



1 Now it came to pass in the thirtieth^{H7970} year^{H8141}, in the fourth^{H7243} month, in the fifth^{H2568} day of the month^{H2320}, as I was among^{H8432} the captives^{H1473} by the river^{H5104} of Chebar^{H3529}, that the heavens^{H8064} were opened^{H6605}, and I saw^{H7200} visions^{H4759} of God^{H430}. 2 In the fifth^{H2568} day of the month^{H2320}, which was the fifth^{H2549} year^{H8141} of king^{H4428} Jehoiachin's^{H3112} captivity^{H1546}, 3 The word^{H1697} of the LORD^{H3068} came expressly unto Ezekiel^{H3168} the priest^{H3548}, the son^{H1121} of Buzi^{H941}, in the land^{H776} of the Chaldeans^{H3778} by the river^{H5104} Chebar^{H3529}, and the hand^{H3027} of the LORD^{H3068} was there upon him.²

4 And I looked^{H7200}, and, behold, a whirlwind^{H7307} came^{H935} out of the north^{H6828}, a great^{H1419} cloud^{H6051}, and a fire^{H784} infolding^{H3947} itself, and a brightness^{H5051} was about^{H5439} it, and out of the midst^{H8432} thereof as the colour^{H5869} of amber^{H2830}, out of the midst^{H8432} of the fire^{H784}. 5 Also out of the midst^{H8432} thereof came the likeness^{H1823} of four^{H702} living creatures^{H2416}. And this was their appearance^{H4758}, they^{H2007} had the likeness^{H1823} of a man^{H120}. 6 And every one^{H259} had four^{H702} faces^{H6440}, and every one^{H259} had four^{H702} wings^{H3671}. 7 And their feet^{H7272} were straight^{H3477}; and the sole^{H3709} of their feet^{H7272} was like the sole^{H3709} of a calf's^{H5695} foot^{H7272}: and they sparkled^{H5340} like the colour^{H5869} of burnished^{H7044} brass^{H5178}. 8 And they had the hands^{H3027} of a man^{H120} under their wings^{H3671} on their four^{H702} sides^{H7253}, and they four^{H702} had their faces^{H6440} and their wings^{H3671}. 9 Their wings^{H3671} were joined^{H2266} one^{H802} to another^{H269}, they turned^{H5437} not when they went^{H3212}; they went^{H3212} every one^{H376} straight^{H5676} forward^{H6440}. 10 As for the likeness^{H1823} of their faces^{H6440}, they four^{H702} had the face^{H6440} of a man^{H120}, and the face^{H6440} of a lion^{H738}, on the right side^{H3225}: and they four^{H702} had the face^{H6440} of an ox^{H7794} on the left side^{H8040}; they four^{H702} also had the face^{H6440} of an eagle^{H5404}. 11 Thus were their faces^{H6440}: and their wings^{H3671} were stretched^{H6504} upward^{H4605}; two^{H8147} wings of every one^{H376} were joined^{H2266} one^{H376} to another^{H376}, and two^{H8147} covered^{H3680} their bodies^{H1472}. 12 And they went^{H3212} every one^{H376} straight^{H5676} forward^{H6440}: whither the spirit^{H7307} was to go^{H3212}, they went^{H3212}; and they turned^{H5437} not when they went^{H3212}. 13 As for the likeness^{H1823} of the living creatures^{H2416}, their appearance^{H4758} was like burning^{H1197} coals^{H1513} of fire^{H784}, and like the appearance^{H4758} of lamps^{H3940}: it went up and down^{H1980} among the living creatures^{H2416}, and the fire^{H784} was bright^{H5051}, and out of the fire^{H784} went forth^{H3318} lightning^{H1300}. 14 And the living creatures^{H2416} ran^{H7519} and returned^{H7725} as the appearance^{H4758} of a flash of lightning^{H965}.

15 Now as I beheld^{H7200} the living creatures^{H2416}, behold one^{H259} wheel^{H212} upon the earth^{H776} by^{H681} the living creatures^{H2416}, with his four^{H702} faces^{H6440}. 16 The appearance^{H4758} of the wheels^{H212} and their work^{H4639} was like unto the colour^{H5869} of a beryl^{H8658}: and they four^{H702} had one^{H259} likeness^{H1823}: and their appearance^{H4758} and their work^{H4639} was as it were a wheel^{H212} in the middle^{H8432} of a wheel^{H212}. 17 When they went^{H3212}, they went^{H3212} upon their four^{H702} sides^{H7253}: and they turned^{H5437} not when they went^{H3212}. 18 As for their rings^{H1354}, they were so high^{H1363} that they were dreadful^{H3374}; and their rings^{H1354} were full^{H4392} of eyes^{H5869} round about^{H5439} them four^{H702}. 19 And when the living creatures^{H2416} went^{H3212}, the wheels^{H212} went^{H3212} by them^{H681}: and when the living creatures^{H2416} were lifted up^{H5375} from the earth^{H776}, the wheels^{H212} were lifted up^{H5375}. 20 Whithersoever the spirit^{H7307} was to go^{H3212}, they went^{H3212}, thither was their spirit^{H7307} to go^{H3212}; and the wheels^{H212} were lifted up^{H5375} over against^{H5980} them: for the spirit^{H7307} of the living creature^{H2416} was in the wheels^{H212}. 21 When those went^{H3212}, these went^{H3212}; and when those stood^{H5975}, these stood^{H5975}; and when those were lifted up^{H5375} from the earth^{H776}, the wheels^{H212} were lifted up^{H5375} over against^{H5980} them: for the spirit^{H7307} of the living creature^{H2416} was in the wheels^{H212}. 22 And the likeness^{H1823} of the firmament^{H7549} upon the heads^{H7218} of the living creature^{H2416} was as the colour^{H5869} of the terrible^{H3372} crystal^{H7140}, stretched forth^{H5186} over their heads^{H7218} above^{H4605}. 23 And under the firmament^{H7549} were their wings^{H3671} straight^{H3477}, the one^{H802} toward the other^{H269}: every one^{H376} had two^{H8147}, which covered^{H3680} on this side^{H2007}, and

every one^{H376} had two^{H8147}, which covered^{H3680} on that side^{H2007}, their bodies^{H1472}. **24** And when they went^{H3212}, I heard^{H8085} the noise^{H6963} of their wings^{H3671}, like the noise^{H6963} of great^{H7227} waters^{H4325}, as the voice^{H6963} of the Almighty^{H7706}, the voice^{H6963} of speech^{H1999}, as the noise^{H6963} of an host^{H4264}: when they stood^{H5975}, they let down^{H7503} their wings^{H3671}. **25** And there was a voice^{H6963} from the firmament^{H7549} that was over their heads^{H7218}, when they stood^{H5975}, and had let down^{H7503} their wings^{H3671}.

26 And above^{H4605} the firmament^{H7549} that was over their heads^{H7218} was the likeness^{H1823} of a throne^{H3678}, as the appearance^{H4758} of a sapphire^{H5601} stone^{H68}: and upon the likeness^{H1823} of the throne^{H3678} was the likeness^{H1823} as the appearance^{H4758} of a man^{H120} above^{H4605} upon it. **27** And I saw^{H7200} as the colour^{H5869} of amber^{H2830}, as the appearance^{H4758} of fire^{H784} round about^{H5439} within^{H1004} it, from the appearance^{H4758} of his loins^{H4975} even upward^{H4605}, and from the appearance^{H4758} of his loins^{H4975} even downward^{H4295}, I saw^{H7200} as it were the appearance^{H4758} of fire^{H784}, and it had brightness^{H5051} round about^{H5439}. **28** As the appearance^{H4758} of the bow^{H7198} that is in the cloud^{H6051} in the day^{H3117} of rain^{H1653}, so was the appearance^{H4758} of the brightness^{H5051} round about^{H5439}. This was the appearance^{H4758} of the likeness^{H1823} of the glory^{H3519} of the LORD^{H3068}. And when I saw^{H7200} it, I fell^{H5307} upon my face^{H6440}, and I heard^{H8085} a voice^{H6963} of one that spake^{H1696}.

Fußnoten

1. captives: Heb. captivity
2. Ezeziel: Heb. Jehezkel
3. infolding...: Heb. catching itself
4. straight...: Heb. a straight foot
5. stretched...: or, divided above
6. and their rings: or, and their strakes
7. of...: or, of life
8. of...: or, of life