

# Morning Lesson

**“EACH ONE WENT STRAIGHTFORWARD...THEY DID NOT TURN WHEN THEY WENT.”**

**Ezekiel 1:4-12 (9, 12)**

## **INTRO:**

1. Ezekiel seems to be especially impressed with the direct movement of the four living creatures in his vision. **Vv. 9, 12**
2. There are several aspects of this vision that we could explore (e.g. the four-faced creatures and the wheels), but in this lesson we will make some observations concerning straightforwardness.

## **I. HEAVENLY CONDUCT IS STRAIGHTFORWARD.**

- A. This is a contrast between the heavenly ideal and too common course of human conduct. **Luke 9:62**
- B. In order to realize the ideal of heavenly conduct certain characteristics must be formed. **John 8:31, 32; Matt.6:19-24; 1 Cor. 15:58; Rev. 2:10**

## **II. STRAIGHTFORWARD CONDUCT DEPENDS ON HEAVENLY CHARACTERISTICS.**

- A. No just a single aim, but a right aim. **Col. 3:1-4**
- B. A fixed gaze is next, though it is implied in the reference to the direction of the face. **Matt. 15:14; Heb. 12:1, 2**
- C. We must harmonize our powers and energies. **Gal.5:16-18; Rom. 8:5-11**
- D. We need to follow spiritual direction. **Ezek. 1:12; 2 Cor. 1:12; Acts 23:1; Heb. 5:14; Psalm 119:105; John 12:48**