#### Ezekiel 37:11 NLT

Then he said to me, "Son of man, these bones represent the people of Israel. They are saying, 'We have become old, dry bones—all hope is gone. Our nation is finished.'

#### Ezekiel 37:1-2 NIV

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*. 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*.

# When we fixate on our problems hope dries up!

### Ezekiel 37:3 NIV

He asked me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" ... I said, "Sovereign Lord, you alone know."

#### Ezekiel 37:4-5 NLT

Then he said to me, "Speak a **prophetic** message to these bones and say, 'Dry bones, listen to the word of the Lord...

...This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Look! I am going to put breath into you and make you live again!

# The breath of God is the source of all life and hope!

#### Genesis 2:7 NIV

Then the LORD God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

#### **Ezekiel 37:7 NLT**

So I spoke this message, just as he told me. Suddenly as I spoke, there was a **rattling noise** all across the valley. The bones of each body came together and attached themselves as complete skeletons.

When we breathe out God's promises hope begins to stir!

## **Ezekiel 37:8-10 NIV**

I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, **but there was no breath in them**. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the **breath**; prophesy, 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." So I prophesied as he commanded me, and **breath** entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet—a vast army.

When we breathe in God's purpose hope becomes reality!