

Ezekiel 24:15–27 shows that

The Death of Ezekiel’s wife was / is ...

ABOVE ALL ABOUT

God’s people & Loss

(fill in the blank)

great personal loss but not mourned publicly

(24:15–17)

mourned

in private (24:17)

(fill in the blank)

Ezekiel’s

most personal message

(fill in the blank)

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humbly

accepted by Ezekiel (24:17)

(fill in the blank)

pointing to the

need to accept God’s will

(fill in the blank)

faced

biblically, not Stoically

(fill in the blank)

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not to be

celebrated (24:16, 25:3)

(fill in the blank)

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probably

widely known

(fill in the blank)

about serving

God while still grieving

(fill in the blank)

the key

turning point

(From 25:1 on, it’s mostly up.)

fatal

but not final (2 Cor. 5:6)

(fill in the blank)

exactly as/like

predicted & linked

(fill in the blank)

at the low point

of the Book of

Ezekiel

special

to the Lord (Psa. 116:15)

(fill in the blank)

showing that

God is in control

(fill in the blank)

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somewhat like

Job’s personal losses

(fill in the blank)

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unlike

Sapphira’s death (Acts 5:10)

(fill in the blank)

part of

a numbing series of losses

(fill in the blank)

not because of

specific personal sin

(fill in the blank)

associated with

deep national sorrow

(fill in the blank)

closely linked to the temple’s destruction

(24:21, 25)

like & unlike

the temple’s destruction (24:21)

(fill in the blank)

Directions:

After reading Ezekiel 24:15-27 and browsing through the near and far contexts in a good study Bible, consider and discuss how the death of Ezekiel’s wife is described above. Do you agree with the points made? Would you add any new ones? — At the end of the study, consider and discuss what you believe are the most important points and make personal applications based on such. *How was Ezekiel able to continue to serve the Lord despite suffering such a great personal loss?* — © 2023 by Jon F. Mahar, Hakusan City, Japan and Alexander, Maine, U.S.A. [Special thanks to Robert Martin for helping with this study.]