

HOW DOES REVIVAL COME?

Lesson 14 – Outline

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I. Revival is when people are completely in love with God.

A. There's a freshness, a vitality, and an excitement about their relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

B. In revival, the miraculous power of God is in manifestation—people are being healed, delivered, saved, and baptized in the Holy Spirit.

C. Churches are full and growing, and folks from all walks of life are turning back to God.

D. The Lord wants us living in revival much more than we want it.

II. So much of what is currently being said concerning prayer for revival is all about us begging God to pour out this and pleading with Him to send that.

A. Most of these people assume that God is so ticked off at us that He's holding back His Holy Spirit.

B. They're begging God to turn back to the church and pleading with Him to have mercy on the human race, which is *not* a New Testament prayer.

III. There is now only one mediator—the Lord Jesus Christ.

There is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus.

1 Timothy 2:5

A. A *mediator* is someone who stands between two parties that are at odds with each other, seeking to reconcile them.

B. Moses stood as a mediator between an angry God and a sinful people (Ex. 32:12 and 14).

C. This worked under the Old Covenant because God was angry, sin had separated mankind from Him, and there was judgment to be meted out.

D. However, now that we're in the New Covenant, Jesus has become our Mediator (Heb. 7, 10:10-14; 2 Cor. 5:18-19; and John 19:30).

E. The way that much of the church has been praying and pleading with God is literally against what Jesus Christ came to do—it's anti-Christ (trying to take the place of Christ and accomplish what He's already done).

IV. We need to believe God's Word and release our authority by going out and preaching the Gospel.

A. God isn't holding back the flow of His Spirit; we are—it's the body of Christ that is clogging up the pipes and keeping God from flowing.

B. What you need to do is work on your pipe.

C. Start meditating on the Word until you can see on the inside—with the eyes of your heart—blind eyes and deaf ears opened, demons cast out, and the dead raised. Then you'll start seeing it manifest in the physical realm too.

D. God is in heaven with His arms out, trying to release His power, saying, "Is there anyone who will believe Me? Is there anyone who will stand up and start speaking, living, and demonstrating My Word?"

E. If you will do that, you'll have all the revival you can handle.

V. In the New Testament, the believers went out and preached the Word everywhere.

They went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

Mark 16:20

A. As they preached the truth, the Holy Spirit bore supernatural witness to that truth.

B. So many people repented and converted to Christ that the temple of Diana in Ephesus fell into disrepair.

C. The early New Testament believers prayed that they would be bold, faithful witnesses despite opposition.

Now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word, By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thy holy child Jesus.

Acts 4:29-30

Praying...for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel, For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

Ephesians 6:18-20

D. We need to preach the good news of salvation by faith in the Lord Jesus Christ—the Gospel is the power of God (Rom. 1:16).

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Lesson 14 – Discipleship Questions

1. According to 1 Timothy 2:5, how many mediators are there now between God and men?
2. Galatians 3:19 reveals that the Law was ordained by angels in the hand of whom?
3. How did the Lord respond when Moses prayed for Him to turn from His fierce wrath and repent of this evil against His people in Exodus 32:12 and 14?
4. According to Hebrews 10:10-14, by one offering He has perfected for how long them that are sanctified?
5. Second Corinthians 5:18-19 reveals that God has reconciled us to Himself by whom?
6. What ministry has He given to us?
7. What word has He committed to us?
8. What did Jesus say in John 19:30 right before He bowed His head and gave up the ghost?
9. In Mark 2:4, what did this sick man's friends do to get him into the crowded house where Jesus was teaching?
10. According to Acts 5:15-16, how many of the sick and demonized folks were healed?
11. Acts 16:20 says that the early believers went forth and _____ everywhere.
12. How did the Lord confirm the Word?

13. In the midst of the persecution they were experiencing, how did the early believers in Acts 4:29-30 pray to be able to speak forth the Word?

14. How did Paul ask his friends to pray for him in Ephesians 6:18-20, concerning the mystery of the Gospel?

15. According to Romans 1:16, the Gospel is the power of God to salvation to whom?

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Lesson 14 – Answer Key

1. One.
2. A mediator.
3. The Lord repented of the evil that He thought to do unto His people.
4. Forever.
5. Jesus Christ.
6. The ministry of reconciliation.
7. The word of reconciliation.
8. It is finished.
9. They uncovered the roof and let him down in his bed.
10. Every one.
11. Preached.
12. With signs following.
13. With all boldness.
14. That utterance may be given to him to open his mouth and speak boldly.
15. Everyone who believes.