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## Who is the prince in the book of Ezekiel?

The prince that is identified in the later chapters of the book of Ezekiel is a special prince that is associated with being the just and rightful ruler over all of the land of Israel. As we look at the study, let us break that identification into more manageable parts.

1. What are we told about the domain of rule of the prince?

Ezekiel **37:24-26** Ezekiel **45:6-7** 

Revelation 21:1-5

The prince identified in the book of Ezekiel shall dwell and thus reign in the land of God's people. His kingdom will be an everlasting kingdom. The prince will have his dwelling place in the new Jerusalem that is hard against the holy section of the whole land of the new Israel. This new, restored Israel is the New/Heavenly Jerusalem. From the very foundation of the nation, the LORD, YHWH, was to be king but since the nation of Israel rejected YHWH as king, YHWH left them in the hands of another king but He will restore His position as king.

2. What are we told about some of the actions of the prince?

Ezekiel **34:21-26** Ezekiel **44:1-4** cmp Ezekiel **43:1-4** 

Ezekiel **45:16-17** cmp Hebrews 7:11-16 Hebrews 7:25-28 Genesis49:10 Ezekiel 46:1-7 Hebrews 9:12-14 Ezekiel **46:8-12** 

The prince that is found to be in the book of Ezekiel is identified as being related to David. As such, he is assured to have reign as a promise from God. Associated with this prince will be a new covenant of peace and of blessings. We are told that the prince will enter, eat, and exit by the east gate. That gate is furthermore identified as the path that YHWH will pass through into the city. This indirectly identifies the prince as YHWH Himself. We are told that the prince will offer sacrifices, since the prince is identified as being YHWH, the offering that He will offer up is Himself, Jesus Christ.

3. What are we told about the character of the prince?

Ezekiel **45:21-22** cmp Hebrews **7:25-28** Ezekiel **46:16-18** cmp Hebrews **4:15** 

Romans **8:16-19** 1 Samuel **8:7** John **1:47-51** Luke **1:30-3**3

The prince as described in Ezekiel is a prince who perfectly carries out the Law of God without any errors or mistakes. All that belongs to the prince will be rightly identified as also belonging to the children of the prince. We know that the proper king of Israel is Jesus the Christ.