



**Ezekiel's Vision**  
**Study by Sue Patterson**  
Inspired by the film, "Knowing"

**Ezekiel chapter 1:1**

¶ Now it came to pass in the thirtieth year, in the fourth month, in the fifth day of the month, as I was among the captives by the river of Chebar, that the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God. 2 In the fifth day of the month, which was the fifth year of king Jehoiachin's captivity, 3 The word of the LORD came expressly unto Ezekiel the priest, the son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river Chebar; and the hand of the LORD was there upon him.

4 ¶ And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire infolding itself, and a brightness was about it, and out of the midst thereof as the colour of amber, out of the midst of the fire. 5 Also out of the midst thereof came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance; they had the likeness of a man. 6 And every one had four faces, and every one had four wings. 7 And their feet were straight feet; and the sole of their feet was like the sole of a calf's foot: and they sparkled like the colour of burnished brass. 8 And they had the hands of a man under their wings on their four sides; and they four had their faces and their wings. 9 Their wings were joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward.

10 As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle. 11 Thus were their faces: and their wings were stretched upward; two wings of every one were joined one to another, and two covered their bodies. 12 And they went every one straight forward: whither the spirit was to go, they went; and they turned not when they went. 13 As for the likeness of the living creatures, their appearance was like burning coals of fire, and like the appearance of lamps: it went up and down among the living creatures; and the fire was bright, and out of the fire went forth lightning. 14 And the living creatures ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning.

15 ¶ Now as I beheld the living creatures, behold one wheel upon the earth by the living creatures, with his four faces. 16 The appearance of the wheels and their work was like unto the colour of a beryl: and they four had one likeness: and their appearance and their work was as it were a wheel in the middle of a wheel. 17 When they went, they

went upon their four sides: and they turned not when they went. 18 As for their rings, they were so high that they were dreadful; and their rings were full of eyes round about them four. 19 And when the living creatures went, the wheels went by them: and when the living creatures were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up. 20 Whithersoever the spirit was to go, they went, thither was their spirit to go; and the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels. 21 When those went, these went; and when those stood, these stood; and when those were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels. 22 And the likeness of the firmament upon the heads of the living creature was as the colour of the terrible crystal, stretched forth over their heads above. 23 And under the firmament were their wings straight, the one toward the other: every one had two, which covered on this side, and every one had two, which covered on that side, their bodies. 24 And when they went, I heard the noise of their wings, like the noise of great waters, as the voice of the Almighty, the voice of speech, as the noise of an host: when they stood, they let down their wings. 25 And there was a voice from the firmament that was over their heads, when they stood, and had let down their wings. 26 ¶ And above the firmament that was over their heads was the likeness of a throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone: and upon the likeness of the throne was the likeness as the appearance of a man above upon it. 27 And I saw as the colour of amber, as the appearance of fire round about within it, from the appearance of his loins even upward, and from the appearance of his loins even downward, I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and it had brightness round about. 28 As the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud in the day of rain, so was the appearance of the brightness round about. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. And when I saw it, I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spake.

**Eze 1:4** And I looked, and, behold, **a whirlwind came out of the north, a great cloud, and a fire infolding itself**, and a brightness was about it, and **out of the midst thereof as the colour of amber, out of the midst of the fire.**

**Zech 13:9** And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is my people: and they shall say, The LORD is my God.

**Eze 1:5** Also out of the midst thereof came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance; **they had the likeness of a man.**

**Da 7:4** The first was like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, **and made stand upon the feet as a man**, and a man's heart was given to it.

**Eze 1:6** And every one had **four faces**, and every one had four wings. 7 And their feet were **straight feet**; and the sole of their feet was like **the sole of a calf's foot**: and they sparkled like the colour of burnished brass. 8 And they had the hands of a man under their wings on their four sides; and they four had their faces and their wings. 9 **Their**

**wings were joined one to another; they turned not when they went; they went every one straight forward.**

**Am 6:4** That lie upon beds of ivory, and stretch themselves upon their couches, **and eat the lambs out of the flock, and the calves out of the midst of the stall;**

**Mal 4:2** But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; and ye shall go forth, **and grow up as calves of the stall.**

**Joined** 2266 ...couple (together), have fellowship with, join (self, together), league.

**Another** 2245 ...a sister ...literally and figuratively)...see 251

**251**... a brother (used in the widest sense of literal relationship and metaphorical affinity or resemblance ...

**Eze 1:10** As for the likeness of their faces, **they four had the face of a man, and the face of a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of an ox on the left side; they four also had the face of an eagle.**

**Right Side** 3225...locally, the south...

**Left Side** 8040...the north...

Man - Daniels Vision of the Lion made to stand upon his feet as a man.

Lion - Daniel's Vision of the Lion, the Bear, the Leopard and the Fourth Beast

Ox - Also calf used in previous verses

**Eagle - Isa 40:31** But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew [their] strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; [and] they shall walk, and not faint.

**Eze 1:13** As for the likeness of **the living creatures**, their appearance was like burning coals of fire, and like **the appearance of lamps**: it went up and down among the living creatures; and the fire was bright, **and out of the fire went forth lightning**. 14 And the living creatures **ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning**.

**Living creatures** - 2nd Trumpet - the creatures that had life in the sea died.

**Lamps** - Zech 4.2 And said unto me, What seest thou? And I said, I have looked, and behold a candlestick all of gold, with a bowl upon the top of it, **and his seven lamps thereon**, and seven pipes to the seven lamps, which are upon the top thereof:

**Ran and returned** - Fled from Babylon and returned to the Lord.

**Flash of lightning** - The Coming of the Son of Man.

**Eze 1:18** As for their rings, they were so high that they were dreadful; **and their rings were full of eyes round about them four.**

**Rev 4:6** And before the throne there was **a sea of glass like unto crystal**: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, **were four beasts full of eyes before and behind.** **7 And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle.** **8 ¶** And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

**Rev 15:2** And I saw as it were **a sea of glass mingled with fire**: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.

**Eze 1:20** Whithersoever the spirit was to go, they went, thither was their spirit to go; and **the wheels were lifted up over against them: for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels.**

**Wheel** 212 from an unused root meaning to revolve; a wheel:--wheel.

**Wheel** - Webster's - potter's wheel; to cause to turn, revolve, or rotate; to reverse one's course of action; wheel of progress.

**Living** 2416 alive...**life** (or living thing), whether literally or figuratively...**congregation**...(creature, thing)...**multitude**...

Four Faces - Four Winds, Four Quarters of Heaven, Four Corners, Four Camps

**Jer 49:36**And upon Elam will I bring **the four winds from the four quarters of heaven**, and will scatter them toward all those winds; and there shall be no nation whither the outcasts of Elam shall not come.

**Mt 24:31** And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, **and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds**, from one end of heaven to the other.

**Isa 11:12** And he shall set up an ensign for the nations, and shall assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from **the four corners of the earth.**

**Lu 13:29** And they shall come from the **east**, and from the **west**, and from the **north**, and from the **south**, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God.

**Eze 1:22** And the likeness of the firmament **upon the heads of the living creature was as the colour of the terrible crystal**, stretched forth over their heads above.

**Joe 2:31** The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and **the terrible day of the LORD come**.

**Crystal** 7140 from 7139 ice (as if bald, i.e. smooth); hence, hail...ice.

7139 a primitive root; to depilate:--make (self) bald.

**Mic 1:16** **Make thee bald**, and poll thee for thy delicate children; **enlarge thy baldness as the eagle**; for they are gone into captivity from thee.

**Eze 1:26** And above the firmament that was over their heads was the likeness of a throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone: and upon the likeness of the throne was the likeness as the appearance of a man above upon it.

**Eze 2:1** ¶ And he said unto me, Son of man, stand upon thy feet, and I will speak unto thee. 2 And the spirit entered into me when he spake unto me, and set me upon my feet, that I heard him that spake unto me. 3 And he said unto me, Son of man, **I send thee to the children of Israel, to a rebellious nation that hath rebelled against me: they and their fathers have transgressed against me, even unto this very day.** 4 For they are impudent children and stiffhearted. I do send thee unto them; and thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD. 5 And they, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear, (for they are a rebellious house,) yet shall know that there hath been a prophet among them. 6 ¶ **And thou, son of man, be not afraid of them, neither be afraid of their words, though briars and thorns be with thee, and thou dost dwell among scorpions: be not afraid of their words, nor be dismayed at their looks, though they be a rebellious house.**

Prior to another rendering of this vision is Ezekiel chapter 9. The men with the slaughter weapons and the one man that places a seal upon the men that sigh and cry for the abominations done in Israel.

**Eze 10:1** ¶ Then I looked, and, behold, in the firmament that was above the head of the cherubims there appeared over them as it were a sapphire stone, as the appearance of the likeness of a throne. 2 And he spake unto the man clothed with linen, and said, Go in between the wheels, even under the cherub, and fill thine hand with coals of fire from between the cherubims, and scatter them over the city. And he went in in my sight. 3 Now the cherubims stood on the right side of the house, when the man went in; and the cloud filled the inner court. 4 Then the glory of the LORD went up from the cherub, and stood over the threshold of the house; and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the brightness of the LORD'S glory. 5 And the sound of the cherubims' wings was heard even to the outer court, as the voice of the Almighty God when he speaketh. 6 And it came to pass, **that when he had commanded the man clothed with linen, saying, Take fire from between the wheels, from between the**

**cherubims; then he went in, and stood beside the wheels. 7 And one cherub stretched forth his hand from between the cherubims unto the fire that was between the cherubims, and took thereof, and put it into the hands of him that was clothed with linen: who took it, and went out. 8 ¶** And there appeared in the cherubims the form of a man's hand under their wings. 9 And when I looked, behold the four wheels by the cherubims, one wheel by one cherub, and another wheel by another cherub: and the appearance of the wheels was as the colour of a beryl stone. 10 And as for their appearances, they four had one likeness, as if a wheel had been in the midst of a wheel. 11 When they went, they went upon their four sides; they turned not as they went, but to the place whither the head looked they followed it; they turned not as they went. 12 And their whole body, and their backs, and their hands, and their wings, and the wheels, were full of eyes round about, even the wheels that they four had. 13 As for the wheels, it was cried unto them in my hearing, O wheel. 14 **And every one had four faces: the first face was the face of a cherub, and the second face was the face of a man, and the third the face of a lion, and the fourth the face of an eagle.** 15 And the cherubims were lifted up. This is the living creature that I saw by the river of Chebar. 16 And when the cherubims went, the wheels went by them: and when the cherubims lifted up their wings to mount up from the earth, the same wheels also turned not from beside them. 17 When they stood, these stood; and when they were lifted up, these lifted up themselves also: for the spirit of the living creature was in them. 18 **Then the glory of the LORD departed from off the threshold of the house, and stood over the cherubims. 19 And the cherubims lifted up their wings, and mounted up from the earth in my sight:** when they went out, the wheels also were beside them, **and every one stood at the door of the east gate of the LORD'S house; and the glory of the God of Israel was over them above.** 20 This is the living creature that I saw under the God of Israel by the river of Chebar; and I knew that they were the cherubims. 21 Every one had four faces apiece, and every one four wings; and the likeness of the hands of a man was under their wings. 22 **And the likeness of their faces was the same faces which I saw by the river of Chebar, their appearances and themselves:** they went every one straight forward.

**Cherubim** 3742...a cherub or imaginary figure...

**Cherubim** Webster's : a winged heavenly being described in Ezekiel 1:5-11; a person, especially a child, with a sweet, innocent face.

**Re 12:4** And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, **for to devour her child as soon as it was born.**

**Mr 10:15** Verily I say unto you, **Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child,** he shall not enter therein.

**Mt 18:5** And whoso shall receive one such little child in my name receiveth me.