## WHAT DOES BIBLICAL OBEDIENCE LOOK LIKE?

LESSONS FROM EZEKIEL'S CALL: PART 2
Ezekiel 2:8-3:15

- I. OBEDIENCE BEGINS WITH LISTENING TO THE WORD with an intent to obey: Ezekiel is commanded to listen the Lords Word (unlike the rebels) and take it in (2:8)
- II. AN ILLUSTRATION: BIBLICAL LISTENING PERSONIFIED: Ezekiel is to eat the scroll that has lamentations, mourning and woe (2:8b-3:1)
  - A. OPEN YOUR HEART TO HIS WORD (2:8b-10, 3:10)
    - 1. Realizing it is His Word (8b-9)
    - 2. Regardless of our view of its content (10)
  - B. RECEIVE HIS WORD, FED YOUR SOUL and THEN OBEY (3:1-3)
- III. WE MUST OBEY HIS WORD, Not FEARING or Losing Heart, KNOWING HE WILL STRENGTHEN AND PROTECT US: Ezekiel is commanded to go and speak His Words to the house of Israel, who should listen but will not, and he is not to fear or be dismayed (3:4-9)
  - A. Obey regardless of the response of man (4-7)
  - B. Obey knowing God will strengthen you (8-9a)
- C. Obey not fearing or losing heart, even though they are rebellious (9b) Rem 1-7
- IV. THE CALL REITERATED: Ezekiel is to take His Word into his heart, listen closely, go and proclaim it weather they listen or not (3:10-15)
  - A. Take His Word into your heart and listen closely (10)
  - B. Obey regardless of man's reaction (11)
  - C. Realize all of heaven is with you (12-15)