

A Study of the Prophets

O.T. Survey Lesson 183--Ezekiel 37:1-28

Introduction: In this chapter Ezekiel sees two prophetic visions that concern the destiny of the captive people. Like dry bones that come to life, Israel would be spiritually quickened by God's Spirit. Consequently the divided nation would consist of one people, serving God under their Shepherd, the Messiah. These would be a kingdom of unending peace.

Lesson aim: To show that the vision of dry bones and the union of the two sticks find their ultimate fulfillment in the kingdom of Jesus Christ.

Israel and Judah revived--Ezekiel 37:1-14

1. To where was Ezekiel transported in this vision? (v. 1) What did he see there? How did he describe them? (v. 2)
2. What did God say he would do to these dry bones? (v. 3-6) What occurred when Ezekiel prophesied over them? (v. 7-8) What did they still lack?
3. What came into the reconstructed bodies? (v. 9) What was the result?
4. Who did these bones represent? (v. 11) How did they represent Israel's present condition?
5. What did God say would happen to His people? (v. 12) Where would He bring them? What would this cause them to know? (v. 13)
6. What did God say He would put in them? (v. 14) What would result? Where would they be placed?

Israel and Judah reunited--Ezekiel 37:15-28

1. What tribal names was Ezekiel to write on two different sticks? (v. 15-16) What was he to do with the sticks? (v. 17)
2. What was Ezekiel to declare to the people concerning these sticks? (v. 18-19)
3. What did God reveal He was about to do the scattered peoples of both Israel and Judah? (v. 21-22)
4. What would they no longer do? (v. 23) What would God do for them? What relationship would God have with them?
5. Who would God make king over the reunited nation? (v. 24) How many shepherds would they have? How would they live under this king or shepherd?
6. Where would these people live? For how long?
7. What would God make with His people? (v. 26) Where would God's sanctuary be?
8. What promise did God make concerning His people? (v. 17) What would God's conduct toward Israel cause the nations to know? (v. 28)