

S-O-M-E O = OBSERVATION

THOUGHT DIAGRAM [To get better acquainted with the parts of the text]

Vs.	Linking Words	Persons	Empowering Words	Helpers	Locators	Places	Things
1	Then						another message
			came		to		
		me			from		
		the LORD:					
2		"Son of man,	confront				
		Jerusalem		with			
		her					detestable sins.
3	mother a Hittite.		Give				
		her			from		this message
		the Sovereign LORD:					
		You	are				nothing
	but	a Canaanite!					
		Your					
		father	was				
		an Amorite					
	and	your					
		mother					
		a Hittite.					
4					On		the day
		you	were born,				
		no one	cared	about			
		you.					
		Your					umbilical cord
			was	not			
			cut,				
	and	you	were	never			
			washed,				
			rubbed	with			salt,
	and		wrapped		in		cloth.
5		No one	had				the slightest interest
					in		
		you;					
		no one	pitied				
		you					
	or		cared	for			
		you.			On		the day
		you	were born,				
		you	were unwanted,				
			dumped		in		a field
	and		left to die.				

THOUGHT/EVENT/ACTION LIST [To reassemble the parts into bite-sized thoughts/events/actions that make sense]

1	Then		
		1	another message came to me
		2	from the LORD
2		1	Son of man
		2	confront Jerusalem
		3	with her detestable sins
3		1	Give her this message
		2	from the Sovereign LORD:
		3	You are nothing
	but	4	a Canaanite!
		5	Your father was an Amorite
	and	6	your mother a Hittite
4		1	On the day you were born
		2	no one cared about you.
		3	Your umbilical cord was not cut,
	and	4	you were never washed
		5	rubbed with salt,
	and	6	wrapped in cloth.
5		1	No one had the slightest interest in you;
		2	no one pitied you
	or	3	cared for you.
		4	On the day you were born,
		5	you were unwanted,
		6	dumped in a field
	and	7	left to die.

FLOW CHART [Capture the way the writer connected everything in the text into one, continuous stream of thought or story]

V.	Line	Words/Catchwords/Catchphrases	Link
1	Then		Points to what comes next, or after the previous verse
		1 another message came to me	Tells us what comes next, or after the previous verse
		2 from the LORD	Shows us the source of the message
2		1 Son of man	Tells us who the message is addressed to
		2 confront Jerusalem	Tells us what the LORD told Ezekiel to do
		3 with her detestable sins	What he's supposed to challenge Jerusalem with
3		1 Give her this message	Deliver what I tell you and nothing else
		2 from the Sovereign LORD:	Make sure you repeat what I say to you
		3 You are nothing	The LORD lets Israel know He sees right through them
	but	4 a Canaanite!	Instead of His people they have returned to their former selves
		5 Your father was an Amorite	Your daddy was a pagan
	and	6 your mother a Hittite	And your mother was no better
4		1 On the day you were born	Takes J's citizens back to their pre-Israel roots
		2 no one cared about you.	You were an orphan
		3 Your umbilical cord was not cut,	No one assumed responsibility for your welfare
	and	4 you were never washed	No one looked after your hygiene
		5 rubbed with salt,	No one prepared you for life
	and	6 wrapped in cloth.	You were left exposed
5		1 No one had the slightest interest in you;	You were entirely on your own
		2 no one pitied you	No one sympathized with you in your situation
	or	3 cared for you.	No one lifted a finger to help you
		4 On the day you were born,	From the very beginning
		5 you were unwanted,	No one wanted anything to do with you
		6 dumped in a field	You were dropped off far from any help
	and	7 left to die.	And abandoned

BLUEPRINT [To capture the way the writer developed a story from events and actions, or wove thoughts into an idea or argument]

V	Line	Event/Action	Adds/Fills/Brings
1	Then		
	1	another message came to me	Adds
	2	from the LORD	Fills
2	1	Son of man	Fills
	2	confront Jerusalem	Adds
	3	with her detestable sins	Fills
3	1	Give her this message	Adds
	2	from the Sovereign LORD:	Fills
	3	You are nothing	Brings
	but 4	a Canaanite!	Brings
	5	Your father was an Amorite	Fills
	and 6	your mother a Hittite	Fills
4	1	On the day you were born	Add
	2	no one cared about you.	Fills
	3	Your umbilical cord was not cut,	Fills
	and 4	you were never washed	Fills
	5	rubbed with salt,	Fills
	and 6	wrapped in cloth.	Fills
5	1	No one had the slightest interest in you;	Fills
	2	no one pitied you	Fills
	or 3	cared for you.	Fills
	4	On the day you were born,	Add
	5	you were unwanted,	Fills
	6	dumped in a field	Fills
	and 7	left to die.	Fills

ROUGH DRAFT [To get a rough idea of the passage from what you've learned so far]

V	Line	Event/Action	Simple Explanation
1	Then		Next, or after that
	1	another message came to me	I received another communication
	2	from the LORD	Generated by the Eternal One
2	1	Son of man	Descendant of Adam...but not a rebel
	2	confront Jerusalem	Challenge the citizens of the city on my hill
	3	with her detestable sins	With the awful things they've done
3	1	Give her this message	Deliver this communication
	2	from the Sovereign LORD:	Generated by the Unstoppable One
	3	You are nothing	You have gone back to what you used to be
	but 4	a Canaanite!	Just like everyone else in Canaan
	5	Your father was an Amorite	Your daddy was a pagan
	and 6	your mother a Hittite	Your mommy wasn't any better
4	1	On the day you were born	When you came into the world
	2	no one cared about you.	Nobody gave you a single thought
	3	Your umbilical cord was not cut,	You were still attached to your afterbirth
	and 4	you were never washed	No one cleaned you up
	5	rubbed with salt,	No one protected your newborn skin
	and 6	wrapped in cloth.	No one even gave you their burial bandages
5	1	No one had the slightest interest in you;	You never entered anyone's mind
	2	no one pitied you	No one sympathized with you
	or 3	cared for you.	You were completely neglected
	4	On the day you were born,	When you came into the world
	5	you were unwanted,	No one welcomed you

		6	dumped in a field	You were abandoned
	and	7	left to die.	So you would not live

BIOGRAPHIES

me	Ezekiel
the LORD:	The Eternal One
"Son of man,	Descendant of Adam, member of fallen race who needs salvation but not one of the rebels
Jerusalem	The citizens of the city on God's holy hill
the Sovereign LORD:	The One who does as He pleases and no one or nothing can stop Him
a Canaanite	A native or inhabitant of the area of ancient Palestine west of the River Jordan
father	A male ancestor
an Amorite	a member of a seminomadic people living in Mesopotamia, Palestine, and Syria in the 3rd millennium BC, founders of the ancient city of Mari on the Euphrates and the first dynasty of Babylon
mother	A female ancestor
a Hittite.	a member of an ancient people who established an empire in Asia Minor and Syria that flourished from c. 1700 to c. 1200 BC; a subject of the Hittite empire or one of their descendants, including the members of a Canaanite or Syrian people mentioned in the Bible (11th to 8th century BC).
no one	nobody, not a soul, not anyone, not a person, not a single person

GEOGRAPHIES

To me	Ezekiel is the destination of the message
Jerusalem	The capital city of the Promised Land
From the LORD	The message came from the Eternal One
From the Sovereign LORD	Generated by the Unstoppable One
On the day	A part of the day
in cloth	Enclosed or surrounded by cloth/material
In you	The sphere or territory that is you
In a field	Enclosed or surrounded by a field

PROFILES

another message	In addition to and different from a previous communication
detestable sins	Disgusting, abominable, wicked crimes against God
this message	The specific communication already mentioned
nothing	Not anything, zero
the day	A specific date
umbilical cord	The blood vessels attaching a fetus to its mommy
salt,	A substance that preserves or freshens
cloth	Burial bandages
the slightest interest	Any concern or attention whatsoever
a field	A Potter's Field for the dead

WORD STUDIES

came	Arrived
confront	Challenge
Give	Make a present of
are	Nature, state, or condition
was	Nature, state, or condition
were born,	Came into existence
cared	Concerned for, felt affection for, did anything for
cut,	To sever
were	Happened in the past
washed,	Cleaned off
rubbed	Dried off

wrapped	Covered or enclosed
had	Possessed, owned, or held
pitied	Felt for, sympathized
were unwanted,	No longer desired, rejected
dumped	Dropped off
left to die.	Doomed
with	Use
about	for
not	In any way (un-)
never	Not at any time, or ever
for	On behalf of

INSIGHTS

¹ **Then** another message came to me from the LORD:

Ezekiel and God are still on good speaking terms

² "Son of man, confront Jerusalem with her detestable sins.

Deliver this message to show Jerusalem I'm holding her accountable for (or, to show Jerusalem, she can't get away with) breaking my law

³ Give her this message from the Sovereign LORD: You are nothing but a Canaanite! Your father was an Amorite and your mother a Hittite.

God sees through Israel's pretending to be His people and tells them they've gone back to where they started.

⁴ On the day you were born, no one cared about you. Your umbilical cord was not cut, and you were never washed, rubbed with salt, and wrapped in cloth.

No one took care of you when you came into the world.

⁵ No one had the slightest interest in you; no one pitied you or cared for you. On the day you were born, you were unwanted, dumped in a field and left to die.

You were abandoned and as good as dead.

INTERPRETATION

V		Line	Event/Action	Interpretation
1	Then			Next, or after that
		1	another message came to me	A new communication arrived at me, its destination in addition to those I received before
		2	from the LORD	It came from the Eternal One
2		1	Son of man	Descendant of Adam, a member of the fallen race who needs salvation, but is not one of the rebels
		2	confront Jerusalem	Challenge the citizens of the capital city of the Promised Land
		3	with her detestable sins	Use their disgusting, abominable, wicked crimes against Me
3		1	Give her this message	Pass on the specific communication you received
		2	from the Sovereign LORD:	From Me, the One who does as He pleases and no one or nothing can stop Him
		3	You are nothing	You citizens of Jerusalem still in the Promised Land aren't anything
	but	4	a Canaanite!	Except a native of the area of ancient Palestine west of the River Jordan, back to who you were when I found you
		5	Your father was an Amorite	Your male ancestor was one of the local people who founded the ancient city of Mari on the Euphrates and the first dynasty of Babylon (descended from pagans)
	and	6	your mother a Hittite	Plus, your female ancestor was a member of an ancient people who established an empire in Asia Minor and Syria that flourished from c. 1700 to c. 1200 BC
4		1	On the day you were born	When you came into the world

		2	no one cared about you.	Not a single person – not even your parents – gave you basic newborn baby care
		3	Your umbilical cord was not cut,	The blood vessels attaching you to your mommy were still attached to you
	and	4	you were never washed	Plus no one cleaned off your birth fluids
		5	rubbed with salt,	Dried you off
	and	6	wrapped in cloth.	Or even covered you with burial bandages
5		1	No one had the slightest interest in you;	Not a single person held any concern or attention whatsoever for you
		2	no one pitied you	Not a single person felt anything for, or sympathized with you
	or	3	cared for you.	Or even did anything for you
		4	On the day you were born,	When you came into the world
		5	you were unwanted,	You were rejected
		6	dumped in a field	Dropped off in a Potter's Field for the dead
	and	7	left to die.	So you wouldn't survive.