#### **Ezekiel 37:1**

"The hand of the Lord was upon me, and He carried me out in the Spirit of the Lord and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones, and He caused me to pass among them all around. And there were very many in the open valley. And they were very dry. And He said to me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" So I answered, "O Lord God, You know."

#### Ezekiel 37:4

"Again He said to me, 'Prophesy over these bones and say to them, O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you so that you live. And I will lay sinews upon you and will grow back flesh upon you and cover you with skin and put breath in you so that you live. Then you shall know that I am the Lord"

#### Ez 37:7, 9 & 10

<sup>7</sup> So I prophesied as I was commanded; and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and suddenly a rattling; and the bones came together, bone to bone. <sup>8</sup> Indeed, as I looked, the sinews and the flesh came upon them, and the skin covered them over; but *there was* no breath in them.

<sup>9</sup> Also He said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, son of man, and say to the breath, 'Thus says the Lord God: "Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe on these slain, that they may live." '" <sup>10</sup> So I prophesied as He commanded me, and breath came into them, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great army.

## 1. We must break free from the fear of change.

"God is always on the move. He might lead us to camp in one spot for a while, but we can never get too comfortable in one place,"

(\*\*AV TEAM \*\*- - Please Only Put These up ONE at a Time as I'm Saying them - THANKS!!)

# 2. We must be willing to defy tradition.

"Sacred cows do not belong in the pulpit; they must be sacrificed on the altar."

## 3. We must ask the Spirit to reveal His new strategies.

"We cannot rely on church growth gurus, popular books or rock-star preachers to lead us into genuine change," "If the work of transforming the church is not totally led by the Holy Spirit, then our changes will be shallow and our impact will be pitiful"

→ If we do not understand the shift that is happening, how God is moving us OUT of the OLD WINEKIN and INTO the NEW WINESKIN, we will TOTALLY miss God, just like the Pharisees did

- → UNDERSTAND that the NEW ERA is NEW - We have NEVER SEEN <u>anything</u> like this before. LET GO of the OLD so that we can EMBRACE the NEW --
- --> Understanding that the NEW is ACTUALLY the OLD, the END is ACTUALLY the SAME as the BEGINNING

// > We are entering a NEW ERA, a NEW SEASON of the Church. God is RESTORING the OLD to birth the NEW.

#### **Bottom Line:**

//-> The **ORIGINAL 5-FOLD MINISTRY** model that **BIRTHED** the **CHURCH** is being **RESTORED** to fully **MATURE** the **Church** and **FULFILL** its **DESTINY**.

## Ge 35:16

<sup>16</sup> Then they journeyed from Bethel. And when there was but a little distance to go to Ephrath, Rachel labored *in childbirth,* and she had hard labor. <sup>17</sup> Now it came to pass, when she was in hard labor, that the midwife said to her, "Do not fear; you will have this son also." <sup>18</sup> And so it was, as her soul was departing (for she died), that she called his name Ben-Oni; but his father called him Benjamin. <sup>19</sup> So Rachel died and was buried on the way to Ephrath (that *is,* Bethlehem). <sup>20</sup> And Jacob set a pillar on her grave, which *is* the pillar of Rachel's grave to this day.

<sup>21</sup> Then Israel journeyed and pitched his tent beyond the tower of Eder.

//-→ JUST as RACHEL DIED giving BIRTH To BENJAMIN, the LAST son born to ISRAEL, the SAME will HAPPEN to the CHURCH when the LAST-DAY Ministry is BORN.

### Gen 23:1

Sarah lived one hundred and twenty-seven years; *these were* the years of the life of Sarah. <sup>2</sup> So Sarah died in Kirjath Arba (that *is,* Hebron) in the land of Canaan, and Abraham came to mourn for Sarah and to weep for her.

<sup>3</sup> Then Abraham stood up from before his dead, and spoke to the sons of Heth, saying, <sup>4</sup> "I am a foreigner and a visitor among you. Give me property for a burial place among you, that I may bury my dead out of my sight."

<sup>13</sup> and he spoke to Ephron in the hearing of the people of the land, saying, "If you will give it, please hear me. I will give you money for the field; take it from me and I will bury my dead there (and leave you)."

\*\*\* There was a PRICE to PAY

\*\*\* He HAD to LEAVE he COULD NOT STAY