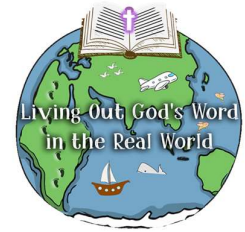


PENTECOST METHODIST CHURCH
LIVE-IT-OUT GUIDE



Sermon Date: 19/05/2019

Text/s: Ezekiel 37:1- 14

Title: Can Dry Bones Live?

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(The sermon recording and slides are available in the PMC website and MyPMC App)

READ (5 mins)

(Read the Bible text/s, quietly or aloud)

REFLECT (30 mins)

(Reflect on key themes and questions in the text/s)

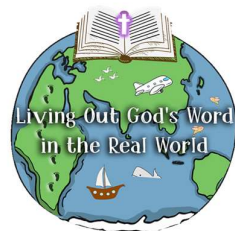
1. The Hebrew word for Spirit is also Ruah, which can mean wind or breath. Consider how these two meanings are expressed in our text today (e.g. 37:6, 9). How is this related to the Creation account? (See Genesis 1:2, 2:7)

2. The multitude of dry bones in the valley most likely represented the slain army of Israel (cf. 37:10). Why did God allow His people to be conquered and exiled by the Babylonians? (See 2 Chronicles 36:15-21, Ezekiel 22:7-12)

3. Why did God give the vision of dry bones to Ezekiel? What was God about to do for the nation of Israel? (cf. 37:24, also 36:26-28)

Additional question

4. Relate today's passage with Paul's description of Israel's future in Romans 11:15 (cf. "life from the dead").



RELATE (30 mins)

(Relate and apply God's word to our daily lives)

1. The phrase "dry bones" can mean a few things for us today:
 - a season of discouragement, despair, or discipline by God
 - spiritual pride and outward religion (Matthew 23:27)
 - people who are lost and spiritually dead

Which of the above strikes a chord in you right now? Share with one another.

2. "When we have no desire to see the salvation of someone else ... when we see our unsaved neighbours but do nothing to show them Christ, we are really saying in our hearts – they can go to hell, I don't care."

Do you agree with this statement? If so, what can we do about our apathy and lack of action when it comes to personal evangelism? What can your group do together to address this?

REST (15 mins)

(Take time to share and pray for one another)

(Pray for our church, our nation, and our world. See MyPMC > PRAY for weekly guide)