

**Ezekiel 40-48**  
**Bible study 9.8.21**

1. Describe a memorable place where you were drawn into worship of God. What did that place convey to you about God?

Read Ezekiel 40:1-16

2. Where is Ezekiel taken in this vision and what is he shown according to Ezekiel 40:1-5?
3. What is striking to you about the temple? What questions come to mind? Do you sense that these chapters are more than just a construction plan to follow? Explain.
4. What are some principles or truths from these chapters describing the temple in Ezekiel's vision that we can learn from and apply to our lives today?
  - a. What does the temple tell us about what God is like?
  - b. What is worship and how should we worship?
  - c. How do we see this vision fulfilled in the New Testament?

Read Ezekiel 43:1-12

5. Why had the glory of the Lord departed from the temple? Where did the glory of the Lord go? (Ezekiel 11:22-23) How does that relate to what Ezekiel sees in chapter 43?

Read Ezekiel 47:1-12

6. What parallels do you see in this passage with the account of the creation in Genesis 1-2 and the revelation of heaven in Revelation 21-22? (note especially Revelation 22:1-2)
7. Where does the river start? Which direction does it flow? (47:1-2) What happens to the river as it gets further from the source? (47:3-6)
8. As the river flows into the Dead Sea, what happens regarding animals, fish, trees, and people? (47:7-12)
9. How do we see the fulfillment of this vision in John 7:37-39?