

# Ezekiel 17:11

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

## Analysis

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'The word of the LORD came unto me' marks transition from parable to interpretation. This phrase appears over 50 times in Ezekiel, authenticating divine revelation. The shift demonstrates God's pastoral concern that His people understand judgment's reasons. Unlike cryptic pagan divination, biblical prophecy clarifies God's purposes.

## Historical Context

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Ezekiel's ministry (593-571 BC) occurred in Babylonian exile, yet addressed Jerusalem's inhabitants. Interpretation would have been communicated through letters or travelers, providing divine commentary on current events. Exiles needed to understand their suffering resulted from covenant violation.

## Related Passages

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**Psalm 19:1** — Heavens declare God's glory

**Colossians 1:16** — All things created through Christ

## Study Questions

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1. How attentively do we listen when God explains His purposes in Scripture?
2. Why is understanding the 'why' of God's actions crucial for faithful response?

## Interlinear Text

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