

Review:

Pillar Number One: A sense of Spiritual barrenness.

Revival praying begins when some of God’s people feel the lack of His working in our day.

First: Saturate yourself in the Bible so much that when you hear of the worldliness of the modern church, you are appalled.

Second: Read church history and read some of the great men of God from the past.

Third: Study the revivals of the past. Get a understanding of how God moved then as a clue of how He desires to work today.

Pillar Number Two: An act of surrender.

Revival praying lays hold of God as He has revealed Himself.

- A. God is the holy and glorious God who dwells in heaven.
- B. God is the mighty God who acts with awesome power.
- C. God is the sovereign God who judges sin.
- D. God is the gracious, compassionate Father who will restore us to Himself.

Pillar Number Three: A broken and contrite heart.

Revival praying openly confesses sin and vindicates God’s righteous judgments.

Pillar Number Four: A proper motivation.

Revival praying is motivated by God’s glory.

Isaiah 64:2b (NASB) “To make Your name known to Your adversaries, that the nations may tremble at Your presence!”

Pillar Number Five: Laying Hold of God’s GRACE.

John 1:17 (NASB) “For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ.”

Revival praying understands and lays hold of this amazing grace.

Isaiah 64:4-5 (NASB) “For from days of old they have not heard or perceived by ear, nor has the eye seen a God besides You, who acts in behalf of the one who waits for Him. You meet him who rejoices in doing righteousness, who remembers You in Your ways.”

1. God’s grace is INCOMPREHENSIBLE.

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1 Corinthians 2:9 (NASB) ““Things which eye has not seen and ear has not heard, and which have not entered the heart of man, all that God has prepared for those who love Him.”



“Oh Lord, Come Down” Revival Praying pt. 4

Hebrews 11:6 (NASB) “Without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.”



2. God acts when we **TRUST**.

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2 Chronicles 16:9 (KJV) “For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him.”

Isaiah 40:28-31 (NASB) “Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth does not become weary or tired. His understanding is inscrutable. He gives strength to the weary, and to him who lacks might He increases power. Though youths grow weary and tired, and vigorous young men stumble badly, yet those who wait for the LORD will gain new strength; They will mount up with wings like eagles, they will run and not get tired, they will walk and not become weary.”

3. God **ANSWERS** when we surrender.

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Romans 6:1-2 (NASB) “What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin so that grace may increase? May it never be! How shall we who died to sin still live in it?”

1 John 2:1-2 (NASB) “My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and He Himself is the propitiation for our sins; and not for ours only, but also for those of the whole world.”

Application:

Where is the proper balance between focusing on God’s love and grace and focusing on His holiness and wrath against sin?

How can a person know that God has truly saved him?

What are the marks of genuine revival?

How can you set forth God’s grace without promoting license?

Where are you in your relationship with God?

Is there a need for genuine revival to come to your heart?

What has the Holy Spirit spoken to your heart through His Word?

What act of surrender is God calling you to make?

What adjustment will you make to obey what God has shown you?

Memory verse: Isaiah 64:1-2 (NASB) “Oh, that You would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at Your presence—as the fire kindles the brush-wood, as fire causes water to boil—to make Your name known to Your adversaries, that the nations may tremble at Your presence!”