

CALL / DEDICATION NARRATIVES

Isaiah 6.1-12

<p>In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. ² Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. ³ And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." ⁴ The pivots¹ on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke.</p>	<p>Theophany</p>
<p>⁵ And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"</p>	<p>Isaiah's Response</p>
<p>⁶ Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. ⁷ The seraph¹ touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out."</p>	<p>Isaiah Cleansed</p>
<p>⁸ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?"</p>	<p>Request</p>
<p>And I said, "Here am I; send me!"</p>	<p>Response</p>
<p>⁹ And he said, "Go and say to this people: 'Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.' ¹⁰ Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed."</p>	<p>God's Command</p>
<p>¹¹ Then I said, "How long, O Lord?"</p>	<p>Response</p>
<p>And he said: "Until cities lie waste without inhabitant, and houses without people, and the land is utterly desolate; ¹² until the LORD sends everyone far away, and vast is the emptiness in the midst of the land.</p>	<p>Judgement</p>

Ezekiel 1-3

^{1,3} the word of the LORD came to the priest Ezekiel son of Buzi, in the land of the Chaldeans by the river Chebar; and the hand of the LORD was on him there.	Word to Ezekiel
1.4-28a As I looked, a stormy wind came out of the north: a great cloud with brightness around it and fire flashing forth continually, and in the middle of the fire, something like gleaming amber. 5 In the middle of it was something like four living creatures. This was their appearance: they were of human form....	Theophany
1:28 When I saw it, I fell on my face, and I heard the voice of someone speaking.	Ezekiel's Response
2:1-2 He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. 2 And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me.	Ezekiel Helped
2.3-5 3 He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel,...	Command
2.6-7 And you, O mortal, do not be afraid of them, and do not be afraid of their words,	Assurance
2:8-3.3 But you, mortal, hear what I say to you; do not be rebellious like that rebellious house; open your mouth and eat what I give you....	Test (Eating Scroll)
3:4-7 4 He said to me: Mortal, go to the house of Israel and speak my very words to them.	God's Command
3:8-9 8 See, I have made your face hard against their faces, and your forehead hard against their foreheads.	Ezekiel Helped
3:10-11 He said to me: Mortal, all my words that I shall speak to you receive in your heart and hear with your ears; 11 then go to the exiles, to your people, and speak to them.	God's Command
3:12-15a Then the spirit lifted me up,...	Spirit Helps
3:15b And I sat there among them, stunned, for seven days.	Response
3:16-21 At the end of seven days, the word of the LORD came to me: 17 Mortal, I have made you a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me...	Command / Judgement

Jeremiah 1

4 Now the word of the LORD came to me saying,	Word to Jeremiah
5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."	Theophany
6 Then I said, "Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy."	Jeremiah's Response
7 But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you.	Command
8 Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD."	Assurance
9 Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth.	Word in Mouth
10 See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."	God's Command
The word of the LORD came to me, saying, "Jeremiah, what do you see?" And I said, "I see a branch of an almond tree."...	Confirmation
17 But you, gird up your loins; stand up and tell them everything that I command you.	God's Command
Do not break down before them, or I will break you before them. 18 And I for my part have made you today a fortified city, an iron pillar, and a bronze wall, against the whole land -- against the kings of Judah, its princes, its priests, and the people of the land. 19 They will fight against you; but they shall not prevail against you, for I am with you, says the LORD, to deliver you.	Spirit Helps
13 The word of the LORD came to me a second time, saying, "What do you see?" And I said, "I see a boiling pot, tilted away from the north." 14 Then the LORD said to me: Out of the north disaster shall break out on all the inhabitants of the land. ...	(Boiling Pot) Judgement

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