



**Riverstone**  
BAPTIST CHURCH

## Sermon Based Questions

Date- Sunday 26th January 2020

Series- Open to the Spirit Prt 2

### Can these dry bones live?

*The hand of the Lord was on me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. 2 He led me back and forth among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley, bones that were very dry. 3 He asked me, "Son of man, can these bones live?"*

*Ezekiel 37:1-3*

**1. Prophecy to the bones. Ezekiel 37:1-9.**

**2. Prophecy to the breath. Ezekiel 37:10-14.**

### **A. Examining the texts.**

1. Read Ezekiel 37:1-9. Where is Ezekiel led and why is this not in keeping with his vocation as a priest? What does his name mean and why is that significant?
2. Read Ezekiel 37:1-9. What do you think the valley of dry bones represents? What is Ezekiel asked to do and what does God promise he will do?
3. Read Ezekiel 37:10-14. What else is Ezekiel asked to do and what does God promise that he will do?
4. How is Ezekiel faithful in this passage of scripture?

### **B. Meditation & application**

5. How does this passage reveal to us the mission and function of the person of the Holy Spirit?
6. Read John 20:21-23. How does Ezekiel 37 point toward the ministry of Jesus and how does this passage compliment Ezekiel 37?
7. How does this passage fill you with hope as you seek to be propelled outward carrying the good news? How does it encourage you and dispel fear and anxiety as you go on mission?
8. Challenge: Ask the Holy Spirit how you can enact his mission in the world this week, thinking specifically about the mission of God in your world. How does this passage encourage you toward Gods mission? What could you do this week if you saw yourself as someone who was filled with the Spirit to participate in Gods mission?

A Prayer: Lord- we are open to the Holy Spirit, come to us, dwell in us, speak to us so that we might speak your word with courage and pray for your empowering presence to work through us. We want to be an army set on our feet. Ward of death and dryness and fill us with your life giving water so that we might be your people for your Sons glory- Amen.