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# Ezekiel Offered Hope

## **UNIT VERSE**

"My thoughts are not your thoughts, and your ways are not my ways." This is the LORD's declaration. ISAIAH 55:8 (CSB)

Look up the Bible references and match it to the difficult time that you would need God's comfort. Draw a line from the Bible reference to the situation.

Matthew 28:20

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Psalm 56:3

Psalm 34:18

James 5:14

Psalm 51:2

Matthew 11:28

When I feel afraid

When I am sick

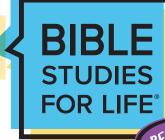
When I am tired

When I am sad

When I feel guilty

When I feel lonely

Write a prayer thanking God for the Bible.



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### THE BIBLE MEETS LIFE

Parents, today's Bible story helped your child learn that the Bible gives hope. Ezekiel prophesied to the exiles of Judah and Israel. God promised His people they would one day return and reunite as one nation.



# LIVE IT OUT

Talk with your child about some situations that seem hopeless. Share that to the world many things might seem hopeless but that because of Jesus, we can have hope!



#### LEVEL OF BIBLICAL LEARNING

The Bible teaches how God wants me to live.

# DAILY BIBLE READING

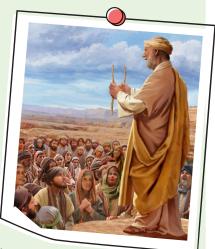
Sunday: Ezekiel 37:27 Monday: Zephaniah 3:17 Tuesday: Isaiah 9:7 Wednesday: Daniel 2:44 Thursday: Romans 15:4 Friday: Proverbs 24:14 Saturday: Numbers 23:19 CONVERSATION

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#### EZEKIEL 37

Ezekiel was a prophet. God gave him special messages He wanted people to hear. God's people, the Israelites, had been attacked by enemies and forced to leave their land. The people had lost hope they would ever be able to go back to their land again. God wanted His people to know He had the power to save them.

One day God took Ezekiel and set him down in the middle of a valley. All around him, the entire valley was full of dry



bones. The bones were laying all around him. God asked Ezekiel if the bones could live. Ezekiel answered that only God knew if they could live.

God told Ezekiel to speak to the bones and tell them to hear the word of the Lord. Ezekiel did what God asked him to do. Suddenly, there was a rattling sound! Each one of the bones came together, bone to bone, and flesh and skin began to cover them! God told Ezekiel to command them to breathe and they came to life and stood on their feet! There was a large army standing all around Ezekiel!

God explained to Ezekiel that just like the bones, God could restore hope and take the people back to their land. God asked Ezekiel to pick up two sticks and write on them. One stick stood for Israel and one for Judah. God was going to bring them together and they would be one nation again.

God promised that He would live with them, He would be their God, and they would be His people. He would take them back to their land just like He had promised them.

#### WEEKLY BIBLE VERSE: Ezekiel 37:27

LIFE POINT: The Bible gives people hope.



**TAKE IT FURTHER:** Check out the *Ezekiel Offered Hope* section of the Bible Studies for Life: Kids Family App.

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