

# Ezekiel 3:13

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

I heard also the noise of the wings of the living creatures that touched one another, and the noise of the wheels over against them, and a noise of a great rushing.

## Analysis

The 'noise of the wings of the living creatures' touching each other creates an overwhelming auditory experience accompanying the visual glory. Wings touching in worship and coordinated motion produces sound testifying to God's presence. The description emphasizes the sensory totality of encountering divine glory—not merely visual, but auditory. Creation itself makes noise in worship, setting the pattern for human praise.

## Historical Context

Ancient Near Eastern theophanies often included overwhelming sensory experiences—Moses' burning bush crackled, Sinai thundered and smoked, Isaiah's temple shook. Ezekiel's vision continues this pattern: divine revelation overwhelms human senses, demanding total attention. The exile context meant this vision came far from Jerusalem's temple, yet manifested the same overwhelming glory.

## Related Passages

**Ephesians 2:8** — Salvation by grace through faith

**Romans 10:9** — Confession and belief for salvation

## Study Questions

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1. How does the auditory dimension of this vision remind us that worship engages our entire being, not merely intellectual assent?
2. What does creation's noise in God's presence teach us about all reality testifying to divine glory?

## Interlinear Text

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אֲשֶׁר	הָ	מִשְׁיכָוֹת	בְּמִ	וְתַ	כְּנָפָ	יְ	וְلִ	אֲלֵ
I heard also the noise	of the wings	of the living creatures	that touched	one				
H6963	H3671	H2416	H5401	H802				
אֲלֵ	אֲחֹתָה	וְלִ	בְּאֹפָה	יְ	לְעַמֶּת	מְ	בְּאֹפָה	יְ
H413	another	I heard also the noise	of the wheels	over against				
H269	H6963	H212	H5980					
וְלִ	בְּעַשְׁ	גָּדוֹלָה						
I heard also the noise	rushing	of a great						
H6963	H7494	H1419						

## Additional Cross-References

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**Ezekiel 1:24** (Parallel theme): And when they went, I heard the noise of their wings, like the noise of great waters, as the voice of the Almighty, the voice of speech, as the noise of an host: when they stood, they let down their wings.

**Ezekiel 10:5** (Parallel theme): And the sound of the cherubims' wings was heard even to the outer court, as the voice of the Almighty God when he speaketh.