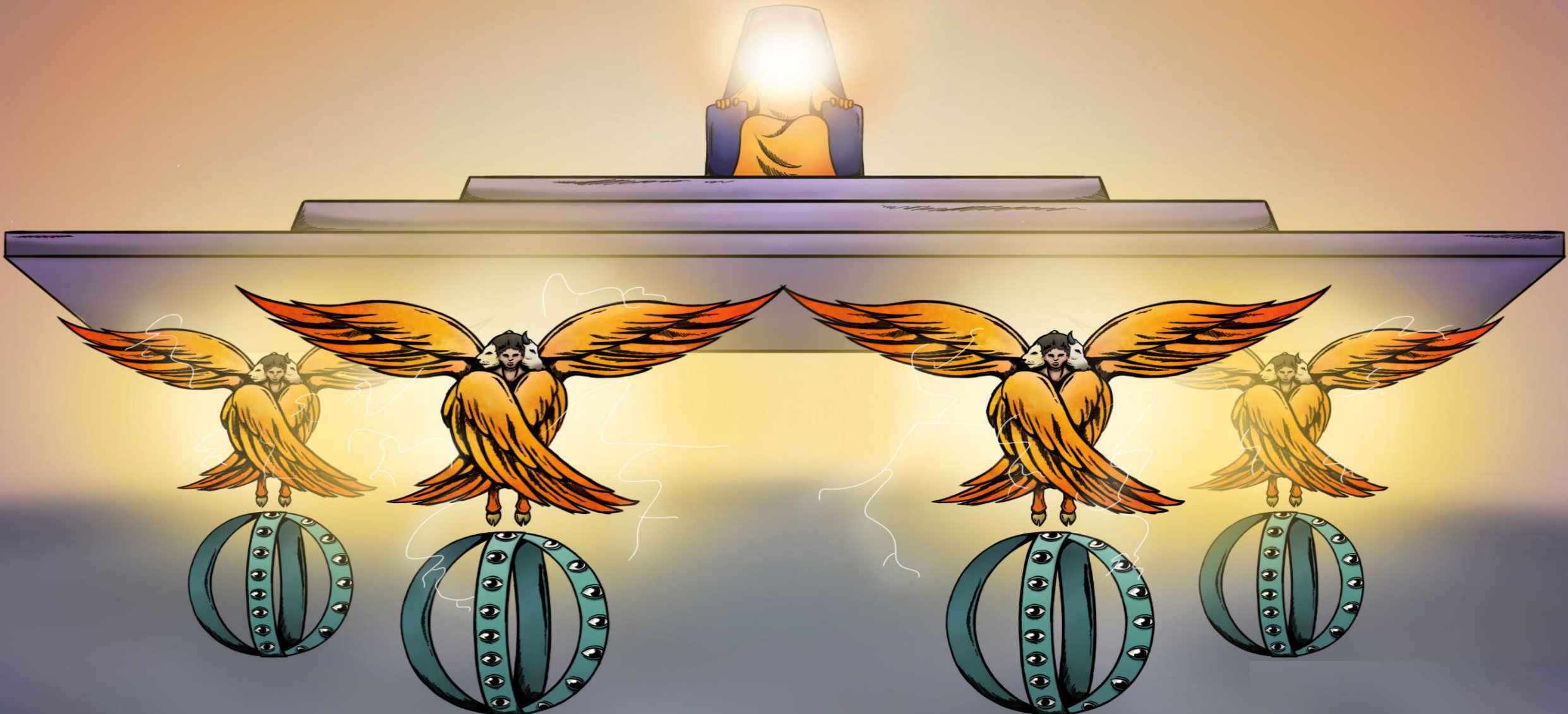
# Three Themes, Six Visions of Ezekiel

## Three Themes :

- 1) The Glory of God (Chapter 1)
- 2) The Judgment of God (Chapter 2-35)
- 3) The Restoration of God (Chapter 36-48)

## Six Visions :

- 1) Vision of the Creatures ;
- 2) Vision of the Scroll/Books ;
- 3) Vision of the Plain ;
- 4) Visions of Jerusalem ;
- 5) Vision of Dry Bones ;
- 6) Vision of the New Temple.



**"It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am going to do these things, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations where you have gone.**

**I will show the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, the name you have profaned among them. Then the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Sovereign LORD, when I show myself holy through you before their eyes.**

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**(Ezekiel 36:22-23)**

**I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws.**

**You will live in the land I gave your forefathers; you will be my people, and I will be your God.**

**(Ezekiel 36:26-27)**

## Water represents the Holy Spirit in the OT

In the New Testament, Jesus Promised to give The living water :

If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water (John 4:10-14)



# 10 Keys into the Bible

- 1) love the Bible,
- 2) read the Bible,
- 3) study the Bible,
- 4) memorize the Bible,
- 5) sing the Bible,
- 6) preach the bible,
- 7) meditate the bible,
- 8) pray in the bible,
- 9) listening to the Bible,
- 10) share the bible

Christians are people with a heart of flesh and a heart of obedience to the Holy Spirit. Christians are going through spiritual battles all their lives: obeying a heart of stone and rejecting God, **Or** obeying God with a heart of flesh and a new heart?



Those who live according to the sinful nature have their minds set on what that nature desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires, The mind of sinful man is death, but the mind controlled by the Spirit is life and peace. (Ro 8:5-6)



# **New Heart and New Spirit (Ezekiel 36:22-28)**

- 1. Begin with God's Holiness**
  - a. Be set apart : God is unique to all creation/creatures.**
  - b. We should be the same, set apart for God's holiness**
- 2. Return to God's homeland**
  - a. In Christ Jesus : we have to believe in Jesus in order to receive the New Heart and New Spirit**
- 3. Receive God's purification:**
  - a. through the Holy Spirit & God's Word in Jesus**
- 4. Obey and follow God's word: our responsibility**
- 5. Enjoy God's new relationship: our new identify**



## 挑战时刻



- 1. What is the core message in Ezekiel 36?**
- 2. What impact does God's holiness have on our lives today?**
- 3. How seductive is today's secular culture?**
- 4. How do we receive and experience God's new heart and new spirit, and how do we keep our new heart clean and new spirit active ?**