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REVIVAL (PART 1)

Psalms 85:6 (KJV) Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may rejoice in thee?

Revival can be best defined by these three words, renewal, reactivation and restoration. During a revival, all these three happen to an individual. Therefore, when we are speaking of a time of revival, we are basically speaking of a time when people are going to be...

1. Renewed

To be renewed means to be freshened, to be reinvigorated. It means to be brought back to one's original state of functionality. So, during a revival, people are made to be exactly what they were when they first came to serve God. In actual fact you are left feeling very new and very perfect.

That joy you had when you first heard about Jesus and the love you had for serving him before you were hurt by people, the same joy you had before people gossiped about you and discouraged you....all that joy will be renewed during a revival... All your body parts will receive a renewal too, those painful body parts will be healed.

2. Reactivated

Some have suddenly gone cold in their faith. Some have abandoned their dreams in life. Some have become idle with no motivation of doing anything in this life or to serve God. When revival comes upon such individuals, there will be a reactivation in their lives, they will be made active again by the power of the Holy Spirit. Those who were standing will walk, those who were walking will run and those who were running will sprint, that is what happens when there is a reactivation.

Revival will not leave you were you were before; revival will give you new strength in your spirit to take you higher.

3. Restored

During a revival, people will be restored of anything that they lost in life. In fact, as I am writing right now, I am hearing the word RECOVER. A time of restoration is a time of recovery. Individuals will be restored to their first love in God, will be restored of the time they lost and will be restored of the missed opportunities in life and even things that they used to have.

When a revival comes to a place, it leaves people in that place in a state of recovery. If those whose health has been struggling will recover it, even those whose businesses are closed will recover them back...whatever valuable thing you lost in life, when revival comes, you definitely recover it.

Tomorrow we will discuss about how you can tell that revival is about to happen to me...Or simply triggers of revival. Hallelujah!!

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REVIVAL (PART 2)

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Revivals do not happen on their own, they are caused. They have a price tag. Someone has to pay. Revival is a consequence of humanity's deep desire for divinity. For revival to happen, it must be triggered by the behavior of an individual or people.

Triggers of Revival

1. An uncommon desire to pray.

When prayer becomes something that is not forced on you but something you naturally want to do and participate in, you will begin to enjoy longer times in prayer without being conscious of time. You will see yourself loving to spend more time in prayer than before. Sometimes you should force yourself to love prayer, or train your body and soul to love prayer.

David was a man who was able to trigger revivals through prayer, as we can see in his psalm... **Psalms 55:17 (KJV)**" Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud: and he shall hear my voice."

Did you see that David would pray in the evening, morning and noon? Three times a day is the minimum prayer time that a person looking for a revival should pray. Forget about a revival if you are not a prayerful person.

Most families and churches require revivals but no one amongst them is willing to pay the price for it. Every revival has a price tag and one such is PRAYER. You cannot bring revival by those sadza prayers that you pray.... Never! There must be a prayer program that is consistent and constant for something to happen in one's life.

There is something that is called FERVENCY in prayer. A fervent person is one who prays passionately, sincerely, enthusiastically and continuously, such person cannot be denied anything

he/she wants. Such praying is a price for anything you need. Paul wrote to the Thessalonians and told them to pray without ceasing. **1 Thessalonians 5:17 (KJV)** Pray without ceasing.

To the Romans Paul wrote to them and advised them to continue in prayer.

Romans 12:12 (KJV) Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;"
There is something that happens when believers continue in prayer.

The Prophet Isaiah says that when we pray, we should not go silent, we should not give God rest until he establishes us.

Isaiah 62:6-7 (KJV) I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace day nor night: ye that make mention of the LORD, keep not silence, And give him no rest, till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth"

This scripture above should send you right into prayer. Do not be silent, pray. Why have you stopped your prayers? Keep on bringing them before the Lord until he establishes you. Sometimes his silence is to test your resolve, it is to see how much you need it because God wants desperate people not casual ones....

2. An uncommon zeal for the work of God. Psalms 69:9 (KJV).... TO BE DISCUSSED TOMORROW

Hallelujah!!

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REVIVAL (PART 3)

Psalms 85:6 (KJV) Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may rejoice in thee?

Triggers of a revival are the same as the signs of a revival. When you see these things happening in a church or an individual, then you know that revival is about to take place. Yesterday we discussed one, let us see how many we can discuss today.

2. An uncommon zeal for the work of God.

Psalms 69:9 (KJV) "For the zeal of thine house hath eaten me up; and the reproaches of them that reproached thee are fallen upon me."

We cannot cause a revival without a burning desire for God's work (zeal). When you see people burning inside them for the work of God, then know that revival is brewing and they are ripe for a move of God.

Revival does not come when people are cold, flat and casual, it comes when serving God is made a top priority. When Sunday services ceases to be normal days, when days of serving God are not just normal to someone. Remember on the **Communion Service of 2 May 2021** (sermon available on our **Facebook page Come_And_See**) we said there are days that should not be normal to you as a believer. Sunday morning should not be normal to you in the sense that you do not wake up the time you want and do the things you want...No! That day is not your day, it is the Lord's day. You have to wake up fired up only to serve God. Nothing should be more important on that day except going to serve God.

Eating is not important, business is not important, visitors are not important, what is important is God. I do not normally eat anything on Sunday because eating distracts me, I only wake up and pray in tongues, bath, dress up the best I can and leave to a place of serving God. That is what we call zeal. The zeal of God's work should consume you totally, I do not want to work with people without zeal. Sometimes the reason you feel lazy and sleep at church is because of food, avoid eating before services.

In our church, service days should not be normal to anyone, be it a cell group meeting, mid-week service, Sunday service, Communion services and Conferences. These days should be approached differently. Your heart should be in the house of God. Your community of friends should be trained to know that on these days you are not available for anything except serving God.... How do you sleep until you finish all your sleep on such a day? Is this not the day where everything else should not matter except the Master?

David said in **Psalms 122:9 (KJV)** "Because of the house of the LORD our God I will seek thy good."

3. An uncommon desire to give and share.

When God is about to do something special in your life, you find yourself just wanting to give or being presented with an opportunity to give. Stinginess, selfishness, self-centeredness are clear signs that the rain of revival is still far from you. Giving is both a trigger and a sign of a revival in your life.

If God wants to bless you, he will set you up to give, he will make available opportunities for you to give, you have to be careful and discerning. Look at the widow of Zarephath in **1 Kings 17:7-16**, God wanted to bless her but had to send someone else to eat her food first.... you must know that every opportunity to give is a set up for God to bless you.

When you see an opportunity to be generous, an opportunity to give and an opportunity to share something with someone, be careful, that may be an opportunity for God to bless you. What giving and sharing does is it opens your heart to receive from God. When you give, your receiving doors open and then access is granted to you. Without giving, even when God is to bless you, your door will be closed. Giving only opens it.

Let me leave you with this. Have you ever wondered why someone would look for people to bless from faraway places while you are there and you ask yourself "Is he not seeing me and the need that I have?" It simply means your door is closed!

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