

PENTECOST

Ezekiel

37:1 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?” I said, “Sovereign Lord, you alone know.”

⁴ Then he said to me, “**Prophecy to these bones** and say to them, ‘Dry bones, hear the word of the Lord!’ ⁵ This is what the Sovereign Lord says to these bones: **I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life.** ⁶ I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the Lord.’”

⁹ “Prophecy to the breath; prophecy, son of man, and say to it, ‘This is what the Sovereign Lord says: **Come, breath, from the four winds and breathe into these slain, that they may live.**’”

“...body can resist many forms of trauma – lack of nourishment, harsh conditions, crashes, etc. – but without the ability to breathe... one is effectively dead within minutes”

14 “I will put my Spirit in you and you will live...”

Acts 2:1 When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent **wind** came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the **Holy Spirit** and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

“...letting it [Him] sweep through your life, your heart, your imagination, your power of speech, and transform you from a listless or lifeless believer to someone whose heart is on fire with the love of God”

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