

Prayers for Personal Revival, Pt. 2
Petitions for Thursday, March 11 through Wednesday, March 17, 2021

Introduction: Let us continue to pray for personal revival, and let us pray for others to be revived after we have been revived (Psalm 51:10-13).

- I. Verses for Meditation and Memorization in Relation to Personal Revival:
2 Chronicles 7:13-14; 1 Chronicles 16:11; Psalm 63:1; Proverbs 8:17; Jeremiah 29:13; James 4:6.**

- II. The Differences between Revival and Quickening:**
 - A. Dictionary definitions of revival:**
 - 1. “Revival” is defined as “The act of reviving, restoring or restoration of something.”**
 - 2. “Revive” means “To bring back to life or consciousness – resuscitation.”**

 - B. Revival involves God’s people: “If my people...” (2 Chronicles 7:14).**
 - 1. Revival is a returning to God.**
 - a. You cannot return to where you’ve never been.**
 - b. One cannot be resuscitated unless one was first alive.**
 - c. Throughout the book of Jeremiah, there is a plea for the Southern Kingdom of Israel to return to God (Jeremiah 3:12-25; 4:1; 5:3; 18:11; 35:15; 36:3).**
 - d. In Amos 4:6-11, there is a refrain that occurs five times: “Yet you have not returned to Me.”**
 - 1) God was giving His final warning to the Northern Kingdom of Israel.**
 - 2) The people did not return to God; therefore, they were taken into captivity by the Assyrians (Isaiah 10).**
 - 3) The Southern Kingdom of Israel did not return to God, and therefore they were taken into captivity by the Babylonians for 70 years (Jeremiah 25:10-12; Daniel 1:1-2).**

 - C. Quickening involves lost people – people who are not saved.**
 - 1. “Quicken” means to be made alive spiritually (Ephesians 2:1, 5; Colossians 2:13).**
 - 2. Lost people have to first be quickened before they can be revived.**
 - 3. Technically what happened in Nineveh was not a revival but a quickening because the Ninevites did not have a relationship with God prior to the preaching of Jonah (Jonah 3:1-10): The Ninevites were quickened and not revived.**

 - D. We are to edify believers and evangelize nonbelievers (Romans 14:19; 1 Thessalonians 5:11; Hebrews 3:13; 10:25; Mark 16:15).**
 - 1. Lost people are dead in trespasses and in sins, and they need to be quicken (Ephesians 2:1, 5; Colossians 2:13).**

- III. Requirements for Revival:**
 - A. Salvation – only saved people can be revived – “My people” (2 Chronicles 7:14a; Ephesians 2:1, 5; Colossians 2:13; cf. Psalm 51:10-12).**

- B. Humility is second on God’s list of requirements for revival – “humble themselves” (2 Chronicles 7:14b; cf. James 4:6; Isaiah 14:12-15; Proverbs 6:16-19; 16:18; Jeremiah 13:9, 17; 49:16; Hosea 5:5; 7:10).
 - C. Prayer and sometimes fasting – “pray” (2 Chronicles 7:14c; 1 Samuel 7:5-8).
 - D. Seek God’s manifest presence – “seek My face” (2 Chronicles 7:14d).
 - 1. “Panem” is a Hebrew word that is translated both “face” and “presence” meaning the manifest presence of God.
 - a. “Panem” is translated “face” in 2 Chronicles 7:14; 1 Chronicles 16:11; Numbers 6:25; Psalm 27:8-9; Isaiah 59:1-2.
 - b. “Panem” is translated “presence” in Exodus 33:14-15; Psalm 16:11.
 - 2. Seek God’s manifest presence
 - a. We cannot escape the presence of the Triune God (Psalm 139:7-12; Jeremiah 23:24; Proverbs 15:3; Hebrews 4:13).
 - b. We cannot get away from the indwelling presence of the Triune God (Ephesians 4:6; Colossians 1:27; Galatians 2:20; 1 John 3:24; 2 Timothy 1:14; 1 Corinthians 6:19-20; Romans 8:9).
- IV. Repentance – “Turn from their wicked ways” (2 Chronicles 7:14e).
- A. “Repentance” is a change of mind that results in a change in behavior.
 - B. Review prayers for personal revival part one and observe some of the sins of God’s saints.
 - C. Remember God takes all sins seriously.
 - D. The Assyrian and Babylonian captivities could have been avoided if God’s people had recognized their sins, repented of their sins, and returned to God.
- V. Results of Revival:
- A. Confessing and forsaking of sins (Proverbs 28:13; Ezra 9:5-15; Nehemiah 9:1-3; Psalm 32:1-7; 51:1-19;
 - B. Returning to God and a putting away of idols (Genesis 35:2-3; 1 Samuel 7:3-4; 2 Chronicles 14:3-5).
 - C. Filling of the Holy Spirit (Acts 4:31; cf. Ephesians 5:18).
 - D. Walking in the Spirit rather than in the flesh (Galatians 5:16).
 - E. Increase in time spent in prayer (1 Thessalonians 5:17); praise (Psalm 113:3; Acts 2:46-47); pondering the Word of God (Joshua 1:8; Psalm 1:1-3); proclamation of the Word of God (Acts 4:31).
 - F. Restoration of fractured and broken relationships (Matthew 5:23-24; 18:15-20).
 - G. Delighting in the Lord and in the Word of the Lord (Psalm 1:1-3; 37:4).

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