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JUDE 3: YE SHOULD EARNESTLY CONTEND FOR THE FAITH WHICH WAS ONCE DELIVERED UNTO THE SAINTS

**BkEzekiel 2. THE GLORY AND THE LIVING CREATURES** Text: [Ezekiel 1](#)  
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Book of Ezekiel: prophecies of the Babylonian captivity and the Apocalypse							
Scope	<b>ye shall know that I <i>am</i> the LORD</b>						
Focus	Ezekiel Commissioned <b>so send I you</b>		Judgment Warnings		The day of the LORD Restoration of Israel		
			Israel	Gentiles			
Divine Plan	Commission the Committed to Declare the Word		Sanctify the obedient Remnant Living their Faith without Compromise		Manifest the Glorious appearing of the LORD Jesus Christ		
Reference	1	2	4	25	30	40	48
Division	Ezekiel sees the Glory	Ezekiel equipped to warn with the Word without fear	Dramatic and objective signs of Judgment	Judgment of nations hostile to Israel	Tribulation and Israel's Salvation	Kingdom and visions of the Temple	
Spiritual Condition	Israel: a rebellious nation, impudent children, stiffhearted						
	Remnant: Ezekiel: committed and separated unto God; divinely chosen and equipped						
Location	Babylon						
Time	592 – c.570 BC						

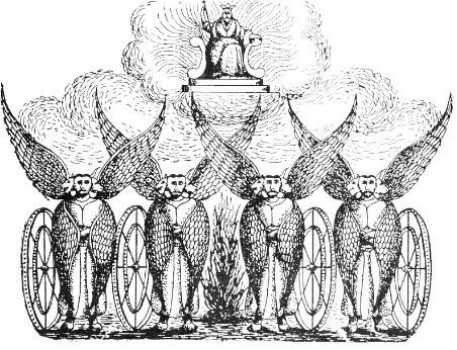
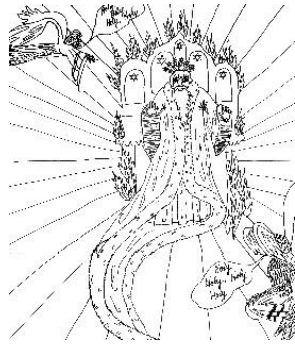

In chapter 1 Ezekiel sees:

1. The throne and glory of God.
2. The four living creatures (Cherubims).

Seen also by the prophet Isaiah and the apostle John.

Cherubim Are Associated with The Glory and The Throne of God

Genesis 3:24 So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

		
Ezekiel's Cherubim	Isaiah's Cherubim	John's Cherubim
<a href="#">Ezekiel 1:4-28; 10:1-22</a>	<a href="#">Isaiah 6:1-6</a>	<a href="#">Revelation 4:6-8</a>

## Cherubim (and Seraphim) are always associated with the throne of God

**Psalm 80:1** Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou that leadest Joseph like a flock; thou that dwellest between the cherubims, shine forth.

**Psalm 99:1** The LORD reigneth; let the people tremble: he sitteth between the cherubims; let the earth be moved.

**Isaiah 6:1** In the year that king Uzziah died I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.

**Isaiah 6:2** Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly.

**Isaiah 6:3** And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, *is* the LORD of hosts: the whole earth *is* full of his glory.

## Ezekiel begins in the thirtieth year commemorating the monumental and most important sanctifying revival of King Josiah

**Ezekiel 1:1** Now it came to pass in the thirtieth year, in the fourth *month*, in the fifth *day* of the month, as I *was* among the captives by the river of Chebar, *that* the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God.

**Ezekiel 1:2** In the fifth *day* of the month, which *was* the fifth year of king Jehoiachin's captivity,

**Ezekiel 1:3** The word of the LORD came expressly unto Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river Chebar; and the hand of the LORD was there upon him.

**Ezekiel 1:4** And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire infolding itself, and a brightness *was* about it, and out of the midst thereof as the colour of amber, out of the midst of the fire.

**Ezekiel 1:5** Also out of the midst thereof *came* the likeness of four living creatures. And this *was* their appearance; they had the likeness of a man.

**Ezekiel 1:6** And every one had four faces, and every one had four wings.

**Ezekiel 1:7** And their feet *were* straight feet; and the sole of their feet *was* like the sole of a calf's foot: and they sparkled like the colour of burnished brass.

**Ezekiel 1:8** And *they had* the hands of a man under their wings on their four sides; and they four had their faces and their wings.

**Ezekiel 1:9** Their wings *were* joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward.

**Ezekiel 1:10** As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle.

**Ezekiel 1:11** Thus *were* their faces: and their wings *were* stretched upward; two *wings* of every one *were* joined one to another, and two covered their bodies.

**Ezekiel 1:12** And they went every one straight forward: whither the spirit was to go, they went; *and* they turned not when they went.

**Ezekiel 1:13** As for the likeness of the living creatures, their appearance *was* like

burning coals of fire, *and* like the appearance of lamps: it went up and down among the living creatures; and the fire was bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning.

**Ezekiel 1:14** And the living creatures ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning.

**Ezekiel 1:15** Now as I beheld the living creatures, behold one wheel upon the earth by the living creatures, with his four faces.

Holy Spirit filled, operation of the Holy Spirit, led of the Holy Spirit

**Ezekiel 1:16** The appearance of **the wheels and their work** was like unto the colour of a beryl: and they four had one likeness: and **their appearance and their work** was as it were **a wheel in the middle of a wheel**. [Zec 4:6](#)

**Ezekiel 1:17** When they went, they went upon their four sides: *and* they turned not when they went.

**Ezekiel 1:18** As for their rings, they were so high that they were dreadful; and their rings *were* full of eyes round about them four.

**Ezekiel 1:19** And when the living creatures went, the wheels went by them: and when the living creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up.

**Ezekiel 1:20** Whithersoever the spirit was to go, they went, thither *was their* spirit to go; and the wheels were lifted up over against them: for **the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels**.

**Ezekiel 1:21** When those went, *these* went; and when those stood, *these* stood; and when those were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up over against them: for **the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels**.

**Ezekiel 1:22** And the likeness of the firmament upon the heads of the living creature *was* as the colour of the terrible crystal, stretched forth over their heads above.

**Ezekiel 1:23** And under the firmament *were* their wings straight, the one toward the other: every one had two, which covered on this side, and every one had two, which covered on that side, their bodies.

**Ezekiel 1:24** And when they went, I heard the noise of their wings, like the noise of great waters, as the voice of the Almighty, the voice of speech, as the noise of an host: when they stood, they let down their wings.

**Ezekiel 1:25** And there was a voice from the firmament that *was* over their heads, when they stood, *and* had let down their wings.

**Ezekiel 1:26** And above the firmament that *was* over their heads *was* the likeness of a throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone: and upon the likeness of the throne *was* the likeness as the appearance of a man above upon it.

**Ezekiel 1:27** And I saw as the colour of amber, as the appearance of fire round about within it, from the appearance of his loins even upward, and from the appearance of his loins even downward, I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and it had brightness round about.

**Ezekiel 1:28** As the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud in the day of rain, so *was* the appearance of the brightness round about. This *was* the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. And when I saw *it*, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spake.

**The Glory of the Father is His Son Jesus Christ the Word  
and in the work of His Son through the Holy Spirit  
in those who hear and hearken to His Word**

**The LORD's Hope of His Calling (Eph 1:17-18)  
actually all of Ephesians and the entire Bible**

**Titus 2:11** For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,  
**Titus 2:12** Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;  
**Titus 2:13** Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;  
**Titus 2:14** Who gave himself for us, that he might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works.  
**Titus 2:15** These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee.

