

## ***Study Guide on Ezekiel 18:1-13, 31-32***

### **English Standard Version**

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.  
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

### **Ezekiel 18:1-13, 31-32**

(Ezekiel 18:1) The word of the LORD came to me:

(Ezekiel 18:2) “What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, ‘The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge’?

(Ezekiel 18:3) As I live, declares the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel.

(Ezekiel 18:4) Behold, all souls are mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die.

(Ezekiel 18:5) “If a man is righteous and does what is just and right—

(Ezekiel 18:6) if he does not eat upon the mountains or lift up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, does not defile his neighbor’s wife or approach a woman in her time of menstrual impurity,

(Ezekiel 18:7) does not oppress anyone, but restores to the debtor his pledge, commits no robbery, gives his bread to the hungry and covers the naked with a garment,

(Ezekiel 18:8) does not lend at interest or take any profit, withholds his hand from injustice, executes true justice between man and man,

(Ezekiel 18:9) walks in my statutes, and keeps my rules by acting faithfully—he is righteous; he shall surely live, declares the Lord GOD.

(Ezekiel 18:10) “If he fathers a son who is violent, a shedder of blood, who does any of these things

(Ezekiel 18:11) (though he himself did none of these things), who even eats upon the mountains, defiles his neighbor's wife,

(Ezekiel 18:12) oppresses the poor and needy, commits robbery, does not restore the pledge, lifts up his eyes to the idols, commits abomination,

(Ezekiel 18:13) lends at interest, and takes profit; shall he then live? He shall not live. He has done all these abominations; he shall surely die; his blood shall be upon himself.

(Ezekiel 18:31) Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel?

(Ezekiel 18:32) For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord GOD; so turn, and live.”

**Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:**

**Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study**

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?