

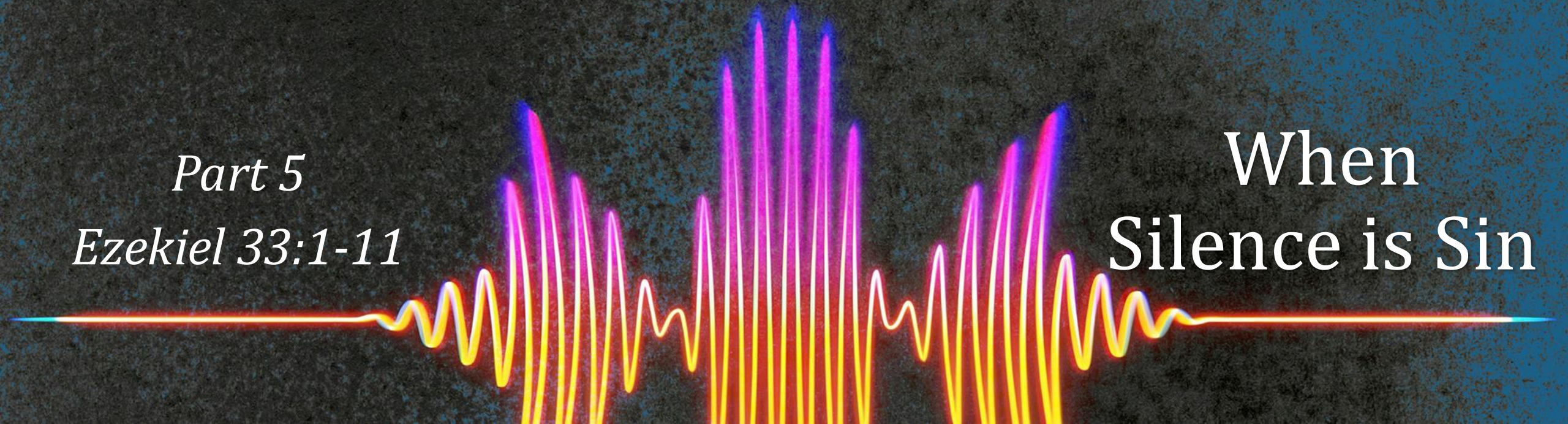
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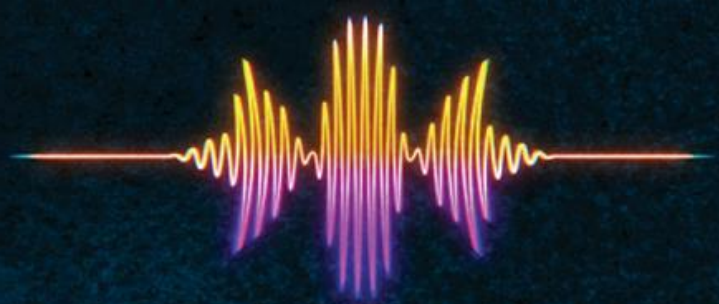
DEATH AND LIFE ARE IN THE POWER OF THE TONGUE... – PROVERBS 18:21

Part 5

Ezekiel 33:1-11

When
Silence is Sin





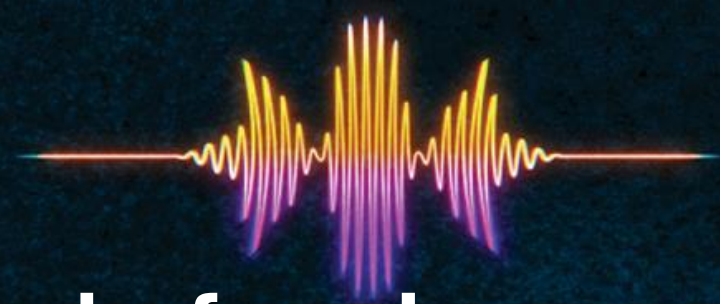
How Wise People Talk

1. **Wise people listen before they speak** (*Pr. 18:13*).
2. **Wise people heal instead of harm** (*Pr. 12:18*).
3. **Wise people treasure truth** (*Pr. 12:22*).
4. **Wise people protect instead of gossip** (*Pr. 11:13*).
5. **Wise people speak the right word at the right time** (*Pr. 25:11*).

**Sometimes our greatest failure isn't
what comes out of our mouths.
*It's what never comes out at all.***



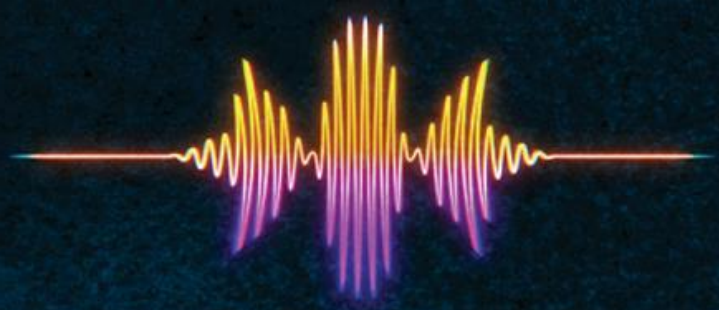
The Setting - Ezekiel



- **Ezekiel is a PROPHET - lived 600 years before Jesus**
 - *A prophet was a person God chose to speak His message to His people.*
- **He preached during one of the darkest seasons in Israel's history.**
 - *Jerusalem is under judgment.*
 - *The people have ignored God's voice for years.*
 - *The city is facing disaster.*
- **Through Ezekiel, God is giving both hard warnings and incredible promises of hope and restoration.**

A Watchman



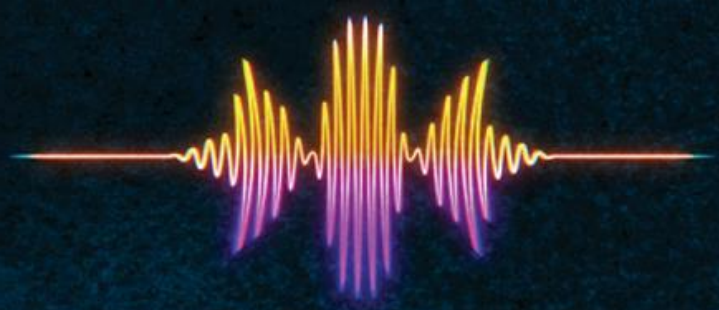


Ezekiel 33 Lessons

- 1. God holds us responsible for the truth entrusted to us (vv. 1-6).**

**When God gives you the ability
to see, He also gives you the
responsibility to speak.**





Ezekiel 33 Lessons

- 2. Silence isn't always sinful, but when loves stays silent, someone pays the price (vv. 7-9).**
- 3. The greatest enemy of obedience is often quiet fear (vv. 7-9).**

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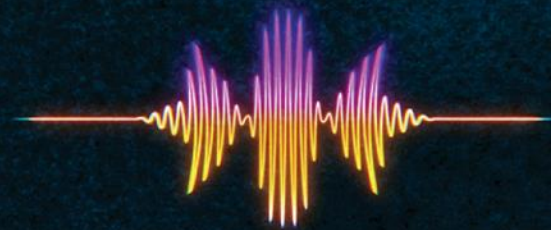
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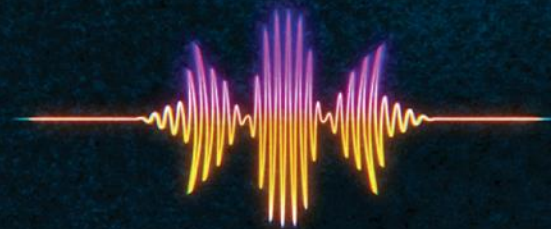
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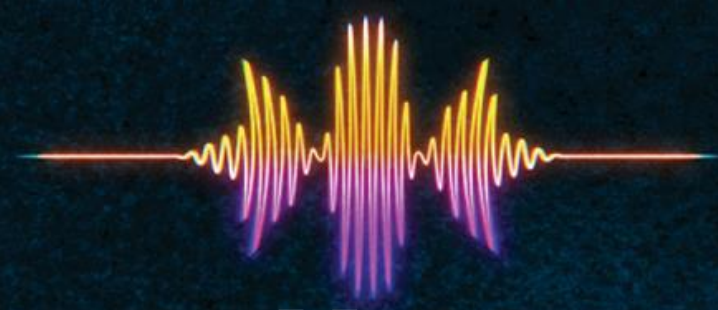
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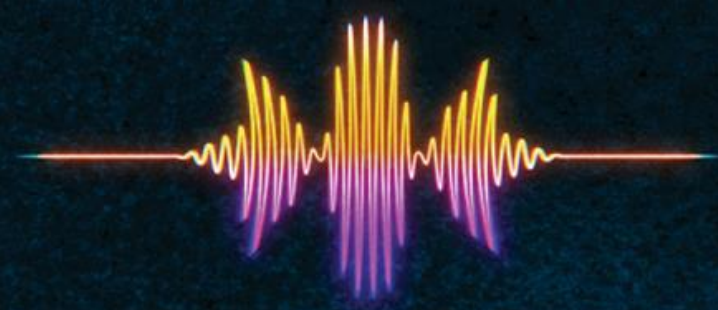


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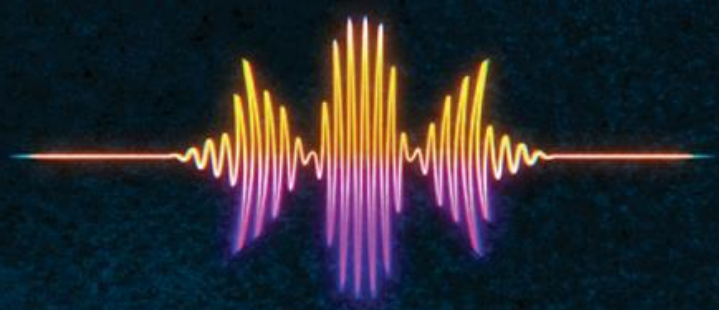


**Every believer eventually
has an Esther moment.**

*When silence feels safer, but
speaking is more faithful*

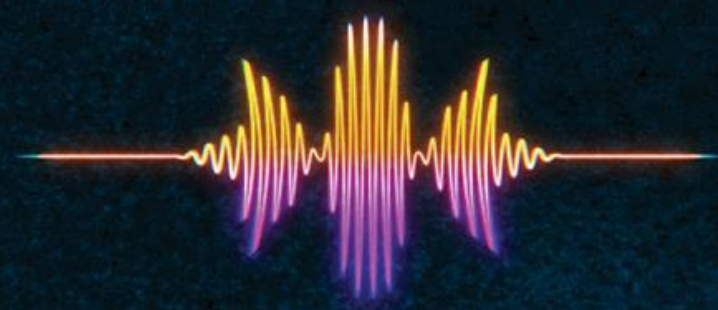


**Where God has placed you
is part of how God plans
to reach someone else.**

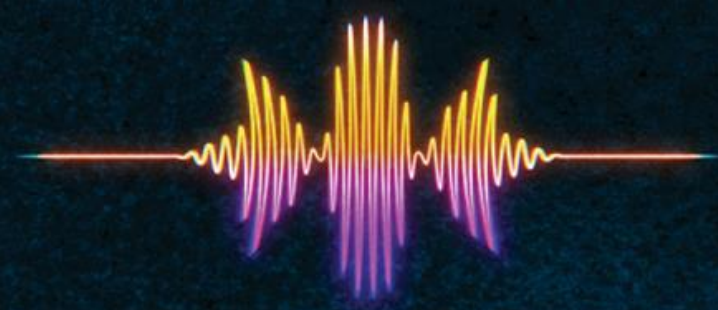


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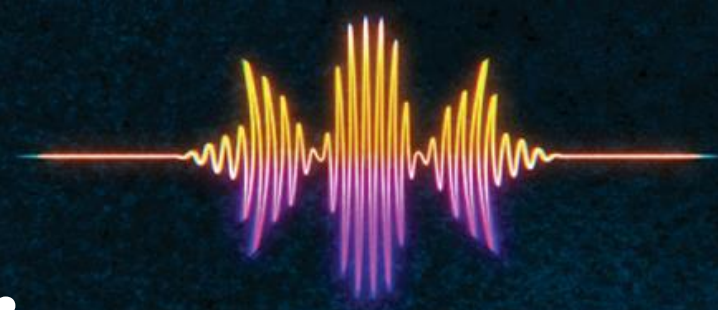
4. The trumpet is an expression of God's love (vv. 10-11).



God warns because He loves.



**Love doesn't stay silent
when silence would cost
someone else.**



Sometimes silence becomes sin ...

- 1. When someone needs the hope of Christ.**
- 2. When someone is walking toward destruction.**
- 3. When truth needs to be spoken with grace.**
- 4. When reconciliation is waiting for one person to begin.**
- 5. When someone has no voice.**

**Who is asleep in
your life?**