

## The Glory of the Lord that Ezekiel Saw

What do you understand by the glory of the Lord? Each one to explain.

Can you glorify God - Yes/No. If YES, how? If NO, why?

Answer: John 5:41 I do not receive glory from people.

We can only know what we are told.

The Glory of the Lord in Ezekiel

Need to see something of Glory in the New Testament  
in the Old Testament then as the word is used in Ezekiel.

So take your shoes from off your feet, for the ground upon which you walk is holy  
God's intention in creation is His glory. Isaiah 43:7,

His dealings with us is in mercy, but it is for His own sake and glory. Isaiah 48.11.

The Glory of God is the overarching attribute of His nature and His end in all.

In Himself: His spirituality, His infinity, His perfection.

In His works: His immensity and eternity, His omniscience, omnipotence,  
omnipresence.

In His relationships: His veracity and faithfulness we call truth, His mercy and  
goodness we call love, His Justice and righteousness we know as holiness.

It follows that whenever God reveals Himself He must do so according to His glory.

John 17:4&5 I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave  
me to do. And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had  
with you before the world existed.

Luke 9:29-32 And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and  
his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were talking with him,  
Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was  
about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and those who were with him were  
heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two  
men who stood with him.

We cannot add to the glory of God:

John 5:41 I do not receive glory from people.

But by faith share in the glory of God in Him;

John 5:44 How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and do  
not seek the glory that comes from the only God?

2 Corinthians 4:6&7 For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone  
in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of  
Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing  
power belongs to God and not to us.

God is glorified in us, rather than by us, when we allow God to be Himself in us.

2 Thessalonians 1:10 when he comes on that day to be glorified in his saints, and to be marveled at  
among all who have believed, because our testimony to you was believed.

John 15:8 By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

"As the glory of God is the revelation and manifestation of all that He has and is..., it  
is said of a Self-revelation in which God manifests all the goodness that is His."

W.E.Vine.

The fulness and perfection of the revelation of God to man is in the person of Jesus  
Christ. Therefore we cannot see this completion in the Old Testament. There is there  
rather a foreshadowing of Him who was then to come. As revelation upon revelation  
of God to man continued there was an increasing knowledge as time passed.

Glory in the English (KJV translation) comes from 10 Hebrew words with different or varied meanings. Not all instances relate to God, some describe, men or other natural phenomenon.

Order: Meaning, Word N°. Usage, Also means other words translated from the Hebrew.  
Adornment 155, 1. Zechariah 11:3. Also Garment, mantle, robe, goodly  
Honour as an adornment 1926,5. Psalm 90:16. Also majesty, excellency  
Honour as an adornment 1925, 1. Dan 11:20. Only found in this verse  
Honour as beauty 1935, 9. Psalm 8.1. Also comeliness, majesty.  
Purity as cleanness 4480+2892, 1. Psalm 89.44. Also clearness, purifying  
Rare and thus precious 3369, 5. In Daniel only. Daniel 5.20. Aramaic, price  
Honour, Weight or repute\* 3519, 200. Kabod. Ezekiel 1:28. Also, honour.  
Desirable beauty\* 6643, 7. Ezekiel 20.6. Also goodly, beauty, pleasant.  
Beauty of Glory\* 8597, 21. Ezekiel 24;25. Also bravery, honour, excellence etc.  
Honour 3519, 1. Psalm 79:9.  
\* Ezekiel only used these three words.

Glory of the Lord is in keeping with the revelation of God Himself.  
the glory of the country  
Glory of the Lord revealed to Noah in the rainbow as evidence and seal of His covenant.  
Hebrews 12:28&9 Let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe for our God is a consuming fire.

Moses in fire, a symbol of cleansing, judgement, the fire did not consume the bush.  
On the mountain,  
Exodus 19:17-19 Then Moses brought the people out of the camp to meet God, and they took their stand at the foot of the mountain. Now Mount Sinai was wrapped in smoke because the LORD had descended on it in fire. The smoke of it went up like the smoke of a kiln, and the whole mountain trembled greatly. And as the sound of the trumpet grew louder and louder, Moses spoke, and God answered him in thunder.  
Exodus 34:29-30 When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him.

For Elijah,  
1 Kings 18:37-39 Answer me, O LORD, answer me . . . Then the fire of the LORD fell and consumed the burnt offering and the wood and the stones and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench. And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces and said, "The LORD, he is God; the LORD, he is God."

To Daniel to revelation was most realistic  
Daniel 10:5&6 I lifted up my eyes and looked, and behold, a man clothed in linen, with a belt of fine gold from Uphaz around his waist. His body was like beryl, his face like the appearance of lightning, his eyes like flaming torches, his arms and legs like the gleam of burnished bronze, and the sound of his words like the sound of a multitude.

The Lord met with Moses between the cherubim

Exodus 25:1 And the Lord said to Moses . . .

:21&22 And you shall put the mercy seat on the top of the ark, and in the ark you shall put the testimony that I shall give you. I will meet with you, and from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubim that are on the ark of the testimony, I will speak with you about all that I will give you in commandment for the people of Israel.

Gen 3:24 He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.

Isaiah 6:6&7 Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

Glory of the Lord in Ezekiel Is a symbolic and evident presence of the Lord Himself see 9:3

23 references in 20 verses.

1:28. A description of the cherubim.

Ezekiel 1:26-28 seated above the likeness of a throne was a likeness with a human appearance. And upward from what had the appearance of his waist I saw as it were gleaming metal, like the appearance of fire enclosed all around. And downward from what had the appearance of his waist I saw as it were the appearance of fire, and there was brightness around him. Like the appearance of the bow that is in the cloud on the day of rain, so was the appearance of the brightness all around. Such was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the LORD. And when I saw it, I fell on my face, and I heard the voice of one speaking.

3:12, Blessed be the glory of the Lord.

3:23. In the valley the glory of the Lord stood there.

Eze 3:23 So I arose and went out into the valley, and behold, the glory of the LORD stood there, like the glory that I had seen by the Chebar canal, and I fell on my face.

8:4. In his vision, the glory of the Lord stood there, as in the valley.

Ezekiel 8:4 And behold, the glory of the God of Israel was there, like the vision that I saw in the valley.

9:3. The glory of the Lord went in judgement from the cherub to the threshold of the house.

Ezekiel 9:3 Now the glory of the God of Israel had gone up from the cherub on which it rested to the threshold of the house.

2 Chronicles 7:1&2 As soon as Solomon finished his prayer, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices, and the glory of the LORD filled the temple. And the priests could not enter the house of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD filled the LORD's house.

10:4, Glory went to threshold and house was filled with cloud

Ezekiel 10:2-4 Fill your hands with burning coals from between the cherubim, and

scatter them over the city." And he went in before my eyes. Now the cherubim were standing on the south side of the house, when the man went in, and a cloud filled the inner court. And the glory of the LORD went up from the cherub to the threshold of the house, and the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was filled with the brightness of the glory of the LORD.

**10:18, Glory of the Lord went out of temple to the gate over cherubim**

Eze 10:18 Then the glory of the LORD went out from the threshold of the house, and stood over the cherubim.

**10:19. Glory of the Lord stood over cherubim at Eastern threshold**

(25 men, princes, devising iniquity in the presence of he glory of the Lord)

**11:22, 23. Glory of the Lord moved to the mountain to the east of the city.**

24:25. ref to siege of Jerusalem & the glory of its people

25:9. Is a ref to the glory of the country.

28:22. Against Sidon, Lord to manifest His glory in your midst.

31:18. Allegory of the cedar tree which is the glory of the trees.

39.13. Burying the dead enemies indicates the glory of the Lord.

39.21. Set His glory among nations. Israel will know I am the Lord from that day on.

43.2. Behold glory of Lord coming from East.

43.4. Glory of Lord entered temple from East.

43:5. The Glory filled the temple. His place forever

Eze 43:2-7 And behold, the glory of the God of Israel was coming from the east.

And the sound of his coming was like the sound of many waters, and the earth shone with his glory. And the vision I saw was just like the vision that I had seen when he came to destroy the city, and just like the vision that I had seen by the Chebar canal. And I fell on my face. As the glory of the LORD entered the temple by the gate facing east, the Spirit lifted me up and brought me into the inner court; and behold, the glory of the LORD filled the temple.

Eze 43:6 While the man was standing beside me, I heard one speaking to me out of the temple, and he said to me, "Son of man, this is the place of my throne and the place of the soles of my feet, where I will dwell in the midst of the people of Israel forever. And the house of Israel shall no more defile my holy name, neither they, nor their kings, by their whoring and by the dead bodies of their kings at their high places, The glory of the Lord filled the temple.