



Sermon Outline
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Real Talk Ezekiel

Series objective: *To reveal that from Genesis to Revelation God's Big Story is that He wants to be with us, and He wants us to be with Him.*

Series goal: *To help us become more aware of living the "with God" life.*

A great resource to help put Ezekiel in perspective: www.thebibleproject.com

It was a challenge for God to both get and keep His people's _____.

God provided Ezekiel with several creative communication tools to help get the people's attention: 1) Living illustrations, 2) Word pictures, 3) Graphic symbols.

A prophet's message usually contained one or more of three key elements: 1) Hindsight, 2) Foresight, and 3) _____.

Insight #1 - God is in the business of bringing _____ things back to life.

Ephesians 2:1 & 4-5 - As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins...But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.

Insight #2 - The _____ of the matter is a matter of the _____.

Ezekiel 36:26 - 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.

*** God desires internal _____ not external _____.**

Greatest commandment: _____

*** _____ has become the default mode of the human heart.**

Mark 7:6 - He replied, "Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you hypocrites; as it is written: "'These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.'"

*** _____ is what the heart was designed for.**

*** You _____ the condition of your heart.**

Proverbs 4:23 - Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.

*** You are either _____ or _____ your heart toward God.**

*** _____ naturally leads to hardening.**

Where would you place yourself?

Hard										Soft
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	

There's nothing you can do to make God love you more or anything you can do to make Him love you less, but there are most certainly things you can do that will help you love God more or love Him less.

*** I will make sure my heart remains _____ to God.**