

Week 1: Dry Bones, LIVE!

Main Idea: If we trust God with our brokenness, He will bring life where there is death.

Bible Verses to Read:

Ezekiel 37:4-5 *Then he said to me, "Prophecy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, hear the word of the Lord! 5 This is what the Sovereign Lord says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life.*

Ezekiel 37:11-14 *Then he said to me: "Son of man, these bones are the people of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.' 12 Therefore prophesy and say to them: 'This is what the Sovereign Lord says: My people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel. 13 Then you, my people, will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and bring you up from them. 14 I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the Lord have spoken, and I have done it, declares the Lord.'"*

- On a scale from 1-10, how would you rate how you're feeling this week? Was this a good week, or a not so good week?
- During the message, we mentioned how we have all experienced some sort of death in our life that causes great pain. It could be the death of a loved one, of a dream, our plans, etc. Have you experienced this recently? How does it make you feel?
- During the message we mentioned, "*God's plans don't always meet my expectations*". Do you ever find it hard to trust God's plan when you experience pain or death in your life? Why do you think that is?
- Read Ezekiel 37:11-14. How did God promise to bring new life to the people of Israel out of their pain? How do you think this promise could apply to your own life? How can you find hope in what God is promising in this passage?

FINAL THOUGHT: This week when you experience pain, how will you remind yourself to trust God's plan, and that He is a God who brings life out of death?