

Going Deeper – Daily

Additional questions that may help guide your daily observations and applications included in *The Whole Story Devotional Guide – The Prophets*

Week 14:

- 1 Kings 17: Observe – Israel and Judah had many kings before the exile - some good and some bad. But God continued to speak His Word to them through the prophets. This often made them less than popular! How did God care for Elijah from when he gave Ahab the news of the drought until it was over?
Apply – Have you ever experienced God's supernatural care during a difficult time? Explain.
- 1 Kings 18: Observe – List the courageous things Elijah did in this chapter.
Apply – Where did his strength come from? In what area of your life do you need that same strength today?
- 1 Kings 19: Observe – What surprises you about Elijah's behavior after the events of Chapter 18? What surprises you about God's behavior in response to Elijah?
Apply – How have you personally experienced God's compassion? To whom do you need to extend compassion?
- Psalms 115: Observe – Why do you think this particular Psalm was chosen at this particular time?
Apply – How have you witnessed the truth of verse 8?
- 2 Kings 1: Observe – Why do you think people seek knowledge from other sources instead of God?
Apply – What questions are on your mind today? Where will you go with them?
- 2 Kings 2: Observe – What exactly was happening in the similar scenes repeated in vss. 1-3, 4-5, 6? What encouragement did God give Elisha as he stepped into Elijah's shoes?
Apply – How has God affirmed His call on your life?

Week 15:

- Ezekiel 1: Observe – Summarize what Ezekiel saw. What was his reaction to the appearance of the likeness of the Lord?
Apply – At the beginning of Ezekiel chapter 2, the Lord tells Ezekiel to stand up - but it took help for him to do so. Has there been a time when you laid face down in front of the Lord in prayer? Explain.
- Ezekiel 24 & 37: Observe – What does the Lord say about the impending disaster for Jerusalem? What is the Lord's purpose? (Chapter 24). What does the Lord tell Ezekiel in chapter 37 about the healing the nation of Israel to come?
Apply – Ezekiel had to quietly mourn a great loss in his life. Have you ever had to keep something tragic or serious quiet from those around you? How did you find comfort?
- Daniel 1 & 2: Observe – Outline what you learned about Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah. What was the core of Nebuchadnezzar's dream? And Daniel's interpretation?

Apply – Daniel was bold to ask the king's servant to make exceptions to the rules for himself and the others. Why do you think what he asked for mattered so much that he would take such a risk? Who else took a risk?

Daniel 9 & 10: Observe – Summarize Daniel's prayer (chapter 9) and his vision (chapter 10).
Apply – What was Daniel told in Daniel 10:19 to give him hope? Do you find strength in the Lord? Why or why not?

Jeremiah 1 & 25: Observe – In chapter 1, Jeremiah was called to be a prophet. Outline what he heard. In chapter 25, Judah is warned – again. What had they done to displease the Lord?
Apply – We have seen Israel disobey the Lord again and again. What is at the root of their disobedience? Is there a hint of anything similar in my life?
Discuss it with the Lord.

Jeremiah 29 & 30: Observe – The Lord promises to rescue His people from exile. Summarize what has happened and what the Lord said was to come.
Apply – Make a list of all that the Lord says He will restore. Circle anything on the list that applies to you today. Pray for restoration in those areas.

Week 16:

Isaiah 1: Observe – What was the Lord weary of? What was Israel to do?
Apply – Verses 18 and 19 offer hope. How will that come?

Isaiah 2: Observe – Write an outline of what Isaiah saw.
Apply – In verse 5, Isaiah encouraged Israel to do something. What? Why? Explain.

Isaiah 9: Observe – In verses 6-7, Isaiah gives great hope – summarize what he wrote.
Apply – What brings you hope today as we start the advent season?

Isaiah 40: Observe – Write out what the prophet Isaiah heard about the goodness of the Lord.
Apply – Choose one of these and explain how it brings you comfort today.

Isaiah 51: Observe – The Lord is calling His people to do what? Why?
Apply – “Listen”, “awake”, “lift your eyes” – which of these do I need to do most today? Write a short plan.

Isaiah 61: Observe – Isaiah responds to God's promises of hope and restoration in verses 10-11. What did the Lord promise and to whom?
Apply – Are these promises evident today? Explain.