

**OUTLINE 05/17/26**  
**New Vision, New Purpose**  
Ezekiel 1-2 (NIV)

When Jesus shows up, everything changes.

**Christophany** - kris-tof'a-ni, *n.* an appearance of Christ

<sup>25</sup> Then there came a voice from above the expanse over their heads as they stood with lowered wings.

<sup>26</sup> Above the expanse over their heads was what looked like a throne of sapphire, and high above on the throne was a figure like that of a man. <sup>27</sup> I saw that from what appeared to be his waist up he looked like glowing metal, as if full of fire, and that from there down he looked like fire; and brilliant light surrounded him. <sup>28</sup> Like the appearance of a rainbow in the clouds on a rainy day, so was the radiance around him. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. When I saw it, I fell facedown, and I heard the voice of one speaking. Ezekiel 1:25-28

- An appearance of Christ is **moving**.

<sup>1</sup> He said to me, "Son of man, stand up on your feet and I will speak to you." <sup>2</sup> As he spoke, the Spirit came into me and raised me to my feet, and I heard him speaking to me. <sup>3</sup> He said: "Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to a rebellious nation that has rebelled against me; they and their fathers have been in revolt against me to this very day. Ezekiel 2:1-3

- An appearance of Christ is **empowering**.

<sup>4</sup> The people to whom I am sending you are obstinate and stubborn. Say to them, 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says.' <sup>5</sup> And whether they listen or fail to listen--for they are a rebellious house--they will know that a prophet has been among them. <sup>6</sup> And you, son of man, do not be afraid of them or their words. Do not be afraid, though briars and thorns are all around you and you live among scorpions. Do not be afraid of what they say or terrified by them, though they are a rebellious house. Ezekiel 2:4-6

- An appearance of Christ is **compelling**.

**How to Receive Christ:**

"Dear Jesus, thank You for loving me even though I'm a sinner. I ask for your forgiveness. I believe You died for my sin and that You rose from the dead. I trust You as my Savior and follow You as Lord, from this day forward. Amen."

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NEW HEART FROM A STONE HEART**

**Discussion Questions:**

1. Ezekiel fell to his face when Christ appeared to him, what has been the most moving spiritual experience for you?
2. In what ways does Christ empower Ezekiel and how does He empower us today?
3. What is Christ calling you to do?