Undefeated by Hopelessness Ezekiel 37:1-14

- I. Hopelessness reigns when the Glory of the LORD departs.
 - a. A ministry ignored.
 - "The house of Israel is not willing to listen to you because they are not willing to listen to me, for the whole house of Israel is hardened and obstinate" (Ezekiel 3:3).
 - b. The Glory departs.
 - "The glory of the LORD went up from within the city and stopped above the mountain east of it" (Ezekiel 11:23, but read Ezekiel 8 11 for context).
 - c. The city destroyed.
 - "In the twelfth year of our exile, in the tenth month on the fifth day, a man who had escaped Jerusalem came to me and said, 'The city has fallen'" (Ezekiel 33:21).
- 2. Hopefulness reigns when the Spirit of the LORD breathes life into us.
 - a. "Our hope is gone" (Ezekiel 37:11).
 - b. "Can these bones live?" (Ezekiel 37:3)
 - c. "Prophesy to these bones" (Ezekiel 37:4).
 - d. Open graves of the past and the future!
 - Egypt
 - 2) Babylon
 - 3) Lazarus (John II Gospel Lesson)
 - 4) Easter
 - 5) Ours

My Next Steps to an Undefeated Life

- See the world from the LORD's perspective: Read Ezekiel 8-11, a vision in which the LORD reveals the sins that he sees and the removal of his saving presence. A powerful call to repentance to each of us.
- Let the Spirit of the LORD breathe life into you: Make a commitment to begin reading the Bible daily. Join our Journey to the Empty Tomb. Here is the link to the reading guide. http://c95f3e76f332b83118c8-