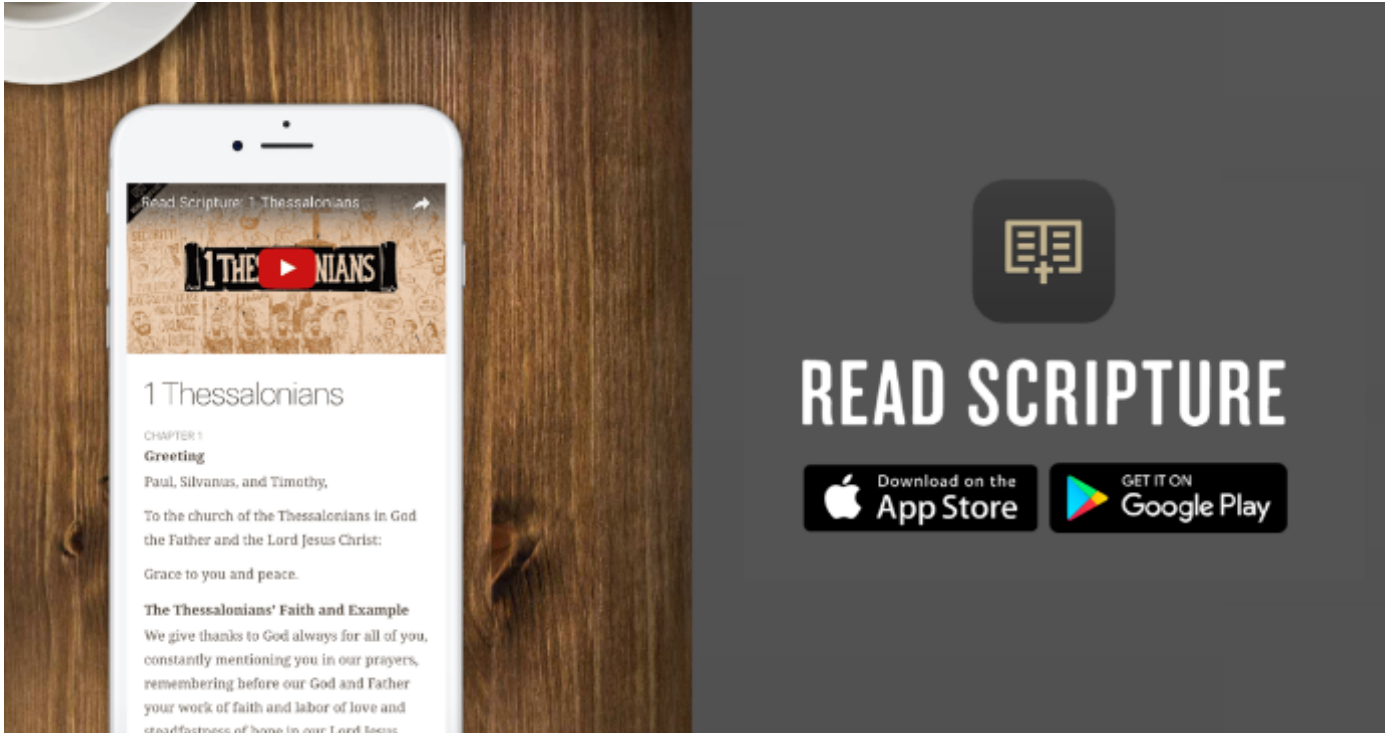
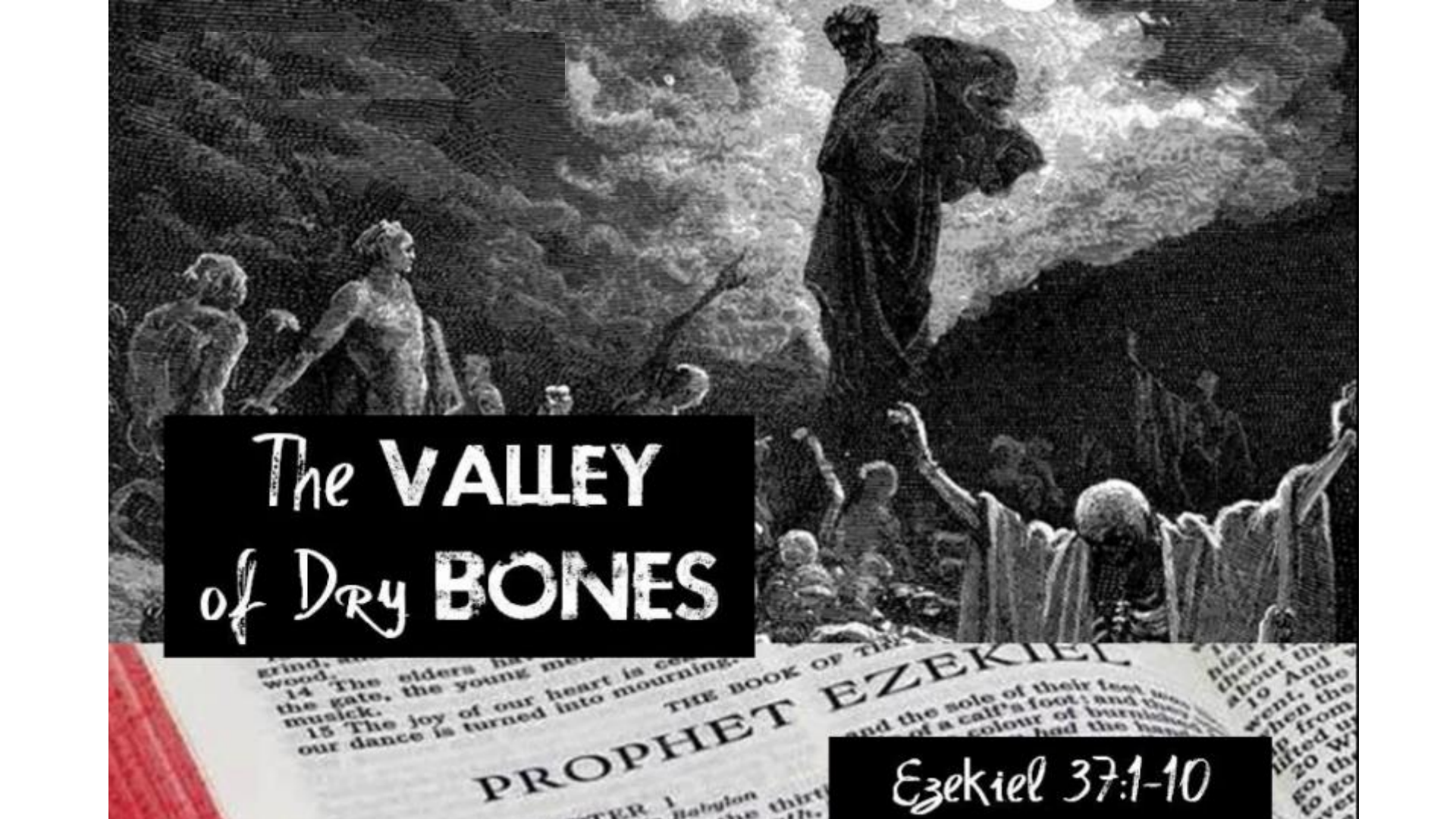


2018: Journey through the word- Malachi





The VALLEY of Dry BONES

grind, and
wood.
14 The elders have
the gate, the young men
musick.
15 The joy of our heart is ceasing,
our dance is turned into mourning.

THE BOOK OF THE
PROPHET EZEKIEL

Ezekiel 37:1-10

Alive! I will put my Spirit in you

God calls Ezekiel to prophesy to the dry bones



“O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. And I will lay sinews upon you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live, and you shall know that I am the Lord.” (37:4).

Alive! I will put my Spirit in you

God invites people into the powerful act of re-creation



Alive! I will put my Spirit in you



We have the privilege of bringing people into new life!

Alive! I will put my Spirit in you

God starts to renew and restore through His word



“And as I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them. (37:7-8).

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God's word is so powerful and life-giving

- Jer 23:29- Like a fire that burns and a hammer that breaks
- Heb 4:12- Like a sword that divides the soul and spirit and reveals our hearts
- Gen 1- Bringing order into the world, life into existence
- Isaiah 55:10- Like rain and snow that nourishes and flourishes earth bringing bread to the eater and seed for the sower.

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God's word is so powerful and life-giving

- **Receiving His word is part of the transforming enlivening work of God in your life.**
- Brings eternal life (Jn 5:24).
- The Spirit gives life. His words are spirit and life (Jn 6:63).
- Peter: "Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life..." (Jn 6:68)

Alive! I will put my Spirit in you

What will help the word germinate more in your life?



Alive! I will put my Spirit in you



SOAP

Scripture- Focus on a verse

Observation- Note what stands out

Application- Plan to apply it

Prayer- Ask God to help you live it out

Alive! I will put my Spirit in you

God makes them alive by filling them with His Spirit!



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(37:10, 14).

Alive! I will put my Spirit in you

The filling of the Spirit is the turning point



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Alive! I will put my Spirit in you

God wants to reveal Himself to the nations
through transforming His people



²³ I will show the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, the name you have profaned among them. **Then the nations will know that I am the LORD,** declares the Sovereign LORD, when I am proved holy through you before their eyes. (36:23).

Alive! I will put my Spirit in you

All because of Jesus!



- The new David/messianic ruler will come (Ezek 34)
- He will shepherd the new Israel (Ezek 34)
- He revealed the Father
- He cleansed us from sin
- He gave us a new heart and spirit
- He filled us with His Spirit!

Takeaway

- Find someone to speak God's word into your life and vice versa.
- Create space for God's word to germinate more in your life and in the life of others.
- Create more space for God's Spirit to be transforming your life; breathing more of God's life into you and into others. Boldly ask...