

Your Most Important Call

Ezekiel 2:1-3:21

Introduction:

- A. Most people never forget the important calls they receive during their lifetime.
- B. Christians will receive no greater call, than the call from God.
- C. Background: Ezekiel was carried away as a captive to Babylon at the age of 25. At the age of 30, God called him to do something that would forever change his life.

Ezekiel Was Called to Warn the People (Ezek. 2:1-4).

- A. The people of Israel were a rebellious and stubborn group of people.
- B. Ezekiel's mission did not look too promising.
- C. Ezekiel was to warn the people.

Ezekiel Was Called to Warn the People Regardless of How He Was Received (Ezek. 2:5-7).

- A. God indicated to Ezekiel his message might not be accepted.
- B. God indicated to Ezekiel his message might bring about difficulties in his life.
- C. God told Ezekiel to "Fear Not" and "Be Faithful" to his call of warning.

Ezekiel Was Going to Be Held Accountable for Whether or Not He Warned the People (Ezek. 3:17-21).

- A. God appointed Ezekiel as a watchman over the house of Israel.
- B. If the watchman failed in his responsibility, the people's blood would be on his hands.
- C. Jesus said we will be judged by His Words (Jn. 12:48) and in those words He says we are to "Go and Teach" the lost.

Conclusion:

- A. For almost 25 yrs. Ezekiel faithfully carried God's message to his fellow Jews.
- B. The Bible teaches every knee shall bow and every tongue will confess (Rom. 14:10-12; 2 Cor. 5:10).
- C. Friends, we all someday will have to answer for our personal work.