## "The Book Of Ezekiel: A Biblical Overview of Cherubim" (Part 2) Ezekiel 1:5-28

"Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and how inscrutable His ways." (Romans 11:33)

"Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, to whom belong wisdom and might. He changes times and seasons; He removes kings and sets up kings; He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding." (Daniel 2:20-21)

"Long ago, at many times and **in many ways**, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days **He has spoken to us by His Son...**" (Hebrews 1:1-2a)

- Unpacking the vision... "the heavens were opened, and I saw visions of God." (1:1)
  - Judah and Israel were under the Judgment/Discipline of God (Jeremiah 25:4-7; Ezekiel 1:4).
  - The vision ends with the Pre-Incarnate Christ (Ezekiel 1:26-28; Isaiah 6:1-7; John 12:37-43).
    - John 12:37-43:
      - "Though He (Jesus) had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in Him (Jesus)." (cf. Jeremiah 25:4)
      - "This was to fulfill (in the truest sense) the word of Isaiah the prophet which he spoke...."
      - "Isaiah said these things because he saw His (Jesus) glory and spoke of Him (Jesus)." (cf. Isaiah 6:1-10)
    - Isaiah 6:1-7
      - "I saw the LORD (Jesus) sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up...." (cf. Ezekiel 1:26)
      - "And seated above the likeness of a throne was a likeness with a human appearance." (1:26)
      - Both environments were filled with angels and glory and awe and reverence.
      - The bow (Revelation 4:3) is a reminder of the Covenant of Genesis 9:11-17.
        - God is a God of grace and wrath; promises and warnings; and a God who
          is faithful to His Covenants/Word. He will accomplish His redeeming plan
          for mankind.
    - The appearance of the Cherubim (Numbers 2:1-34)
      - "The people of Israel shall camp each by his own standard, with the banners of their fathers' houses. They shall camp facing the tent of meeting on every side."
        - Judah to the east (Lion); Reuben to the south (Man); Ephraim to the west
           (Ox); Dan to the north (Eagle).
        - "And in you (Abraham/Israel) all the families of earth shall be blessed."
           (Genesis 12:3) "For salvation is from the Jews." (John 4:22)

## **Announcements:**

- ★<u>DONATIONS:</u> Throughout the month of September we are collecting monetary donations for the Christian Union Co-op. This is the general fund out of which the denomination aids individual churches within the denomination, as well as paying for repairs and upkeep of the State Home Office. The money we are collecting will go directly towards repairs that need to be done to the grounds and to the kitchen. There is a container on the back table for your monetary donations. You can also give on Venmo, please make sure to note that it is for Christian Union.
- ★LEGACY THEOLOGY PRACTICUM: THIS Monday, September 9th we begin our Practicum and we are offering "Basic Greek" and "God and Revelation" for our first course. This will be from September 9th through November 25th. "Basic Greek" will be from 6-7pm and "God and Revelation" will be from 7-9pm each Monday. If interested in any of these Courses, please let Elder Richard or Elder Zach know so we can prepare a Syllabus for you for the Course.
- ★CITIZENS CONCERT: Christina is arranging a group trip to see Citizens in Columbus on Sunday, September 15th. Online tickets are \$18 a person. Please let Christina know if you are interested in going so she can arrange carpooling. (740)755-6512
- ★FELLOWSHIP LUNCH: We are having a Fellowship Lunch THIS Sunday, September 8th, immediately following the worship service. There is a sign-up list on the table in the entryway, please sign-up to bring something to the meal. EVERYONE is invited to stay to enjoy the food and the fellowship with us!