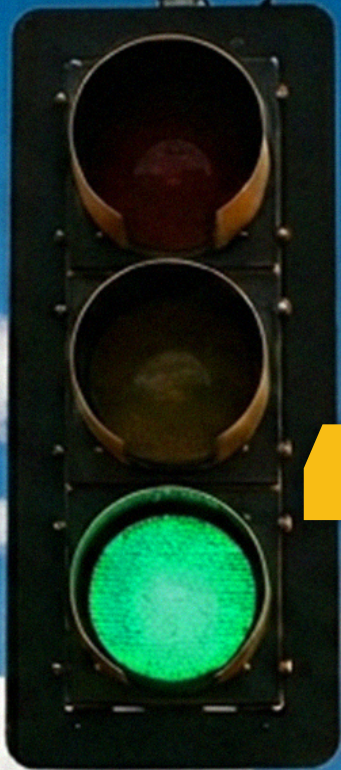




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INTRODUCTION

There are seasons when life feels like a valley of dry bones. We look around and see loss, disappointment, injustice, and deep weariness, and it can feel like hope has dried up right in front of us. Sometimes that valley shows up in our personal lives, in broken dreams, strained relationships, or battles we thought would be over by now. Sometimes it shows up in our communities, where people carry the weight of inequity, grief, and uncertainty every single day. In *Ezekiel 37*, God meets Ezekiel in that very kind of place, a place marked by despair, and asks him to face what seems impossible. Yet that is where God reveals a powerful truth for all of us: what looks dead is not beyond God's power. God still speaks into barren places, God still breathes life into what has gone silent, and God is still able to restore what we thought was gone for good. That is good news for weary hearts, and it is a reminder that even in the valley, God's answer is still yes.

KEY POINTS

1. Be Honest About The Valley

Ezekiel sees the bones as they really are, dry, scattered, and lifeless. He does not rush past the pain, and he does not pretend the valley is anything other than what it is. That matters because faith does not ask us to hide our wounds, minimize our grief, or act like everything is fine when it clearly is not. Real faith makes room for honesty. It gives us permission to name what feels broken in our lives, in our families, and in our communities. When we tell the truth about the valley, we are not giving up. We are making space for God to meet us there. The good news is that God is not afraid of hard places. God is present in the middle of disappointment, injustice, exhaustion, and loss. Even when the valley looks silent and stripped of life, it is still a place where God can speak, move, and begin again.

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2. Trust God With What Looks Impossible

When God asks, “Can these bones live?” Ezekiel responds with humility and trust. He does not pretend to know the outcome, and he does not force an answer just to sound strong or certain. Instead, he places the whole situation in God’s hands. That matters because there are moments in our lives when we do not know how things will turn around, how healing will come, or how restoration will happen. We may not have the plan, the timeline, or the strength to fix what is broken. Still, faith reminds us that we do not have to carry what was never ours to control. Faith is not having every answer. Faith is believing God can do what we cannot, and trusting that God is still at work even when we cannot yet see the evidence. When we place impossible situations in God’s hands, we make room for hope to rise again, and we remember that what feels beyond us is never beyond God.

3. Speak And Receive Life

God tells Ezekiel to prophesy to the bones, and then God sends breath into them. The word of God brings movement, and the breath of God brings life. That order matters. First, God speaks into what looks hopeless, and then God fills it with living power. It reminds us that renewal does not begin with what we can produce on our own. It begins with hearing and trusting what God has said. There are seasons when our lives can look put together on the outside, but still feel empty on the inside. We can have structure without strength, activity without peace, and motion without true life. That is why we need both the word of God and the breath of God. God’s word calls us out of despair, and God’s breath revives what has grown tired, numb, or silent. So we are called to speak hope over dry places, not because we deny what is hard, but because we believe God is still able to renew. And as we receive God’s Spirit, we are strengthened not only for our own healing, but also to become people who carry life, hope, and restoration into our communities.

This message speaks to every weary heart and every struggling community. What feels finished is not final when God is involved. The same God who met Ezekiel in the valley still meets us today with power, promise, and life. So do not give up on what looks dry. Trust God, speak life, and remember that the answer is still yes.

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QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

1. What valley in your life needs God's life and power right now?
2. Where is God calling you to trust Him beyond what you can see?
3. How can you speak hope, justice, and life into someone else's dry place?
