## Bible Study Guide Ezekiel 17 June 9, 2021

## Read Ezekiel 17.

1.	Who/what are the main characters in the riddle/parable/fable/allegory in 17:3-10? What stands out to you or what questions come to your mind from this story?
2.	What explanation of the parable does the Lord give in 17:11-15? Who is the great eagle from 17:3? Who is the young twig that it broke off and carried away? What is the 'land of trade' and 'city of merchants' from 17:4?
3.	In 17:13 who is the "seed of the land" from 17:5, that is "one of the royal officials" and who agrees to the covenant?
4.	According to 17:15 who is the 2nd great eagle from 17:7? Why would the royal offspring break his covenant with the first eagle? What might have been attractive about the second eagle?
5.	What does the Lord promise to do in 17:16-21? Did that happen (Compare 2 Kings 25:1-6)? What is the message for us from this truth?

6.	How might God's response to the breaking of this covenant be applied to our keeping agreements in our lives?
7.	Why does God say in 17:19 that the oath to Babylon that Zedekiah broke was actually His oath and covenant? It's easy to imagine people in Zedekiah's court arguing it was a covenant with Babylon, an evil, conquering power. Why wasn't it okay to rebel?
8.	What does God promise to do with the very top of the cedar tree in 17:22-24? What does this mean for Israel? What are the differences between this twig (17:22) and the one from 17:4?