Good morning, Church. Daily Reading, John 7.

Ezekiel 37:5-6 "Thus says the Lord God to these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. 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." (ESV)

One day, I was mowing the back lawn, which was covered in Sycamore leaves. There is a reason the tree is called a Sycamore, and that is because the leaves produce something that when dry can make you sick. In my case, whatever is on the leaves literally took my breath away. Not figuratively like, "The mountains were so beautiful they took my breath away." No, after mowing for just a short while, I could not breathe.

When God took Ezekiel out into the valley of dry bones, He did not just connect bones, add sinew and flesh, He breathed life into those bones. Bones plus sinew plus skin without breath is just a corpse. But those three with breath is life.

With Jesus in our lives, we are not just living skin and bones, but the very Spirit of God lives within us, allowing us to live life to the fullest. To live a life that brings glory to God.

Job 33:4 "The Spirit of God has made me,

and the breath of the Almighty gives me life." (ESV)

My friend Bob is in the hospital recovering from pneumonia, and the doctors are administering oxygen to help him breathe. But, during my visit, it was evident where Bob's hope and faith were planted, and that is in his Savior, who gives true life. Please pray for Bob.

Don't just live life, live life for the glory of God.