

## **Yeah, but...Ezekiel 37**

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Several weeks ago I made the statement that the Matthew 24 Series would end and that I would begin a new series. My intention was to begin a series on why we should not be using the word "church." I will, Lord willing, and I absolutely believe that He is willing- but I will be providing you some information on the history of the word, its origins - and will show that using the word today - is one of the greatest hindrances to advancing the Kingdom of God. It is one of the major reasons why the Kingdom of God - for the most part - is hidden from the people.

So, if anyone of you would like to go ahead and join me and stop using that word today, I'm quite certain that our Father in Heaven would appreciate it. If you believe that it is His Will - that His Will be done in heaven and in earth - and that means right now - then I'm telling you that it His Kingdom that should be preached and not a "church" because when you understand what the two are - you will see they are as far apart as night and day, right and wrong, left and right.

As I have explained before, the purpose of teaching Fulfilled Bible Prophecy - in that ALL - and again I mean ALL - A L L - All Bible prophecies were fulfilled in Jesus - in Yeshua - He fulfilled them all - there is nothing in the writings of Moses, in the writings of David, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel - all of them - there is nothing in those writings that Jesus of Nazareth, the man who walked on this earth - whether you know Him by the name Jesus - or by the name Yeshua - His generation fulfilled EVERY SINGLE prophecy that had been written prior to His revealing to the world.

Now, I'm telling you again - if you do not believe that He fulfilled them all - if you believe that there are yet to be fulfilled Bible prophecies - from Moses or Isaiah or Jeremiah or from John's book of Revelation - then Jesus - Yeshua - was not the Messiah.

To be Biblically correct - you can't have it both ways. You can't say that the Jesus / Yeshua that we have all read about our entire lives - you cannot say that He was the Messiah - and then say that prophecies are yet to be fulfilled.

Three weeks ago, I played a short clip from a jewish rabbi whose mission it is to make sure that the modern jew does not fall into deception by accepting - as he said - "Jesus" and then if a jew has accepted "Jesus" - he has a rescue ministry to help them come out of this deception. The deception that Jesus, the Jesus of the English Bible, that this Jesus / Yeshua - was not the Messiah.

This rabbi stated it as clearly as I have ever stated in all these messages - that Jesus was not the Messiah because He did not fulfill the prophecies. At this time, I am going to play his message again. If you are hearing a replay of this message, I would ask you to rewind and listen to this rabbi as many times as you need to - to hear his message loud and clear. Jesus WAS NOT the Messiah - because He did not fulfill the prophecies.

Listen closely please.

Now, let me make some very important comments here before we go to the Scripture. He is talking about "churchianity" here - he - like most in the world today - do not know what real Christianity is. When he says that churchianity says that Jesus fulfilled prophecies - he is in no wise saying that churchianity teaches that Jesus fulfilled ALL the prophecies. Churchianity says that Jesus / Yeshua - fulfilled SOME of the prophecies - and then when He comes again - He will fulfill the rest of them. This is the major objection to what Singer is pointing out - and - in that regard - Singer is 100% correct.

If Jesus / Yeshua - did not fulfill the specific prophecies that Singer points out - then He was not the Messiah. But I'm here to tell you that He DID fulfill not just the 4 prophecies that Singer directly refers to - He fulfilled them ALL.

When I told you last week, about the Yeah, buts, that I have heard for so many years when discussing Fulfilled Bible Prophecy - this is what I mean. Churchianity is teaching the jews religion.

Singer says - there are certain events that must take place quote "in the Messianic age." Just like I have said to you now - many many times - if you do not believe that the "end of the world" has already taken place - then Jesus / Yeshua was not the Messiah. The rabbi is saying - certain events were to take place in the Messianic age - and because those events were not fulfilled in the first century - the Messianic age is future. If the Messianic age is future - Jesus was not the Messiah.

I ask you again - is this the conclusion you want in your life today? The rabbi is right. Listen to me - if the end of the world has not taken place - then the Messiah is yet to come. You can't say that Jesus WAS the Messiah - and is a coming Messiah - you can't have it both ways.

This is why I have said to you - Jesus WAS the Messiah - He finished 100% - totally - completely - the work of the Messiah - He is no longer the Messiah - the nameplate on the office of Messiah has been replaced with King of kings and Lord of lords.

Singer is claiming the Messiah to be exclusively Jewish. He is saying, the Messiah prophesied in the Law and the Prophets belongs exclusively to them and you can't have it.

Knowing this to be the case, as you read through the New Testament again, with this understanding, you will begin to see why the Jews of that day did not accept Him as the Messiah.

In last week's message, we covered Isaiah 11 - and I believe we covered it really well. I showed you how Christ - I mean Jesus - Yeshua - the reason I corrected myself is because I'm trying to get you to see that Jesus - Yeshua - the One Who came here over 2,000 years ago - He was the Christ. I showed you what Jesus had to say about the temple. Destroy this temple and I will raise it up again in three days. The unrepentant, hard-hearted, blind Jews were taking His words as being terroristic threats of bombing the temple that was in existence that day - and could not see that the rebuilt temple He was talking about was HIM. He was the temple that fulfilled Isaiah 11. He was the stem of the root of Jesse. He was the rod. And the apostle Paul in Romans 15 made it very clear that the prophecy of Isaiah 11 was fulfilled in Jesus - in Yeshua.

Yeah, but....yeah, but as the rabbi said, what about Ezekiel 37? Alright, let's roll up our sleeves and get to work. However, this work is going to be some of the most fun times you are ever going to have. Seeing Ezekiel 37 fulfilled in the first century - in Jesus Christ the King of kings and Lord of lords is simply going to be fun. Very enjoyable and fulfilling seeing this right before our eyes.

Since the rabbi brought it up - let's go right to it. Ezekiel 37.

[1] The hand of Yahweh was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of Yahweh, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones,

Just yesterday, my wife was asking me, "How do we know what is literal and what is symbolic?" Here's an excellent example. Carried me out in the spirit of Yahweh. Come on now. Let's not make this harder than it is. This is a vision. This is a prophecy and we are learning principles here. After all, it's the principles we learn from the Scriptures is what is important. From the stories of the Bible - whether literal or allegorical - we find the Will of God for His creation. Finding the Will of God - how he wants us to live - that's what is the most important. What things we do that please Him and what things that are done that displease Him. That is finding the Will of God - "thy Will be done in Heaven and in earth." Verse 2.

[2] And caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, there were very many in the open valley; and, lo, they were very dry.

[3] And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord GOD, thou knowest.

[4] Again he said unto me, Prophecy upon these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of Yahweh.

[5] Thus saith the Lord GOD unto these bones; Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live:

Now, as you read prophecies like this one, I would hope that things that we have read from the Scriptures would come into our minds. And again, let me remind of you something I said last week - if we refuse to understand the words of Christ - Jesus - Yeshua - that the days in which He was living - "these by the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled," if we are operating under any other method of understanding - we're going to miss it. And we will fail to identify the Messiah, when He came, what He did, Who He was, and we will eventually dissolve ourselves into preaching the Jews religion.

Keep your finger here in Ezekiel 37 and turn to John 20. I meant to suggest at the outset of this message, that if you have not already been doing so, jot down the Bible references so that you can go back and look again. My wife reminded me last Sunday that sometimes I get so excited about what I'm seeing in the Word that I start going really fast - and maybe people are keeping up with me. So, as I try to slow it down a little, maybe if you wrote these verses down as we go - you go back and look and make sure what I'm telling you is so.

John 20:21 - this is after Jesus Who was and is Christ - had risen from the dead.

[21] Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.

[22] And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:

Keep in mind what we just read in Ezekiel 37 - "Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live:"

[23] Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.

[24] But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.

[25] The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.

[26] And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you.

[27] Then saith he to Thomas, reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.

[28] And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.

[29] Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.

[30] And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:

[31] But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

I'm telling you today that it was the breath of Jesus Christ, Yeshua the Christ, that fulfilled Ezekiel 37:5. Listen to Matthew 23:27

[27] Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye are like unto whited sepulchres, which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead men's bones, and of all uncleanness.

Back to Ezekiel 37:

[6] And I will lay sinews upon you, and will bring up flesh upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I am Yahweh.

[7] So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and behold a shaking, and the bones came together, bone to his bone.

[8] And when I beheld, lo, the sinews and the flesh came up upon them, and the skin covered them above: but there was no breath in them.

Listen to Ephesians 5:29-30

For no man ever yet hated his own flesh; but nourisheth and cherisheth it, even as the Lord the ecclesia:

**[30]** For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.

Now, you might say, that's a little generic text to bring out as a proof text for Ezekiel 37. But hang on, let's keep going.

**[9]** Then said he unto me, Prophecy unto the wind, prophecy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.

I'm hoping now that the phrase "the four winds" makes your ears perk up a little. In reference to the first century - Matthew 24:30-31

And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

**[31]** And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

Back to Ezekiel 37 verse 10 - keeping mind His body, His flesh, His bones, gathering together His elect from the four winds - all of this nearly word for word comparing Ezekiel and the New Testament. Now verse 10.

**[10]** So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army.

Go back to Ephesians chapter 6. Beginning with verse 10:

**[10]** Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

**[11]** Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

**[12]** For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

**[13]** Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

**[14]** Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the

breastplate of righteousness;

[15] And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

[16] Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked.

[17] And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:

Isn't this language describing the outfitting of an army? Absolutely it is. This is Ezekiel 37 being fulfilled in the first century. Let's keep going in Ezekiel 37.

[11] Then he said unto me, Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel: behold, they say, Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: we are cut off for our parts.

Alright now. Let's look at this again.

[11] Then he said unto me, Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel: behold, they say, Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: we are cut off for our parts.

[12] Therefore prophesy and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, O my people, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel.

Matthew 27:50. This is the crucifixion of Jesus. This is Yeshua. I am not specifically at this point referring to Him as Christ. I am speaking specifically as to Jesus. The One Who walked among men, over 2,000 years ago, in the first century. I will open your graves and cause you to come out of your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel - Ezekiel 37:12.

Matthew 27:50

[50] Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.

[51] And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;

[52] And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,

[53] And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many.

[54] Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw

the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.

Ezekiel 37, 13

**[13]** And ye shall know that I am Yahweh, when I have opened your graves, O my people, and brought you up out of your graves,

**[14]** And shall put my spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land: then shall ye know that I Yahweh have spoken it, and performed it, saith Yahweh.

Alright. Now at this point. Let's agree for sake of argument that I'm stretching out. Let's say at the crucifixion of Jesus, the graves were opened, there was an earthquake, one of the soldiers said, "Truly, this was the Son of God" but let's just say that I'm stretching this to fit Ezekiel 37. Let's look for more evidence. Let's insert a "Yeah, but...right here. Verse 15 of Ezekiel 37.

**[15]** The word of Yahweh came again unto me, saying,

**[16]** Moreover, thou son of man, take thee one stick, and write upon it, For Judah, and for the children of Israel his companions: then take another stick, and write upon it, For Joseph, the stick of Ephraim, and for all the house of Israel his companions:

**[17]** And join them one to another into one stick; and they shall become one in thine hand.

**[18]** And when the children of thy people shall speak unto thee, saying, Wilt thou not shew us what thou meanest by these?

**[19]** Say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellows, and will put them with him, even with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand.

**[20]** And the sticks whereon thou writest shall be in thine hand before their eyes.

Alright. So, at the time of the fulfillment of Ezekiel 37, the mystery of the two sticks - which it has been called - which I honestly don't know how it can be called a mystery - he's plainly saying that God is going to make His people one Kingdom again. When the Messiah comes, He'll make bring His people back together into one Kingdom. Verse 19 again.

**[19]** Say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the stick of

Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellows, and will put them with him, even with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand.

Look with me please to John 10. We will begin reading in verse 1. Hear the words of Jesus. Hear the words of Yeshua. Please remember that for today - I am purposely NOT calling Him Christ. I am purposely NOT calling Him Lord. The Jewish rabbi has told us that Jesus, Yeshua is NOT Christ. He is NOT Lord. He is NOT Messiah - because He did not fulfill Ezekiel 37. And I am trying with everything I have within to tell you that if you do not believe that Jesus was the fulfillment of Ezekiel 37 - over 2,000 years ago - then Jesus - Yeshua WAS NOT THE MESSIAH. Couldn't have been. Just like the rabbi said.

But I'm telling you today that THIS JESUS Whom ye slew and hung on a tree hath God - Almighty God - Yahweh - He hath made Him both Saviour and Christ. He is the Christ. He was the Messiah. And now He is the King of kings and Lord of lords - and not only is He King of kings and Lord of lords - but He is the LAST of the Kings that God allows for His people and for His creation - and it is the responsibility of every living breathing creature to conform to His Kingship and His Kingship ALONE - right now.

And it is so because Jesus Yeshua fulfilled ALL the prophecies. Contrary to what the rabbi thinks - Jesus - Yeshua fulfilled Ezekiel 37. Lest we forget, we are finding the fulfillment of the kingdom being made once again from Ezekiel 37:19. John 10.

[1] Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber.

[2] But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd of the sheep.

[3] To him the porter openeth; and the sheep hear his voice: and he calleth his own sheep by name, and leadeth them out.

[4] And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice.

[5] And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers.

[6] This parable spake Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them.

[7] Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep.

[8] All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them.

[9] I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in

and out, and find pasture.

[10] The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.

[11] I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.

[12] But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep.

[13] The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep.

[14] I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine.

[15] As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep.

[16] And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

This is Jesus. This is Yeshua. These words were spoken over 2,000 years ago. Was He the Good Shepherd? Did He do what He said He came to do? I'm telling today that if this Jesus, this Yeshua is Who you believe is Christ - then you should be able to see the fulfillment of Ezekiel 37 right here in John 10.

Now watch beginning in verse 17:

[17] Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again.

[18] No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father.

[19] There was a division therefore again among the Jews for these sayings.

Yeah, there was a division alright. Just like there is today. And the division is because some believed He was Who Moses in the Law and the prophets did write - and some refused to believe that He was the Christ, the King of Israel. Verse 20.

[20] And many of them said, He hath a devil, and is mad; why hear ye him?

[21] Others said, These are not the words of him that hath a devil. Can a devil open the eyes of the blind?

[22] And it was at Jerusalem the feast of the dedication, and it was winter.

[23] And Jesus walked in the temple in Solomon's porch.

[24] Then came the Jews round about him, and said unto him, How long dost thou make us to doubt? If thou be the Christ, tell us plainly.

Friends, here it is. Is He Christ or not? Is Jesus the Christ? Is Yeshua the Christ? We know absolutely, positively, beyond any shadow of a doubt, because this Jesus was the fulfillment of Ezekiel 37. Ezekiel 37 is not a future fulfillment like the rabbi says. And if you insist on saying that it is - by the rabbis own words - you are preaching the jews religion. You can't have it both ways.

[25] Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me.

[26] But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you.

[27] My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

Was He the Good Shepherd? Did He do what He said? Did He make the sheep one fold? The rabbi doesn't believe that. The rabbi offers a "Yeah, but...." Is this what you are going to do? Verse 28.

[28] And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.

What did Ezekiel 37:19 say?

[19] Say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellows, and will put them with him, even with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand.

In His own words, He is saying - I am the Good Shepherd that fulfilled Ezekiel 37.

How could He do this? Because He fulfilled Ezekiel and He breathed life into those dry bones.

[29] My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.

[30] I and my Father are one.

[31] Then the Jews took up stones again to stone him.

[32] Jesus answered them, Many good works have I shewed you from my Father; for which of those works do ye stone me?

[33] The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God.

He had finally made it very clear to these people that Yes, He was the Christ. He was the fulfillment of the prophecies - and in particular today - Ezekiel 37.

[34] Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods?

[35] If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken;

[36] Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God?

[37] If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not.

[38] But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe the works: that ye may know, and believe, that the Father is in me, and I in him.

[39] Therefore they sought again to take him: but he escaped out of their hand,

[40] And went away again beyond Jordan into the place where John at first baptized; and there he abode.

[41] And many resorted unto him, and said, John did no miracle: but all things that John spake of this man were true.

[42] And many believed on him there.

Back to Ezekiel 37.

[21] And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land:

[22] And I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel; and one king shall be king to them all: and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms any more at all:

Well, I ask you today. Who is this King that makes them one nation? Is it the Good Shepherd. Is it Jesus / Yeshua? Or is the Messiah yet to come? Is it a Jewish messiah that Rabbi Tovias Singer is looking for?

Yeah, but.....aren't these all literal land promises? Those didn't happen. I know we haven't already forgotten Joshua 21:43-45. Yahweh does not owe any land promises to Israel. He kept His word. They possessed the land. There failed not ought of any good thing that Yahweh spoke to the house of Israel: all came to pass. Verse 23.

[23] Neither shall they defile themselves any more with their idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgressions: but I will save them out of all their dwellingplaces, wherein they have sinned, and will cleanse them: so shall they be

my people, and I will be their God.

Several weeks ago, while we were discussing Revelation 20, we dealt with this exact same language. This is the New Covenant. Hebrews 8:

[8] For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:

[9] Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.

[10] For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:

[11] And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest.

[12] For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.

[13] In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.

I simply do not how this can be any clearer. Ezekiel 37:23 is almost word for word Hebrews 8 and the writer of Hebrews 8 is explaining the New Covenant. I'm trying to get you to see that if you do not believe that Ezekiel 37 has been fulfilled - you are not living in the New Covenant. You are still practicing the jews' religion. As painful as that may be to hear - it's the truth - and I can't sugar coat it - I can't make it easy to swallow - futurism has sold us a bill of goods that is damnable heresy. It causes us to deny the Messiah Who came and look for another who is an imposter.

The ultimate purpose of the Messiah was to become the Christ. The Saviour, the Redeemer and King. Sadly today, we have not followed the King - because we are still looking for a messiah. We haven't even advanced past the messiah stage which makes us so far from the Kingdom - it's no wonder - it's easy to see why we are in the shape we are in today. Ezekiel 37:24:

[24] And David my servant shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also walk in my judgments, and observe my statutes, and do them.

We've talked about this over and over. Jesus was the Christ. Jesus / Yeshua fulfilled the Davidic Covenant which was the promise that God would raise up Christ - it doesn't say raise up Jesus - it says the promise was to raise up Christ to sit on David's throne. And Acts 2 tells us - as plainly as anything in the entire Bible can be said - that JESUS - YESHUA - by His resurrection from the dead - fulfilled the promise to David, that of the fruit of his loins according to the flesh, He would raise up Christ to sit on his throne. And THIS JESUS - whom ye slew and hung on a tree - THIS JESUS - THIS YESHUA - God hath made Him Christ. He is King. He is Lord.

Luke 1: 26 - keeping solidly in remembrance now, what we just read in Ezekiel 37:24

[24] And David my servant shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also walk in my judgments, and observe my statutes, and do them.

Now Luke 1:26

[26] And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth,

[27] To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.

[28] And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women.

[29] And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be.

[30] And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God.

[31] And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.

[32] He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:

[33] And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

Oh my goodness, friends. If we can't see Ezekiel 37:24 announced right here prior to the birth of Jesus - I don't know what else to do or say. How can these things be any clearer. But I need to remind you that the rabbi said that Jesus / Yeshua was not the Messiah because He did not fulfill Ezekiel 37. Friends, if you say that Jesus did not fulfill

Ezekiel 37 - you are preaching the jews' religion. Verse 25 of Ezekiel 37.

[25] And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, even they, and their children, and their children's children for ever: and my servant David shall be their prince for ever.

[26] Moreover I will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore.

[27] My tabernacle also shall be with them: yea, I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

[28] And the heathen shall know that I Yahweh do sanctify Israel, when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore.

I challenge any one listening to my voice to read Ezekiel 37 and find thousands of years in here between fulfillments of the several prophecies here in this chapter. Yeah, but....He fulfilled some of them, but not all of them. Yeah, but....the rabbi said the Messiah would fulfill ALL of them. And to that, I 100% totally, absolutely, whatever hyperbole you want to throw in there - I am in total agreement with the rabbi. The Messiah is required to fulfill them all.

And I'm telling you today - that Jesus said, to His disciples, over 2000 years ago, "This generation shall not pass away, till ALL ALL ALL these things be fulfilled." "These be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled."

All things that were written were fulfilled in the first century - beginning with John the Baptist - followed through by the first advent of Christ - continued through the apostles - then culminating with the second advent of Christ where He was revealed to the world as the King of kings and Lord of lords when He came at the end of the Old Covenant world - at AD 70 when the temple was destroyed - in perfect fulfillment of His own words - "This generation - this people - nation, time and period - this time period that the people who He was sent to in the first century - This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled."

In our study of Revelation 20, we dealt extensively with Revelation 21 proving conclusively that the New Heavens and the New Earth and the New Jerusalem - are all language and terms referencing the New Covenant. Once again, as he did earlier in the chapter, he concludes Ezekiel 37 with the ultimate prize - the New Covenant Kingdom of Age of Christ. And almost word for word, Revelation 21:1-3 reinforces Ezekiel 37.

[1] And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

[2] And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

[3] And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

Again I say, if the end of the world has not already occurred. If the heavens and the earth have not passed away - if there is still a place for a physical temple - a physical Jerusalem - if the New Jerusalem - the Jerusalem from above has not replaced the Jerusalem below - then the Messiah has not come. If the prophecies have not been fulfilled, then we are still in the Old Covenant world. You can't have it both ways.

The rabbi could not be any clearer in his mission. His mission is to keep jews from falling for Jesus. His mission is to bring jews who have fallen for Jesus - back to Judaism. His argument is that Jesus was not the Messiah because He did not fulfill Ezekiel 37. I believe I have shown conclusively from the Scriptures that Ezekiel 37 finds its fulfillment - in Jesus - in Yeshua. ALL of Ezekiel 37 is found in Jesus - in Yeshua - because He was the Messiah and He IS the King. He's not a coming King. He's not coming here again. He's done all that was promised. He kept His Father's Word. He gave us a Kingdom that cannot be moved. Now, let US serve His Kingdom. Let us obey Him now and let us reveal His Will on earth as it is in heaven.

In conclusion today, I'd like to share something that quite frankly, I just recently discovered. I'm glad I found this. I'm a little embarrassed that it took this long, but it is very interesting.

I have never spent a lot of time in the books of the Apocrypha. I haven't done so mainly because I felt they were very Catholic - well, I believe they are still in the Catholic Bible, but since the original King James Bible - which had them - they've not been in many English Bibles. In my own studies, I am going to go back and revisit my thoughts on the Apocrypha to make sure that my conclusions are based on my own study and not those of others who may have had some influence on me.

Anyway, I was reading from what is called the Wisdom of Jesus Son of Sirach. When you read this book, it reminds me of reading Ecclesiastes or the Song of Solomon. And maybe even some of Proverbs. In this book, I found myself reading from chapter 13. I

am going to read this to you beginning in verse 1 through verse 17. When I get to verse 17, I'm simply going to read it again, then close today's message.

[1] He that toucheth pitch shall be defiled therewith; and he that hath fellowship with a proud man shall be like unto him.

[2] Burden not thyself above thy power while thou livest; and have no fellowship with one that is mightier and richer than thyself: for how agree the kettle and the earthen pot together? for if the one be smitten against the other, it shall be broken.

[3] The rich man hath done wrong, and yet he threateneth withal: the poor is wronged, and he must intreat also.

[4] If thou be for his profit, he will use thee: but if thou have nothing, he will forsake thee.

[5] If thou have any thing, he will live with thee: yea, he will make thee bare, and will not be sorry for it.

[6] If he have need of thee, he will deceive thee, and smile upon thee, and put thee in hope; he will speak thee fair, and say, What wantest thou?

[7] And he will shame thee by his meats, until he have drawn thee dry twice or thrice, and at the last he will laugh thee to scorn afterward, when he seeth thee, he will forsake thee, and shake his head at thee.

[8] Beware that thou be not deceived and brought down in thy jollity.

[9] If thou be invited of a mighty man, withdraw thyself, and so much the more will he invite thee.

[10] Press thou not upon him, lest thou be put back; stand not far off, lest thou be forgotten.

[11] Affect not to be made equal unto him in talk, and believe not his many words: for with much communication will he tempt thee, and smiling upon thee will get out thy secrets:

[12] But cruelly he will lay up thy words, and will not spare to do thee hurt, and to put thee in prison.

[13] Observe, and take good heed, for thou walkest in peril of thy overthrowing: when thou hearest these things, awake in thy sleep.

[14] Love the Lord all thy life, and call upon him for thy salvation.

[15] Every beast loveth his like, and every man loveth his neighbor.

[16] All flesh consorteth according to kind, and a man will cleave to his like.

[17] What fellowship hath the wolf with the lamb? so the sinner with the godly.

Listen again to verse 17.

**[17]** What fellowship hath the wolf with the lamb? so the sinner with the godly.

He is speaking allegory here. As with everything else he was trying to describe in the first 16 verses, he says "the wolf and the lamb" he calls it the sinner with the godly. Once again, causing the wolf to lie with the lamb - is symbolic language for the power of Christ which can cause the sinful wolf to be transformed into a lamb.