

"The Valley of Dry Bones"

Wednesday Evening Adult Class by Ray Reynolds (December 15, 2013)

Introduction: The problem in the story in **Ezekiel 37:1-14** was that Israel was dry! God gives a picture of His people, whom He had delivered, provided for, and blessed according to His promises. Put yourself in Ezekiel's shoes. What would you do? Only God can bring life to a valley of dry bones. Let's study together....

Discussion:

I. Why is Revival Needed?

- A. Shift in Values - *What Has Happened in the Nation?*
- B. Lack of Obedience - *What Has Happened in the Community of Believers?*
- C. Need for Love - *Does Anyone Care?*
- D. The Danger of Getting Dry - *How Has This Happened? Why?*

II. How is Revival Hindered?

- A. Revival is Hindered by a Sufficient Spirit
- B. Revival is Hindered by an Apathetic Heart
- C. Revival is Hindered by a Disobedient Life

III. What Happens When God Brings a Revival?

- A. When God Brings Revival There Will Be Confession of Sin
I John 1:8-10
- B. When God Brings Revival There Will Be Passion For Worship
Ephesians 5:17-21
- C. When God Brings Revival There Will Be An Increased Burden For the Lost
Matthew 28:18-20

Conclusion: Great things can happen when God breathes His Spirit into a dry place. Consider the story of Robert Robinson in England. People here in our community, and all over the world, would give 1,000 worlds to know about this joy we have in Christ Jesus. Do you care? Do you need revival? In all of those dry bones there is a kingdom of God waiting to serve. The Lord's people had an army, all Ezekiel had to do was preach to them. It is time to breathe some life into those bones! Are you ready?