

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

## Scripture

Ezekiel 37:1-6, 16-17, 20-28

## Session Summary

The Lord brought His prophet, Ezekiel, to a valley full of dry bones to show him the hopelessness of life in exile, but also to reveal the power of God to raise the dead and restore His people. The Lord commanded the prophet to prophesy to the bones. As Ezekiel spoke the promise of life, the bones began to rattle, and then they were joined by tendons and covered with flesh. The Lord then completed the resurrection process by breathing life into the lifeless bodies. The vision gave hope to the people in Ezekiel's day that God would bring them back to their land. It also gives us hope by reminding us the Word of God has resurrection power, which makes us alive and restores our relationship to God.

## Conversation Questions

- In what ways does our family need God to breathe new life in us?
- Through the restoration of our relationship with God, what does new life through Him actually look like?
- How can our family prioritize spending time in God's Word in order to discover its life-giving truth?
- How can the fact that God can give life to things that are hopeless and dead encourage those around us?

## Family Challenge

As a family, pick out a type of plant to grow in your yard or a pot inside your home. Start with just the seeds and work together to spend the time caring for the plant over time. Everyone should take a turn watering the plant or making sure it gets enough sunlight each week. As the plant begins to grow, use this as a symbol for your family of how God brings new life and growth for those who trust in Him.