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Bible Study: Ezekiel 45

Theme: Holiness, Justice, and Order in Worship and Governance

Context:

Ezekiel 45 is part of the final section of the book (chapters 40–48), which presents a vision of a restored temple, a renewed Israel, and God’s presence returning to dwell among His people. This chapter focuses on the division of land, sacred offerings, and the responsibilities of the prince—emphasizing worship, holiness, and justice in the community.

Key Sections & Insights:

1. Division of the Holy Land (vv. 1–8)

A portion of the land is to be set apart as “holy”, reserved for the Lord, including:

- A sacred district for the temple and the priests.
- Land for the Levites.
- A portion for the city and its workers.
- A portion for the prince.

Insight: God establishes a clear, fair distribution of land, emphasizing order, sacredness, and provision for all who serve in worship and leadership.

2. Call to Justice and Integrity (vv. 9–12)

God rebukes the princes of Israel for violence and oppression. He commands them to practice justice, use honest weights and measures.

Insight: Leadership is accountable before God. Justice and righteousness are not optional—they are part of holy living and faithful worship.

3. Sacrificial System Restored (vv. 13–25)

Instructions for offerings (grain, oil, animals) for:

- Atonement and cleansing of the sanctuary.
- Feasts and holy days, including Passover and the Feast of Tabernacles.

Insight: Worship is at the center of restored life with God. These offerings represent a heart of gratitude, repentance, and devotion to a holy God.

Spiritual Applications:

- God's holiness requires a holy people—our worship, lives, and leadership must reflect His character.
- Justice and honesty matter deeply to God, especially from those in positions of influence.
- Worship is more than ritual; it's about aligning our hearts and community with God's order and will.

Discussion Questions:

- * 1. Why does God command the land to be divided so specifically? What does this teach us about His character and priorities?
- * 2. How can we apply the call to justice (vv. 9–12) in our daily lives, especially in our relationships and responsibilities?
- * 3. What role does worship play in shaping the life of a community, as seen in Ezekiel 45?
- * 4. In what ways does Ezekiel 45 point us forward to Christ, who is both our perfect Priest and King?