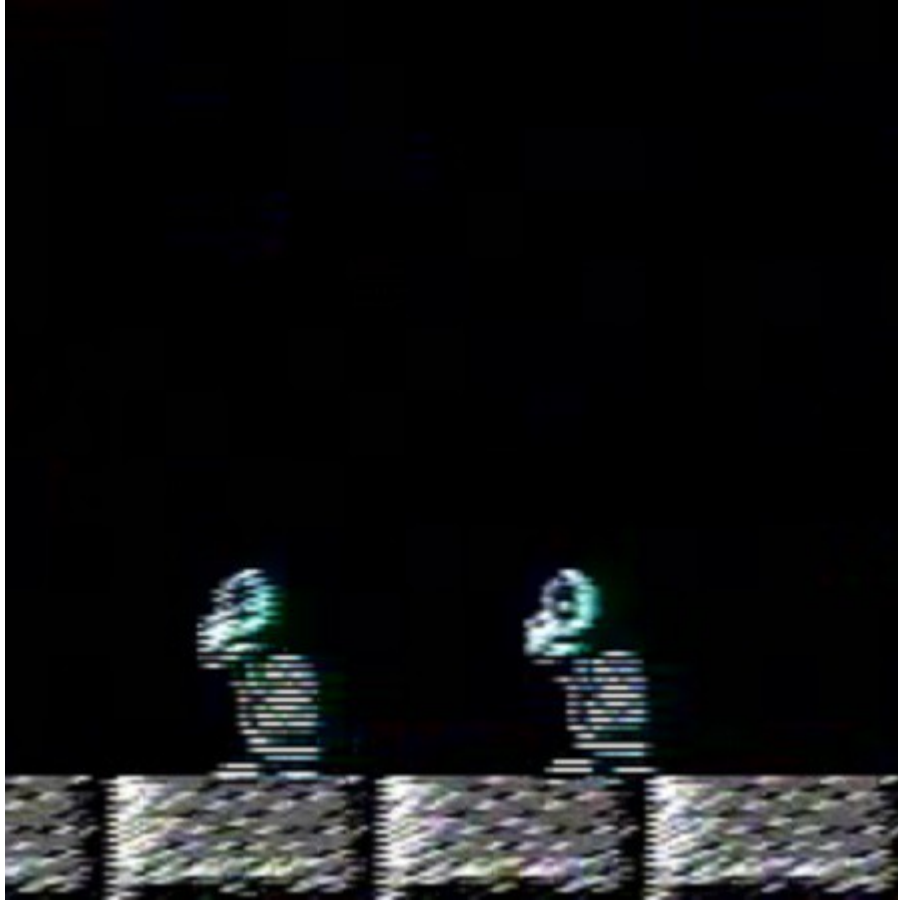


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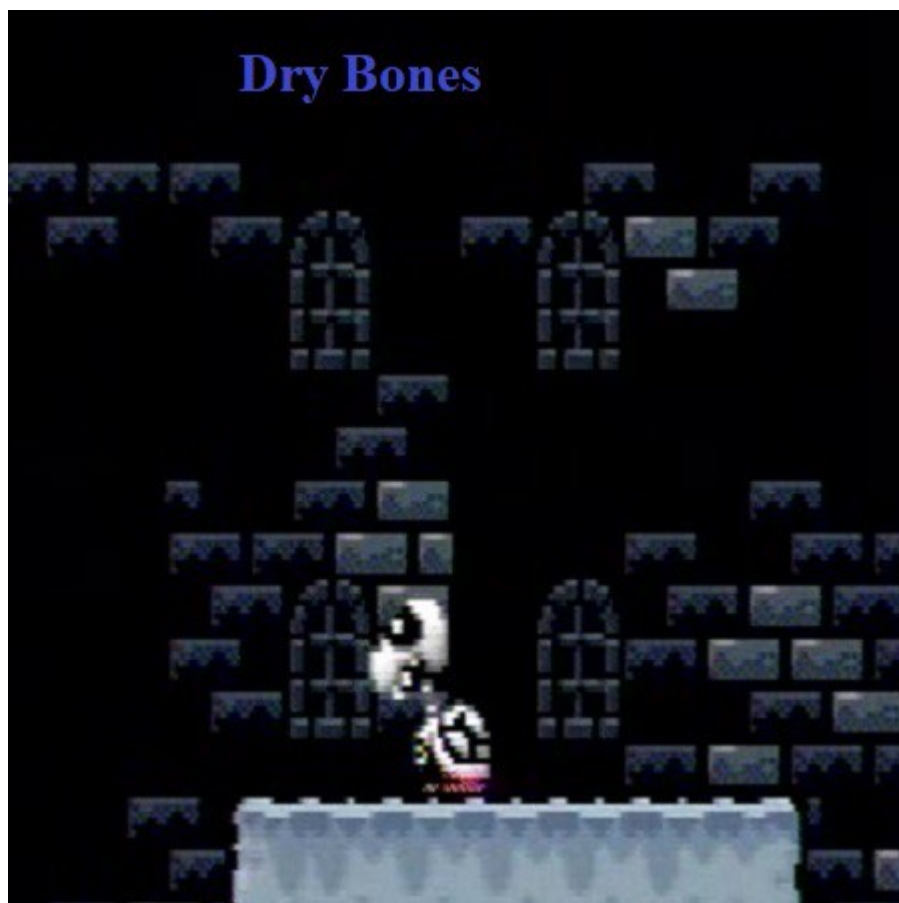
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Topic: Using This Sworn Enemy To Relate God's
Plan Of Life Over Death To Us

Has anyone taking this lesson ever played the older school Super Mario Bros. series of games? Most people have (especially the people that would be 35 yrs and up).

In this lesson, we are studying the character from the Super Mario Bros. series (namely Mario 3 and Marioworld) known as “Dry Bones”. I am confident that they loosely made him through the scriptures and he has a lot to say about the Bible just by looking at him.



“Dry Bones” is a sworn enemy of Mario and is in my opinion also a symbol of death in the game and in our spiritual lives.

If anyone ever goes hunting, they never want to run into an animal without meat if it is for food. “Dry Bones” in the game of Mario is a dead turtle that is mummified, but somehow it lives (without flesh of the living). In other words, with “Dry Bones”, you get no food. He is common in fortresses and castles in the game series; in a very real sense he guards bosses and blocks the way.

In the spiritual sense, “Dry Bones” is a stumbling block to our goal of salvation.

We are going to look at a series of questions and look at God's plan.

The first question is: How did “Dry Bones” happen? In the spiritual all of us without Jesus are considered “Dry Bones”. This came about when sin came into the world. Let's look at Genesis 3.

Gen 3:1 Now the serpent was more subtle than any beast of the field which Jehovah God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of any tree of the garden?

Gen 3:2 And the woman said unto the serpent, Of the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat:

Gen 3:3 but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

Gen 3:4 And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

Gen 3:5 for God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as God, knowing good and evil.

Gen 3:6 And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat; and she gave also unto her husband with her, and he did eat.

Gen 3:7 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig-leaves together, and made themselves

aprons.

Gen 3:8 And they heard the voice of Jehovah God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of Jehovah God amongst the trees of the garden.

Gen 3:9 And Jehovah God called unto the man, and said unto him, Where art thou?

Gen 3:10 And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.

Gen 3:11 And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

Gen 3:12 And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.

Gen 3:13 And Jehovah God said unto the woman, What is this thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

Gen 3:14 And Jehovah God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, cursed art thou above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon

thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life:

Gen 3:15 and I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed: he shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Gen 3:16 Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy pain and thy conception; in pain thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

Gen 3:17 And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in toil shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life;

Gen 3:18 thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field;

Gen 3:19 in the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

Gen 3:20 And the man called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living.

Gen 3:21 And Jehovah God made for Adam and for his wife coats of skins, and clothed them.

Gen 3:22 And Jehovah God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil; and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever--

Gen 3:23 therefore Jehovah God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken.

Gen 3:24 So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden the Cherubim, and the flame of a sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

The devil got us through Eve and then Adam to become “Dry Bones” while we are this way, we are considered sworn enemies of God.

However, there is hope, because in this unfortunate win for the devil's plans, God promised that it's not

over. Look at this scripture again in Genesis 3: 15.

Gen 3:15 and I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed: he shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

This is a prophecy of Jesus saving us from being like Dry Bones in the very real game of life.

The next question is: What are the penalties of being “Dry Bones”?

The answers my friends are bondage and death.

First we will look at one of the most famous scriptures and I'm sure this is the namesake of the Mario enemy known as “Dry Bones”

Let's look at Ezekiel 37.

Eze 37:1 The hand of Jehovah was upon me, and he brought me out in the Spirit of Jehovah, and set

me down in the midst of the valley; and it was full of bones.

Eze 37:2 And he caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, there were very many in the open valley; and, lo, they were very dry.

Eze 37:3 And he said unto me, Son of man, can these bones live? And I answered, O Lord Jehovah, thou knowest.

Eze 37:4 Again he said unto me, Prophecy over these bones, and say unto them, O ye dry bones, hear the word of Jehovah.

Eze 37:5 Thus saith the Lord Jehovah unto these bones: Behold, I will cause breath to enter into you, and ye shall live.

Eze 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 Jehovah.

Eze 37:7 So I prophesied as I was commanded: and as I prophesied, there was a noise, and, behold, an earthquake; and the bones came together, bone to its bone.

Eze 37:8 And I beheld, and, lo, there were sinews

upon them, and flesh came up, and skin covered them above; but there was no breath in them.

Eze 37:9 Then said he unto me, Prophecy unto the wind, prophesy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord Jehovah: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.

Eze 37:10 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.

Eze 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 up, and our hope is lost; we are clean cut off.

Eze 37:12 Therefore prophesy, and say unto them, Thus saith the Lord Jehovah: Behold, I will open your graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves, O my people; and I will bring you into the land of Israel.

Eze 37:13 And ye shall know that I am Jehovah, when I have opened your graves, and caused you to come up out of your graves, O my people.

Eze 37:14 And I will put my Spirit in you, and ye

shall live, and I will place you in your own land: and ye shall know that I, Jehovah, have spoken it and performed it, saith Jehovah.

Eze 37:15 The word of Jehovah came again unto me, saying,

Eze 37:16 And 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:

Eze 37:17 and join them for thee one to another into one stick, that they may become one in thy hand.

Eze 37:18 And when the children of thy people shall speak unto thee, saying, Wilt thou not show us what thou meanest by these?

Eze 37:19 say unto them, Thus saith the Lord Jehovah: Behold, I will take the stick of Joseph, which is in the hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his companions; and I will put them with it, *even* with the stick of Judah, and make them one

stick, and they shall be one in my hand.

Eze 37:20 And the sticks whereon thou writest shall be in thy hand before their eyes.

Eze 37:21 And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord Jehovah: Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the nations, whither they are gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land:

Eze 37:22 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;

Eze 37:23 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 dwelling-places, wherein they have sinned, and will cleanse them: so shall they be my people, and I will be their God.

Eze 37:24 And my servant David shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also walk in mine ordinances, and observe my statutes, and do them.

Eze 37:25 And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein your fathers dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, they, and their children, and their children's children, for ever: and David my servant shall be their prince for ever.

Eze 37:26 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.

Eze 37:27 My tabernacle also shall be with them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

Eze 37:28 And the nations shall know that I am Jehovah that sanctifieth Israel, when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore.

At this time in scripture, Israel was in bondage and slavery because of turning from God (most likely scattered throughout Babylon). This is a prophecy of Israel coming back home and then later becoming a nation again. (Israel became a nation

again in 1948). This prophecy also talks about Jesus' coming with talk of David's line ruling. This also tells us that Israel will be one nation (not Israel and Judah). Dry Bones will be no more eventually with this set of prophecies.

The next question is How close are we to ending Dry Bones' career of death?

This is unknown because we don't know when everything will be totally put back, but I can say how close we are in other ways.

In this Easter season, we remember how we got here and celebrate the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus Christ as our ransom for sins.

Let's look at Matthew 27: 32-66

Mat 27:32 And as they came out, they found a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him they compelled to go *with them*,

that he might bear his cross.

Mat 27:33 And when they were come unto a place called Golgotha, that is to say, The place of a skull,

Mat 27:34 they gave him wine to drink mingled with gall: and when he had tasted it, he would not drink.

Mat 27:35 And when they had crucified him, they parted his garments among them, casting lots;

Mat 27:36 and they sat and watched him there.

Mat 27:37 And they set up over his head his accusation written, THIS IS JESUS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

Mat 27:38 Then are there crucified with him two robbers, one on the right hand and one on the left.

Mat 27:39 And they that passed by railed on him, wagging their heads,

Mat 27:40 and saying, Thou that

destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself: if thou art the Son of God, come down from the cross.

Mat 27:41 In like manner also the chief priests mocking *him*, with the scribes and elders, said,

Mat 27:42 He saved others; himself he cannot save. He is the King of Israel; let him now come down from the cross, and we will believe on him.

Mat 27:43 *He trusteth on God; let him deliver him now, if he desireth him:* for he said, I am the Son of God.

Mat 27:44 And the robbers also that were crucified with him cast upon him the same reproach.

Mat 27:45 Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land until the ninth hour.

Mat 27:46 And about the ninth hour

Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, *Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani?* that is, *My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?*

Mat 27:47 And some of them that stood there, when they heard it, said, This man calleth Elijah.

Mat 27:48 And straightway one of them ran, and took a sponge, and filled it with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave him to drink.

Mat 27:49 And the rest said, Let be; let us see whether Elijah cometh to save him.

Mat 27:50 And Jesus cried again with a loud voice, and yielded up his spirit.

Mat 27:51 And behold, the veil of the temple was rent in two from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake; and the rocks were rent;

Mat 27:52 and the tombs were opened; and many bodies of the saints that had fallen asleep were raised;

Mat 27:53 and coming forth out of the tombs after his resurrection they entered into the holy city and appeared unto many.

Mat 27:54 Now the centurion, and they that were with him watching Jesus, when they saw the earthquake, and the things that were done, feared exceedingly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.

Mat 27:55 And many women were there beholding from afar, who had followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering unto him:

Mat 27:56 among whom was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

Mat 27:57 And when even was come, there came a rich man from Arimathaea,

named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple:

Mat 27:58 this man went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. Then Pilate commanded it to be given up.

Mat 27:59 And Joseph took the body, and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth,

Mat 27:60 and laid it in his own new tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock: and he rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb, and departed.

Mat 27:61 And Mary Magdalene was there, and the other Mary, sitting over against the sepulchre.

Mat 27:62 Now on the morrow, which is *the day* after the Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees were gathered together unto Pilate,

Mat 27:63 saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said while he was yet

alive, After three days I rise again.

Mat 27:64 Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest haply his disciples come and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: and the last error will be worse than the first.

Mat 27:65 Pilate said unto them, Ye have a guard: go, make it *as* sure as ye can.

Mat 27:66 So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, the guard being with them

After everything, the Jewish leaders tried their best to prevent the resurrection of our Lord and these leaders failed miserably. We see in the next scripture we are going to look at, that there was a colossal failure in their plan.

Let's look at Matthew 28: 1-15.

Mat 28:1 Now late on the sabbath day, as it began to dawn toward the first *day* of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.

Mat 28:2 And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled away the stone, and sat upon it.

Mat 28:3 His appearance was as lightning, and his raiment white as snow:

Mat 28:4 and for fear of him the watchers did quake, and became as dead men.

Mat 28:5 And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye; for I know that ye seek Jesus, who hath been crucified.

Mat 28:6 He is not here; for he is risen, even as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

Mat 28:7 And go quickly, and tell his disciples, He is risen from the dead; and lo, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you.

Mat 28:8 And they departed quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to bring his

disciples word.

Mat 28:9 And behold, Jesus met them, saying, **All hail**. And they came and took hold of his feet, and worshipped him.

Mat 28:10 Then saith Jesus unto them, **Fear not: go tell my brethren that they depart into Galilee, and there shall they see me.**

Mat 28:11 Now while they were going, behold, some of the guard came into the city, and told unto the chief priests all the things that were come to pass.

Mat 28:12 And when they were assembled with the elders, and had taken counsel, they gave much money unto the soldiers,

Mat 28:13 saying, Say ye, His disciples came by night, and stole him away while we slept.

Mat 28:14 And if this come to the governor's ears, we will persuade him, and rid you of care.

Mat 28:15 So they took the money, and did as they were taught: and this saying was spread abroad among the Jews, *and continueth* until this day.

To this day, most religions likely will teach the cover-up as fact and not lies and a cover up.

The next thing we need to ask ourselves is **Where do we go from here?**

1 Corinthians 15 and 2 Peter 3: 1-13 have the answers.

1Co 15:1 Now I make known unto you brethren, the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye received, wherein also ye stand,

1Co 15:2 by which also ye are saved, if ye hold fast the word which I preached unto you, except ye believed in vain.

1Co 15:3 For I delivered unto you first of all that which also I received: that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures;

1Co 15:4 and that he was buried; and that he hath been raised on the third day according to the scriptures;

1Co 15:5 and that he appeared to Cephas; then to

the twelve;

1Co 15:6 then he appeared to above five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain until now, but some are fallen asleep;

1Co 15:7 then he appeared to James; then to all the apostles;

1Co 15:8 and last of all, as to the *child* untimely born, he appeared to me also.

1Co 15:9 For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.

1Co 15:10 But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his grace which was bestowed upon me was not found vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me.

1Co 15:11 Whether then *it be* I or they, so we preach, and so ye believed.

1Co 15:12 Now if Christ is preached that he hath been raised from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead?

1Co 15:13 But if there is no resurrection of the dead, neither hath Christ been raised:

1Co 15:14 and if Christ hath not been raised, then is our preaching vain, your faith also is vain.

1Co 15:15 Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we witnessed of God that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead are not raised.

1Co 15:16 For if the dead are not raised, neither hath Christ been raised:

1Co 15:17 and if Christ hath not been raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins.

1Co 15:18 Then they also that are fallen asleep in Christ have perished.

1Co 15:19 If we have only hoped in Christ in this life, we are of all men most pitiable.

1Co 15:20 But now hath Christ been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of them that are asleep.

1Co 15:21 For since by man *came* death, by man *came* also the resurrection of the dead.

1Co 15:22 For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

1Co 15:23 But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; then they that are Christ's, at his coming.

1Co 15:24 Then *cometh* the end, when he shall deliver up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have abolished all rule and all authority and power.

1Co 15:25 For he must reign, till he hath put all his enemies under his feet.

1Co 15:26 The last enemy that shall be abolished is death.

1Co 15:27 For, *He put all things in subjection under his feet*. But when he saith, *All things are put in subjection*, it is evident that he is excepted who did subject all things unto him.

1Co 15:28 And when all things have been subjected unto him, then shall the Son also himself be subjected to him that did subject all things unto him, that God may be all in all.

1Co 15:29 Else what shall they do that are baptized for the dead? If the dead are not raised at all, why then are they baptized for them?

1Co 15:30 why do we also stand in jeopardy every

hour?

1Co 15:31 I protest by that glorying in you, brethren, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily.

1Co 15:32 If after the manner of men I fought with beasts at Ephesus, what doth it profit me? If the dead are not raised, *let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die.*

1Co 15:33 Be not deceived: Evil companionships corrupt good morals.

1Co 15:34 Awake to soberness righteously, and sin not; for some have no knowledge of God: I speak *this* to move you to shame.

1Co 15:35 But some one will say, How are the dead raised? and with what manner of body do they come?

1Co 15:36 Thou foolish one, that which thou thyself sowest is not quickened except it die:

1Co 15:37 and that which thou sowest, thou sowest not the body that shall be, but a bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other kind;

1Co 15:38 but God giveth it a body even as it pleased him, and to each seed a body of its own.

1Co 15:39 All flesh is not the same flesh: but there is one *flesh* of men, and another flesh of beasts, and another flesh of birds, and another of fishes.

1Co 15:40 There are also celestial bodies, and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the *glory* of the terrestrial is another.

1Co 15:41 There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for one star differeth from another star in glory.

1Co 15:42 So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption:

1Co 15:43 it is sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory: it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power:

1Co 15:44 it is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual *body*.

1Co 15:45 So also it is written, The first *man* Adam *became a living soul*. The last Adam *became a life-giving spirit*.

1Co 15:46 Howbeit that is not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; then that which is spiritual.

1Co 15:47 The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is of heaven.

1Co 15:48 As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly.

1Co 15:49 And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

1Co 15:50 Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

1Co 15:51 Behold, I tell you a mystery: We all shall not sleep, but we shall all be changed,

1Co 15:52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

1Co 15:53 For this corruptible must put on

incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

1Co 15:54 But when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written, *Death is swallowed up in victory.*

1Co 15:55 *O death, where is thy victory? O death, where is thy sting?*

1Co 15:56 The sting of death is sin; and the power of sin is the law:

1Co 15:57 but thanks be to God, who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1Co 15:58 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not vain in the Lord.

2Pe 3:1 This is now, beloved, the second epistle that I write unto you; and in both of them I stir up your sincere mind by putting you in remembrance;

2Pe 3:2 that ye should remember the words which

were spoken before by the holy prophets, and the commandment of the Lord and Saviour through your apostles:

2Pe 3:3 knowing this first, that in the last days mockers shall come with mockery, walking after their own lusts,

2Pe 3:4 and saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for, from the day that the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.

2Pe 3:5 For this they wilfully forget, that there were heavens from of old, and an earth compacted out of water and amidst water, by the word of God;

2Pe 3:6 by which means the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:

2Pe 3:7 but the heavens that now are, and the earth, by the same word have been stored up for fire, being reserved against the day of judgment and destruction of ungodly men.

2Pe 3:8 But forget not this one thing, beloved, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

2Pe 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his

promise, as some count slackness; but is longsuffering to you-ward, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

2Pe 3:10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall be dissolved with fervent heat, and the earth and the works that are therein shall be burned up.

2Pe 3:11 Seeing that these things are thus all to be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in *all* holy living and godliness,

2Pe 3:12 looking for and earnestly desiring the coming of the day of God, by reason of which the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

2Pe 3:13 But, according to his promise, we look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

Dry Bones is promised to be one dead enemy. We won't have to worry about him anymore as believers.

The last question for this lesson session is **What are we looking forward to?**

Well, this was somewhat answered already, but here is one more scripture passage that will sum everything up.

Look at Revelation 21.

Rev 21:1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth are passed away; and the sea is no more.

Rev 21:2 And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, made ready as a bride adorned for her husband.

Rev 21:3 And I heard a great voice out of the throne saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he shall dwell with them, and they shall be his peoples, and God himself shall be with them, *and be* their God:

Rev 21:4 and he shall wipe away every tear from their eyes; and death shall be no more; neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain, any more: the first things are passed away.

Rev 21:5 And he that sitteth on the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he saith, Write: for these words are faithful and true.

Rev 21:6 And he said unto me, They are come to pass. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

Rev 21:7 He that overcometh shall inherit these things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

Rev 21:8 But for the fearful, and unbelieving, and abominable, and murderers, and fornicators, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, their part shall be in the lake that burneth with fire and brimstone; which is the second death.

Rev 21:9 And there came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls, who were laden with the seven last plagues; and he spake with me, saying,

Come hither, I will show thee the bride, the wife of the Lamb.

Rev 21:10 And he carried me away in the Spirit to a mountain great and high, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,

Rev 21:11 having the glory of God: her light was like unto a stone most precious, as it were a jasper stone, clear as crystal:

Rev 21:12 having a wall great and high; having twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels; and names written thereon, which are *the names* of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel:

Rev 21:13 on the east were three gates; and on the north three gates; and on the south three gates; and on the west three gates.

Rev 21:14 And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

Rev 21:15 And he that spake with me had for a measure a golden reed to measure the city, and the gates thereof, and the wall thereof.

Rev 21:16 And the city lieth foursquare, and the

length thereof is as great as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs: the length and the breadth and the height thereof are equal.

Rev 21:17 And he measured the wall thereof, a hundred and forty and four cubits, *according to* the measure of a man, that is, of an angel.

Rev 21:18 And the building of the wall thereof was jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto pure glass.

Rev 21:19 The foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation was jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, chalcedony; the fourth, emerald;

Rev 21:20 the fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolite; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, topaz; the tenth, chrysoprase; the eleventh, jacinth; the twelfth, amethyst.

Rev 21:21 And the twelve gates were twelve pearls; each one of the several gates was of one pearl: and the street of the city was pure gold, as it were transparent glass.

Rev 21:22 And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God the Almighty, and the Lamb, are the temple thereof.

Rev 21:23 And the city hath no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine upon it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the lamp thereof is the Lamb.

Rev 21:24 And the nations shall walk amidst the light thereof: and the kings of the earth bring their glory into it.

Rev 21:25 And the gates thereof shall in no wise be shut by day (for there shall be no night there):

Rev 21:26 and they shall bring the glory and the honor of the nations into it:

Rev 21:27 and there shall in no wise enter into it anything unclean, or he that maketh an abomination and a lie: but only they that are written in the Lamb's book of life.

As I stated before, Dry Bones is beaten for believers, just like in Marioworld and Mario 3 there are ways to beat this sworn enemy. In Mario 3, you can beat him with an invincibility star (run into him

while invincible) and kill him. In Marioworld, there's another way, which is a cape. If you whack "Dry Bones" with a cape, he is one dead enemy.

In our spiritual lives, we know that Jesus is our invincibility star or the cape against this powerful enemy of life.

