

EZEKIEL

“THE DRY BONES”

Ezekiel 37:1-28

Lesson #36

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REVIEW:

- A. Dry Bones Ezekiel 37:1-14
- 1) Can these bones live?
 - a) Ezekiel throws the question back to God
 - b) With man this is not possible, but with God..
 - c) If you want them to God, they will!
 - 2) “Prophecy to these bones, and say to them...”
 - a) Ezekiel obeys despite how useless it seems.
 - b) Has there ever been a more dead audience?
 - 3) The miracle of life begins as He speaks what God spoke to him, not when God spoke it.
 - 4) “Hear the word of the Lord...”
 - a) If dry bones can be expected to hear, so to can those alive.
 - b) Hearing what **IS FALSE AS TRUE** will cause me to hear what **IS TRUE AS FALSE**.
 - c) Those in Ezekiel day did.
 - d) Same for those in Jesus and Paul’s day
 - e) And for our day.
 - 5) Ezekiel is commanded to preach to the ***ruwach*** (breath, wind, or spirit) to fill the bodies.

- B. Two Sticks Ezekiel 37:15-23
- 1) When the people return to the land, those around them will see the ones they thought were dead return. They are alive and inhabit the land.
 - 2) First Stick - Judah
 - 3) Second stick - Joseph (Ephraim)
 - 4) The divided nation will be rejoined
 - 5) (22) One nation, one King, never to be divided again.
- C. Covenant of Peace. Ezekiel 37:24-28
- 1) In Ch. 36 peace was prophesied between God and Israel. (Ephesians 2:13-18)
 - 2) Here we can also see a peace between Israel and their enemies and those around them.
 - 3) Two things will be established forever:
 - a) (25) The people’s presence in the land
 - b) (26) And God’s Tabernacle
 - 4) The word ***olam*** = forever or everlasting is used five times in verses 25-28.
 - 5) 13 promises are made to Israel in verses 15-28, but not all were fulfilled in the 1st return under Cyrus.

APPLICATION: Would you speak God’s word to what is lifeless?

The enemy works to get a little leaven in, so the whole person is resistant to the truth.

How can I know if I have allowed what is false into my belief foundation?