



## TODAY WITH EZEKIEL VOLUMES 1 AND 2

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### **Introductory Series in Prophecy Today - Tom Lennie**

I was delighted when Cliff contacted me to offer PT a 10-part, ready-made Lenten series of studies which would help bring alive for today the book of Ezekiel, and in particular the first several chapters. We were told that these would be adapted from Cliff's two volume-book on the prophet.

We're always delighted at *Prophecy Today* to be offered an article that we consider relevant to the ethos of our ministry – and especially when its well written and well presented, containing the essential elements of a sound introduction, a main body, and a conclusion – and Cliff's articles always contain these.

But here he was offering us not just one short article, but 10, which would run all the way through the first 3 months of 2024, up to Good Friday. Clearly we weren't going to say no – and we're glad we didn't.

We've been pleased with the result – 10 fine short studies, easy to read, and each with a separate and distinct teaching – be that Ezekiel's call to ministry, the beginning of his mission, Ezekiel the watchman, or the valley of the dry bones. But it's important to remember that the studies that PT published comprise only a fraction of what is covered in these two books. And they truly are beautiful productions. Remember, we published a total of 10 short chapters – Volume 1 contains 68 chapters alone.

Unquestionably, Cliff has long been one of Britain's finest scholars of the Old Testament prophets, with a string of published books and booklets on various related topics. These include the formidable *Prophecy Past and Present* (that's going back a few years), the unique study, *Living in Babylon* (and its companion *Living Victoriously in Babylon* – both of which were co-written with Monica, and a series of individual studies centring on Isaiah and Jeremiah, all part of the series '*Today with the Prophets*'. And we hear through the grapevine that another volume is near to complete – this time on the not-so-'minor' prophets, Amos and Hosea.

So, yes, I very much welcome these two volumes on Ezekiel, which will surely serve to enrich believers' knowledge of the word of God, and reveal the remarkable ways in which a charismatic and at times somewhat eccentric prophet from 2-and-a-half thousand years ago are still highly relevant today.