

# The Dry Bones

## Ezekiel 37:1-14 (4/5)

Brad Helmink

What happens  
when all **hope** has  
gone?

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1. What must I change?

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ch16: **Princess** (identity)

2. Who will help me?

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ch34: **Shepherds** (leadership)

3. How do I change?

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ch36: **Wanderers** (God's work)

4. **Am I beyond hope?**

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ch37: **Dry Bones** (new life)

5. If others won't change?

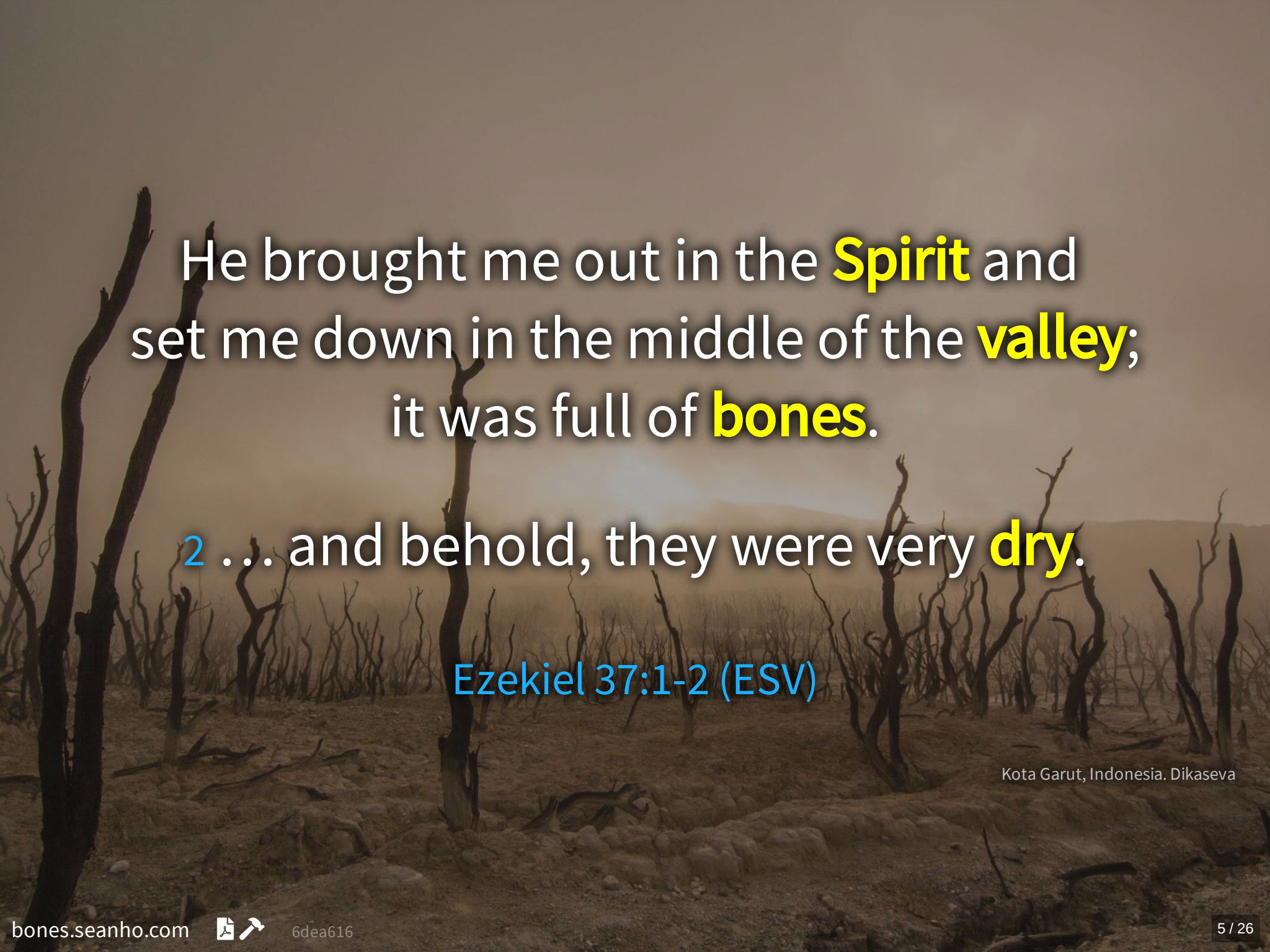
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ch33: **Watchman** (missions)

Bad Pyrmont, Germany. Sebastian Unrau

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2. Coming Out of the **Grave** (v4-8,12-13)
3. The **Breath** of Life (v9-10,14)



He brought me out in the **Spirit** and  
set me down in the middle of the **valley**;  
it was full of **bones**.

2 ... and behold, they were very **dry**.

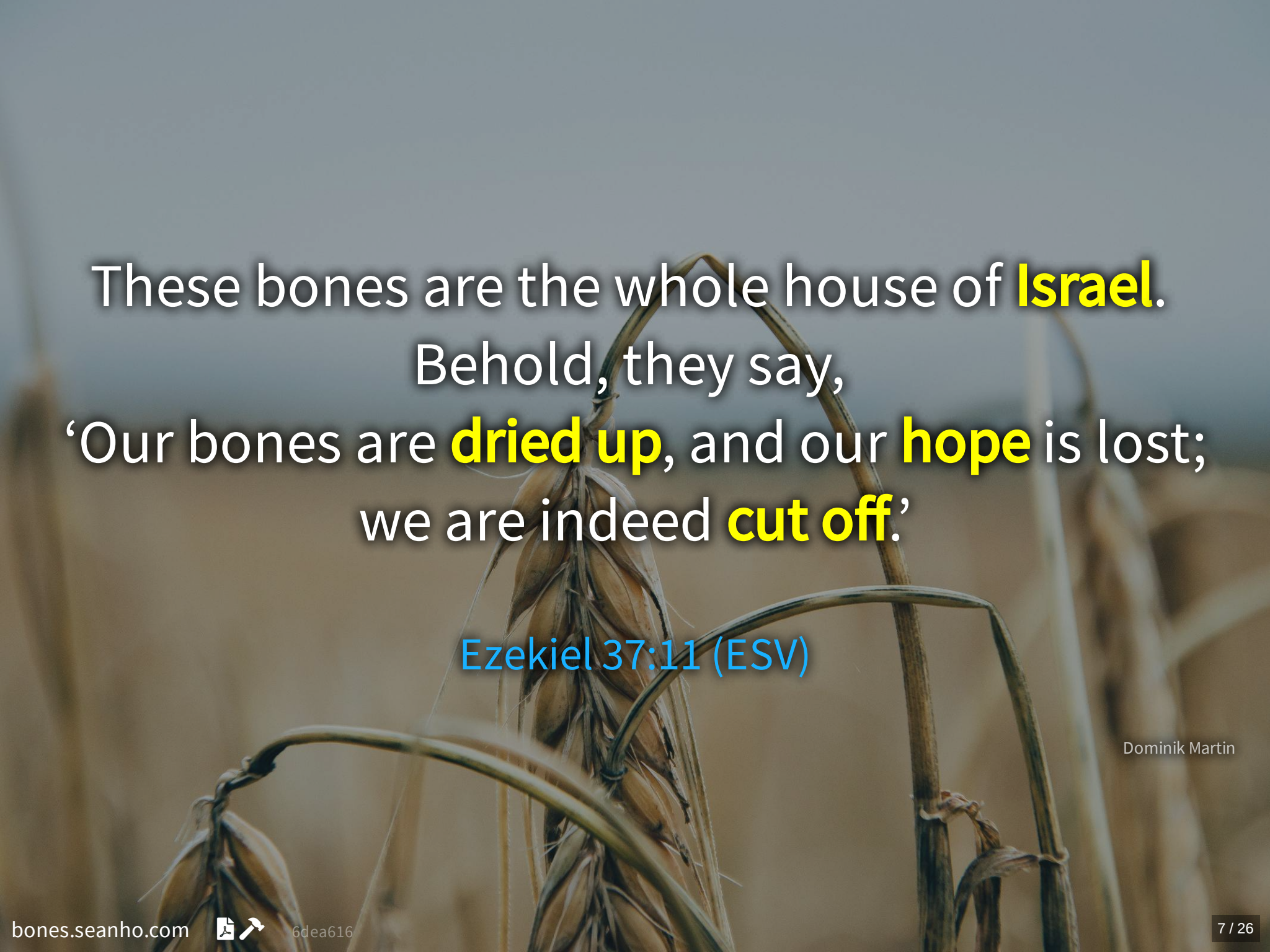
Ezekiel 37:1-2 (ESV)

Kota Garut, Indonesia. Dikaseva



A **joyful heart** is good medicine,  
But a **broken spirit** dries up the bones.

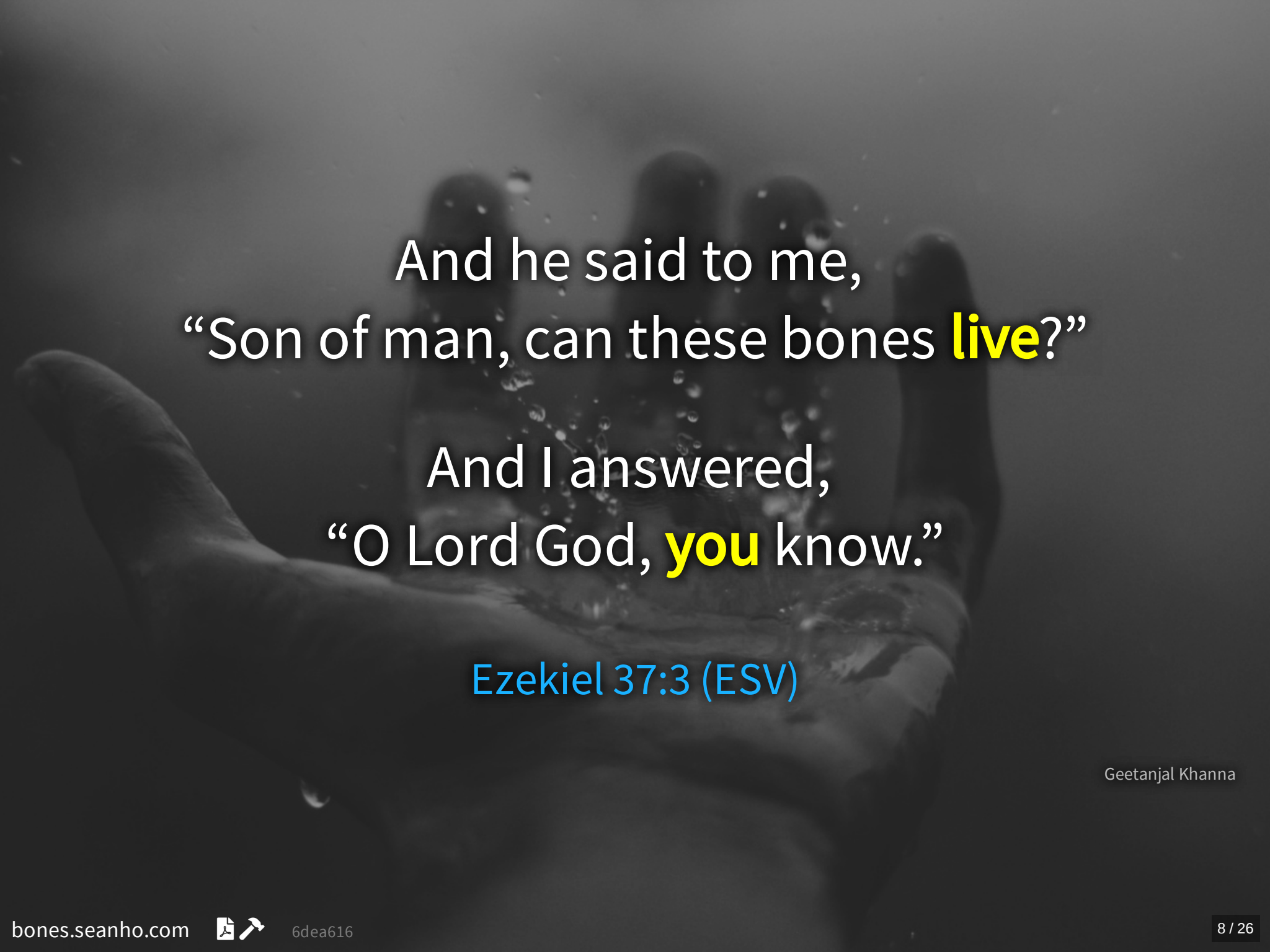
Proverbs 17:22



These bones are the whole house of **Israel**.  
Behold, they say,  
'Our bones are **dried up**, and our **hope** is lost;  
we are indeed **cut off**.'

Ezekiel 37:11 (ESV)

Dominik Martin

A close-up photograph of a hand held palm up, with water being poured from it. The water is captured in mid-air, creating a spray of droplets and bubbles. The background is dark and out of focus.

And he said to me,  
“Son of man, can these bones **live?**”

And I answered,  
“O Lord God, **you** know.”

Ezekiel 37:3 (ESV)

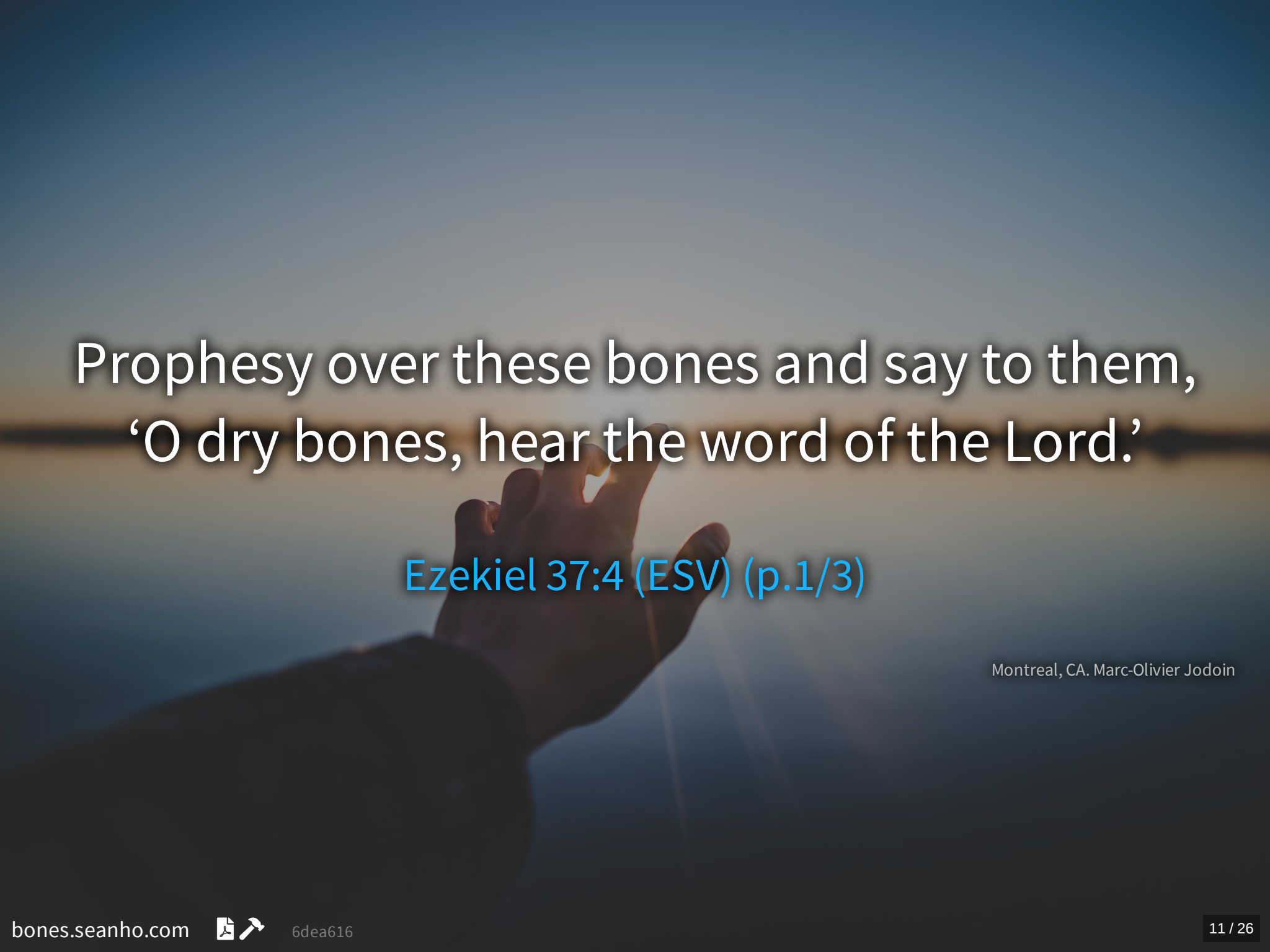
Geetanjali Khanna



**How do I cope  
with a hopeless  
situation?**

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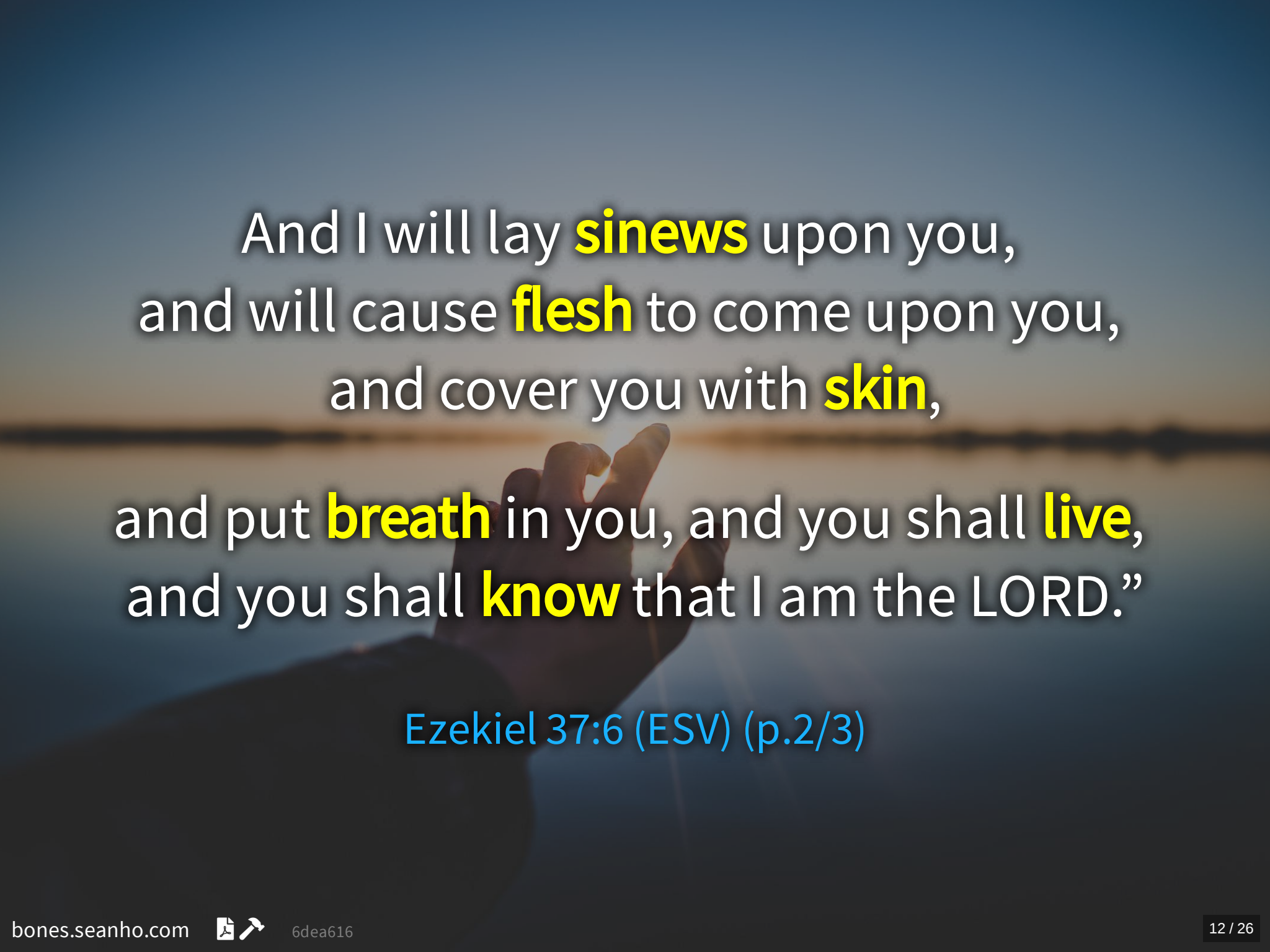
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A hand is shown in silhouette, reaching upwards with fingers slightly spread. The background is a soft, hazy sunset or sunrise sky with a gradient from light blue to orange. The overall mood is contemplative and hopeful.

Prophecy over these bones and say to them,  
'O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord.'

Ezekiel 37:4 (ESV) (p.1/3)

Montreal, CA. Marc-Olivier Jodoin

A hand is shown in silhouette, reaching out with fingers slightly curled, set against a soft, glowing sunset background over a body of water. The text is overlaid on this scene.

And I will lay **sinews** upon you,  
and will cause **flesh** to come upon you,  
and cover you with **skin**,  
and put **breath** in you, and you shall **live**,  
and you shall **know** that I am the LORD.”

Ezekiel 37:6 (ESV) (p.2/3)

And as I prophesied, there was a **sound**,  
and behold, a **rattling**,  
and the bones came **together**, bone to its bone.

8 And I looked, and behold,  
there were **sinews** on them,  
and **flesh** had come upon them,  
and **skin** had covered them.

Ezekiel 37:7-8 (ESV) (p.3/3)

Behold, I will open your **graves**  
and **raise** you from your graves, O my people.  
And I will bring you into the **land** of Israel.

**13** And you shall **know** that I am the Lord,  
when I open your graves,  
and raise you from your graves, O my people.

Ezekiel 37:12-13 (ESV)

Milada Vigerova

An hour is coming when all who are  
in the **tombs** will hear his **voice**

**29** and come out,

those who have done **good**  
to the resurrection of **life**,

and those who have done **evil**  
to the resurrection of **judgment**.

**John 5:28-29**

What **grave** am I  
stuck in?



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A hand is shown in silhouette, reaching out towards a bright sunset over a body of water. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a lens flare effect. The sky is a gradient of blue and orange.

But there was **no breath** in them.

Ezekiel 37:8b (ESV)



“Come from the four winds, **O breath**,  
and breathe on these slain, that they may **live**.”

**10** So I **prophesied** as he commanded me,  
and the **breath** came into them,  
and they **lived** and stood on their feet,  
an exceedingly great **army**.

Ezekiel 37:9-10 (ESV)

Western Wall, Jerusalem. Toa Heftiba

When an **unclean spirit**  
has gone **out** of a person,  
it passes through **waterless** places seeking rest,  
and finding **none** it says,  
'I will **return** to my house from which I came.'

**25** And when it comes,  
it finds the house **swept** and put in **order**.

Luke 11:24-25 (ESV) (p.1/2)

Then it goes and brings  
**seven** other spirits **more** evil than itself,  
and they enter and **dwell** there.

And the **last** state of that person  
is **worse** than the first.

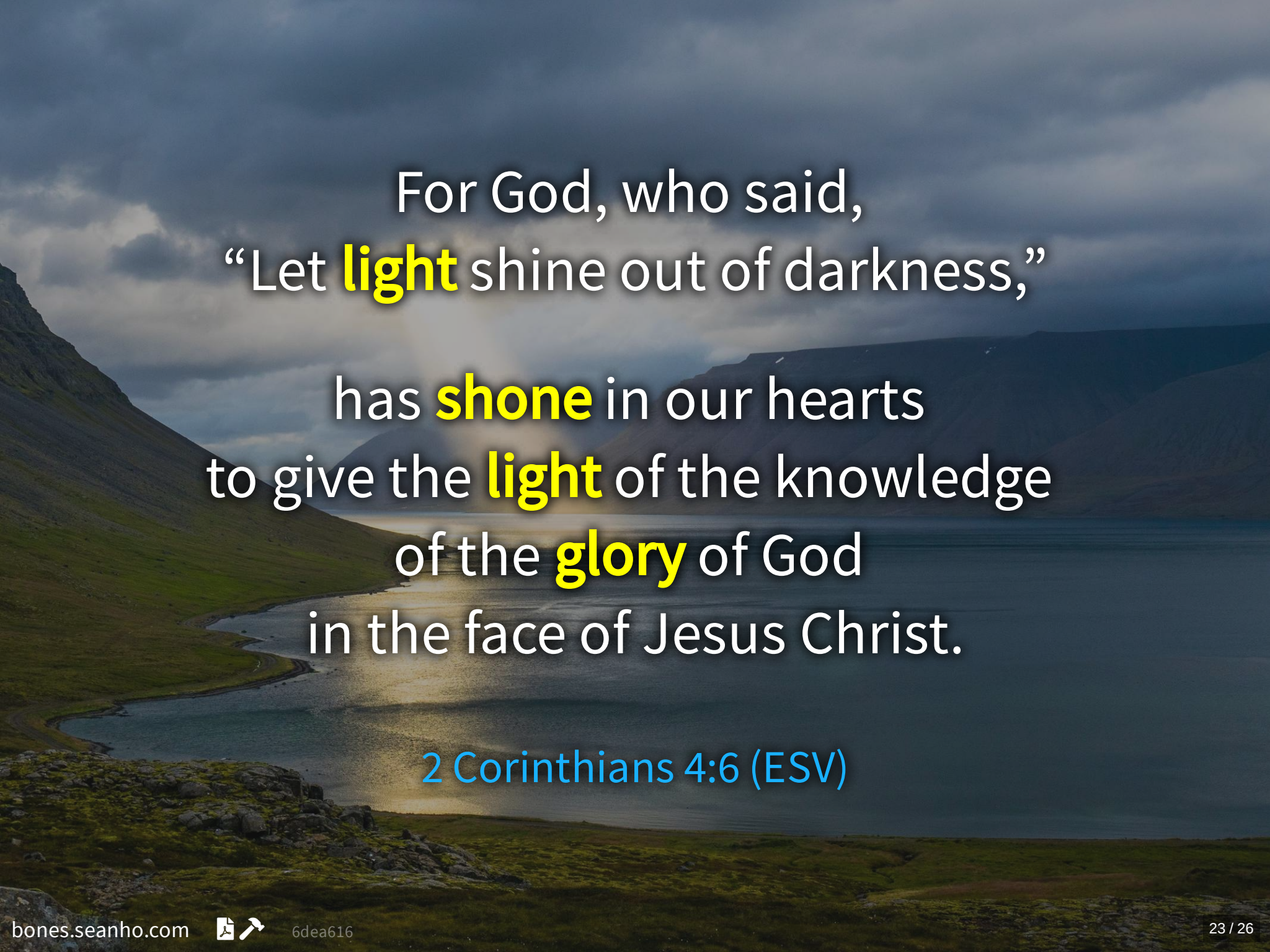
Luke 11:26 (ESV) (p.2/2)

And I will put my **Spirit** within you,  
and you shall **live**,  
and I will place you in your own **land**.

Then you shall **know** that I am the Lord;  
I have **spoken**, and I will **do** it,  
declares the Lord.”

Ezekiel 37:14 (ESV)

Iceland. Davide Cantelli



For God, who said,  
“Let **light** shine out of darkness,”  
has **shone** in our hearts  
to give the **light** of the knowledge  
of the **glory** of God  
in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 4:6 (ESV)

But you are a **chosen** race, a **royal** priesthood,  
a **holy** nation, a people for his **own** possession,  
that you may **proclaim** the excellencies of him  
who called you **out of darkness**  
into his **marvelous light**.

2 Peter 2:9-10 (ESV)

Chuckanut Mountain, US. Patrick Fore



Have I **experienced**  
God's power to  
change?

Will I **proclaim** it?

