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*"Those who **hunger** for him will always be filled,
but the smug and self-satisfied
he will send away empty."*

Luke 1:53 (TPT)



*"For I will pour water on him who is **thirsty**,
And floods on the dry ground;
I will pour My Spirit on your descendants,
And My blessing on your offspring"*

Isaiah 44:3

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LET IT BE UNTO ME

*"Do not be afraid, Mary, for **you have found favor with God**. And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name Jesus. He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David. And **He will reign** over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end." ...Then Mary said, "Behold the maidservant of the Lord! **Let it be unto me** according to your word." Luke 1:30-38*

Revival begins when we willingly humbly ourselves and declare, just as Mary declared to the Angel of the Lord, day, **"Let It Be Unto Me!"** Mary sets the example. She displayed a **willingness** and incredible **humility** to be used by God and because of that she was chosen to carry Christ Jesus into this world. Notice Mary didn't say, "let it be unto someone else, I'm real busy and it's just not a good time." Sadly, this is the reaction of some believers when the fires of conviction reach out and touch their heart. Excuses abound and distractions are plentiful when we self-justify why we don't need to repent or hunger for more.

Spiritual hunger is not how high you jump, how great you are with flags during worship or even how deeply you cry or loudly you shout. It's not found in your outward appearance at all. Instead, it's found in your brokenness when you look up and say - **"Yes Lord, it's me who is in need of your touch."** Revival always begins with you! Spiritual hunger erupts when we humble ourselves and inwardly evaluate our motives, attitudes and actions.

We challenge you to pursue a tender heart like Mary and pray, "Lord, let it be unto me today."



PRIDE OR HUMILITY

*It was pride that changed angels into devils;
and it's humility that makes men as angels.*

- St. Augustine

Journal some areas of your life that you've become prideful or "self-sufficient" and not needing God's power and presence?

Self-righteous mindset is as kryptonite to the believer.

-Tom Scarrella

Pride goes before destruction, And a haughty spirit before a fall. - Proverbs 16:18

A man's pride will bring him low, But the humble in spirit will retain honor. - Proverbs 29:23



REVIVAL OR RELIGION

A humble believer can easily evaluate the fruit of his life and determine its value.

A humble believer can easily decide to make the necessary changes in order to bear strong Biblical fruit. But, for a religious person it is easier to stick his fingers in his ears to block out the sound of conviction and correction. The religious man is a fig tree that bears no fruit. (see Matthew 3; Luke 13)

The first time we ministered in South Africa in 2006 the pastor tossed me his keys and offered the use of his car for the week. I'm used to driving America-style with the steering column, gearshifts, and blinkers positioned on the left side of the car and the wheels on the right side of the road. In South Africa it's completely opposite. Behind the wheel for the first time, my heart began to beat a little harder, and Susie had to help me through the process of unlearning my American style driving.

Religious people are the same way. They are stuck spiritually, driving on the wrong side of the road, causing accidents left and right. But the humble man is positioned properly, driving on the correct side of the road, avoiding the religious drivers who are set on owning the road. Religion does things with a wrong mindset and motives, and it is going the wrong way! Religion may be moving, just not in the right direction.

The world has little trouble with the church; religion is what battles against the presence of God. Because some people may get offended, religion fights for shorter services. Because some may get offended, religion keeps the Holy Spirit out of the meetings. Jesus preached to the lost and he rarely found trouble with any of them; His battle was always with the religious. Eventually, disagreeing with Jesus wasn't enough; they had to crucify Him. Religion in Christianity is the same today. **When confronted with grace and the outpouring of revival, it is not enough to disagree; it shouts, "Crucify."**

“And now for a little while grace has been shown from the LORD our God, to leave us a remnant to escape, and to give us a peg in His holy place, that our God may enlighten our eyes and give us a **measure of revival in our bondage.**” – Ezra 9:8

Years ago we visited the lion exhibit while at a trip to the zoo with our family, I remember being struck with the awareness that while these majestic beasts appeared viciously ferocious and the placard sign declared them to be the **"King of the Jungle,"** here in their pen they had been demoted to trapped kittens in a cage awaiting their next feeding of kitty-chow.

So many believers carry the titles, **"more than a conqueror"** and **"above only and not beneath"** and just like the zoo lions they live caged up behind the bars of religion, apathy, self-satisfaction or secret sin. Their hearts say that they are Kings and Priests unto God, but their mind and soul are broken in bondage. They cannot truly live free - not until they escape their chains of religious slavery - until their hunger and thirst for freedom is louder than their comfort and complacency.

Some sin because they want to sin - they like how it feels albeit a temporary enjoyment. Some sin because they're bound to it from habits, secret lusts or vices. Still others sin because it's all they've ever known, usually they've been exposed to it from infancy on up through adulthood by their parents or others who were also bound.

"To stand in front of a Sherman Tank and just say 'NO' is tantamount to asking a broken, bound generation to stand before addictions and just 'say no'."

- David Wilkerson

Regardless of why, we all must want Jesus to touch and set us free of that which binds our mind and our flesh. God is willing to set us free, but are we willing to press into His presence and allow His holy fire to burn up every trace of sin and bondage?



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WHAT IS IT?



*"Then the Lord said to Moses, "Behold, I will rain **bread** from heaven for you. And the people shall go out and gather a **certain quota every day...**" Exodus 16:4a*

*"And when the layer of dew lifted, there, on the surface of the wilderness, was a small round substance, as fine as frost on the ground. So when the children of Israel saw it, they said to one another, "**What is it?**" For they did not know what it was."*

Exodus 16:14-15

Dullness, boredom and spiritual apathy rule many believers and churches in America. It's as if the fresh manna available to them gives them a belly ache. They've developed an **appetite** for the flesh, comfort and worldliness and there is no **passion** or **desire** left for the presence and power of God. The "*preservatives*" of the carnal have so enthralled the church that they have little emotion and energy left for God.

It's easy to say, "**we want revival**" and yet when revival meetings are being held, I'll ask, "are you coming to the meeting tonight?" Their response often shocking. They say, "Yes, *Lord willing*." Answer honestly, is it ever the Lord's will that you NOT join His presence in revival meetings? But offer a free dinner or some form of entertainment from the pulpit and the same halfhearted Christians will be first to arrive. They have **no spiritual appetite**.

Scripture is clear that the Lord will never tempt His children. He will not test and snare us out of our birthright, but do not be mistaken, **He will try us**. He tries us in the fire that we may be made pure.

"If you have to serve chicken dinners, ice cream socials and tea parties to get people to come to the house of God, then you're deader than the chicken, colder than the ice cream, and weaker than the tea."

– Jack Coe Sr.

"...and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is my people: and they shall say, The LORD is my God."

HUNGER HUMBLES

When a believer is hungry for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, it brings humility within him, and a desire to be taught by the Spirit of God. Hungry people do not want to fight over the color of the carpet in the sanctuary, the choir's robes, or where to spend the money someone willed to the church.

Hungry people just want God's presence. They don't want to talk about the devil and what he's doing, but they want to talk about God and what He's doing. They don't want to spend their prayer time yelling at satan, but they want to spend that time with the One that they love, the Lord Jesus Christ.

Hunger is what sets the bar for your spirituality. Your hunger is like the sights of a gun that has an aim. The sight sets the point of the direction of the bullet. At the end of our revival meetings, it is common for me to walk back into the sanctuary and see the saints that are still on the floor; some with tears in their eyes, and some crying out to God with all their heart. *These* are the spiritual ones.

Nothing touches my heart like hunger in God's people. I just love to look at the faces as their hearts are engaged with the power of God and the Holy Spirit is searching the deep things of their spirit. I know that change is happening in their minds and hearts. They are connecting spirit to Spirit and mind to mind with Holy Spirit of God.

God does not lie. He fills the hungry with good things, and it is the goodness of God that gently leads us to the place of repentance where we grow in His ways. He is no respecter of persons. What He has done in the lives of others, He will do for you when you set your hungry heart to seek Him.





THE CURRENT SICKNESS

Worldwide, the church of Jesus Christ is plagued with sickness. She does not know that she needs to be hungry. Very few church leaders care enough about the people or the Holy Spirit to teach about the need for spiritual hunger and thirst. For the sake of not causing offense many pastors and church leaders avoid teaching/preaching hunger while continuing on with the regular church programs, pageants, and church picnics. For some time now, the church of Jesus Christ looks and functions more like a social club than a red-hot burning, power-filled fortress to the world.

Revival is birthed out of spiritual hunger. When someone does not recognize the symptoms of a sickness and they are unfamiliar with the effects of the sickness, they go on believing they are healthy and whole, when, in reality, they are in trouble!

"Then the men of the city said to Elisha, "Please notice, the situation of this city is pleasant, as my lord sees; but the water is bad, and the ground barren." And he said, "Bring me a new bowl, and put salt in it." So they brought it to him. Then he went out to the source of the water, and cast in the salt there, and said, "Thus says the Lord: 'I have healed this water; from it there shall be no more death or barrenness.' "So the water remains healed to this day, according to the word of Elisha which he spoke" II Kings 2:19-22

Notice the words, "...but the water is bad, and the ground barren....put salt in it." There had to be some urgency, some immediate need with Elisha to do something about a polluted spring of water. The Bible doesn't say Elisha waited awhile before he acted. No, right then and there, he put salt in a new bowl and cast it into the water so that the waters could be healed.

Today, many major Christian church leaders do not know that their water of the church is bad. They do not recognize the symptoms or the sickness causing the symptoms. There are major denominations that neglect and even deny the gift of speaking in tongues. Some avoid the subject of casting out devils. On global television some Christian leaders are afraid to say that Jesus Christ is the ONLY way. They aren't aware of their own sickness.



STIR YOURSELF UP

STEP ONE:

Forget about obligations, deadlines, demands. Pull yourself apart from the busyness and set your mind and thoughts on His voice.

STEP TWO:

Open your heart and be vulnerable. Let God minister to you from the worship, into the preaching and through the ministry time.

STEP THREE:

Free yourself from the fear of what others are thinking. Stop worrying about how others respond to God's power. Instead decide in that moment to let go of all unforgiveness, anger, depression, excuses and even those sin habits no one knows you struggle with. Resolve that you will let every heavy burden go into the river of God's goodness the moment you prayed for.

STEP FOUR:

Don't quit until the work is finished. Continue receiving prayer ministry every time it's available. Like the layers of an onion let the Holy Spirit peel layer after layer away from you.

Many believers in the church are so dead by degrees inside that they aren't even looking for **revival**, they're looking for **survival**! They've lost touch with any real emotions towards God or mankind.

"In order to take the first step toward intimacy with God, you need to decide to stop protecting yourself... let go of controlling your own emotions and begin to feel comfortable in His presence."

(Melinda Fish - Keep Coming Holy Spirit, page 54)

Vulnerability is one of the most important ingredients and essential elements of spiritual hunger. Because being vulnerable openly exposes your deep need for His touch and it causes you to drop all barriers and the concerns of the opinions of others. Vulnerability before God is a level of desperation and when you reach that level then **nothing else matters except His presence**.

After a difficult and traumatic experience many years ago for about a 4-months period I struggled daily with feelings of anger, depression, sadness and even thoughts of suicide. In my desperation I told God that I was going to travel across country to visit a particular church that had been experiencing revival. I told Him that no matter who prayed for me when I got there that I was going to once and for all let go of all the anger, hurt, questions and pain I'd bottled up inside. That night when they prayed for me I didn't care what it looked like to others. I screamed and cried for hours as God was ripping out the pain inside my heart. As I lay on His surgeons table of the carpet that night I wept and then I laughed as the Spirit did a very deep work that saved me once again and truly set me free.

Worry over how others may judge keeps believers bound in the shackles of mediocrity. We think to ourselves, "what will people think of me if I act a certain way in God's presence." We call this, *What Will People Think Syndrome*. The truth is that most people around you are either plagued with the same syndrome, not thinking of much at all, or they are distracted by other things like what time the service will end or what's happening on Social Media that they are missing. Living with *What Will People Think Syndrome* will keep you from revival. So, FEAR NOT and open your heart and lay it bare before Jesus so that He can do a deep work within you, no matter what emotions may erupt and how you will look to others.



LET THE RIVER GET IN YOU

Revival demands change. **God's goal is change** and that change comes through humbling ourselves before God so that He can first empty us of all the things that are unlike Him and in turn fill us up with His presence, so that in time He can lift us up.

John G. Lake, a great revivalist in the early 1900s, told of a time he was ministering in a remote South African village. As he arrived to the village he was told two people drowned and had been dead for hours - a mother and her daughter. The daughter was swimming near the riverbank when she began to drown. The mother screamed for help, but no one could reach her daughter, so the mother jumped in to save her daughter, but the river overcame both and they perished.

People gathered all around and wept as the bodies were retrieved from the river. Lake approached the horrific scene and walked directly into the midst of chaos and weeping. He bent over the bodies that had been dead for hours and spoke to them words of life.

Within seconds both the mother and daughter came back to life - raised from the dead. Lake then turned to the crowd and said, "The difference between this mother and daughter and the rest of you is simple, you all were in the river, but they were the only ones to allow the river to get into them!"

"For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart." Hebrews 4:12 NKJV

Jump in and let the river of God overtake every part of your body and soul. His word is a piercing sword and discerner of thoughts and intents of the heart. Allow the knife of God's power to transform you into the very image of Christ and revive you back to new life. It's by His reviving fire and power that attitudes, sin and habits can be burned out.



RECEIVE

Use this section to be vulnerable and transparently honest.
Journal about what causes apprehension in you to fully let go in
the presence of God.

List some ideas of what you can do to help stir up a greater
spiritual hunger to live a revival lifestyle.





THE LITTLE LAWYER

*"So I said: **"Woe is me,** for I am undone! Because **I am a man of unclean lips,** and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts." Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal which he had taken with the tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth with it, and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; **your iniquity is taken away,** and your sin purged." Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: "Whom shall I send, And who will go for Us?" then I said, "Here am I! Send me." Isaiah 6:5-8*

I always say that most people have a little lawyer in their mind that constantly pleads their innocence. Their little lawyer is always full of excuses, reasons and rationalities. You know you live with a little lawyer if in your mind you are quick to plead your case with something that sounds like, "I'm not so bad" or "I'm not as bad as so and so." Never will you hear that little lawyer admit to **GUILT** because self-justification is his never-ending game.

It's easy to sit in a church pew, shouting "Amen, preach it!" or dancing a little jig while continually giving in to the same sinful habits and ungodly actions that have made us nothing more than **the hypocrite**. How many Sunday morning sermons have we listened to with our little lawyer whispering, "Don't be convicted, he's preaching about someone else."

True spiritual hunger begins at the point where we stop making excuses for our bad behavior and attitudes. When we fire the little lawyer in our head and begin to take responsibility and own up to our sin and weaknesses. It's as refreshing as the waters of baptism or a cup of cold water on a warm day. We then fall on His grace and mercy and truly find forgiveness and lasting freedom.

DEVELOP SPIRITUAL APPETITES

Your Thoughts

What you allow your thoughts to be focused on throughout the day is what will be stirred up in your spirit - good or bad. Where you **point your thoughts** is where you end up!

"...whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable - if anything is excellent or praiseworthy - think about such things." Philippians 4:8 NIV



Your Relationships

Who you decide to surround yourself in close relationship reveals who you *really* are both in public and especially behind closed doors.

"He who walks with wise men will be wise, but the companion of fools will be destroyed." Proverbs 13:20



Your Daily Devotional Habits

Do you have a time set daily for prayer, worship, meditation and bible reading? Practicing His presence daily will cultivate revival in your life.

"Even the strong and the wealthy grow weak and hungry, but those who passionately pursue the Lord will never lack any good thing." Psalm 34:10 TPT



Such as I Have Give I Thee

Giving comes from a place of overflow. It is the heart of a true Christ believer to be a giver to those in need or hurting? You must see yourself as the answer to those who are broken.

"It is more blessed to give than to receive." Jesus Christ



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TANGIBLE POWER

"There are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are differences of ministries, but the same Lord. And there are diversities of activities, but it is the same God who works all in all. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all." 1 Corinthians 12:4-7

Some Christian believers want the power and presence of God to touch their life as long as they can stay in control of their surrounding and their emotions. With God, this is impossible. Manifestation of God's power and presence are given so that we are able to lose our grip with this world and connect to the heavenly realm.

1 Corinthians chapter 12 tells us, *"the manifestation of the Spirit is given ..."* The Holy Spirit **gives us** these manifestations. They are often times, signs and wonders, given to the church, in order to provoke the church toward new revelations and experiences in God.

1 Corinthians 12 also tells us, *"the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all."* When God touches us He's not limited to your reception of His power - He sees beyond your power experience. It's easy to become self-centered and ask God for the power manifestations in order to be blessed ourselves. Yes, God wants to bless us individually, but He also wants to bless all those around us. He gives these manifestations as a blessing AND He gives these manifestations to bless, stir-up and change others, that they might also believe.

" The church for too long has followed Casper, the friendly ghost instead of seeking the fire of the Holy Spirit. We have turned limp at the thought of our own cross; we faint when we think of suffering or sacrifice. Beloved, it is time to embrace the fire of God's Presence. It is the fire that purifies our sacrifice.."

- Francis Frangipane



COME HOLY SPIRIT

There are many different ways that the Holy Spirit manifests Himself in us, on us, to us, and through us. We can study the Scriptures and read church history to learn of many wonderful effects of the manifestations of the Spirit.

Sometimes, the manifestation of the Spirit is given to an individual to be a prophetic sign to them and to those around them. Another way of understanding the manifestation of the Spirit is to recognize that **our natural body cannot contain all of God's power** flowing through it, and because of that, our body has a reaction. Manifestations can be described as, a supernatural God invading natural man's body.

Electricity is a great example. Imagine, natural electricity invading your body. The intense current of that energy would cause your natural body to react. As a result, you may shake, fall to the ground, and so on. The same is true, that when the God who created electricity, touches you with His power, then your body cannot help but react to that power.

Some of the most common Biblical and historical (church history) occurrences of manifestations of the Spirit include, shaking, weeping, laughing, tongues, trances and visions, falling to the ground, rolling, jerking, and translations in the spirit.

Perhaps you have never personally experienced any of these manifestations, but your lack of experience with them does not negate the reality and truth of them. These are manifestations that we should hunger to experience, and welcome when they come. There is nothing to fear from these strange manifestations, after all, they've been given to us by our loving heavenly Father, who gives us every good and perfect gift from above.

MANIFESTATIONS OF HIS GLORY

"This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him"
John 2:11

Since the Charismatic Renewal of the mid-1960s, the Charismatic church is very well aware of people falling under the power or going into spiritual "dormition." Fifty years of witnessing this phenomenon, to us, is no longer alarming. If you ever attend a Scarrella Ministries meeting it is normal to see such a manifestation of the Spirit, especially during times of prayer ministry. Walk into almost any one of our meetings and you'll see people weeping, laughing, rocking, or laying on the floor under the influence of the Holy Spirit. The same common manifestations can be seen in many mainstream Pentecostal churches.

In the 1990s, ministries and ministers like Dr. Rodney Howard-Browne and The Toronto Blessing were known for strange manifestations of laughter and joy in church services. These specific manifestations of the Spirit have been seen periodically throughout church history.

Another example is John Wesley's wife was known to have laughed uncontrollably in the Spirit many times. In the Great Awakening of the 1700s in America, and during the Azusa Street revival in 1906, it is recorded that holy laughter was a usual happening among believers and seekers of the Holy Spirit, just like today. *As we yield to the Holy Spirit in manifestations, we will see them increase more and more.*





MANIFEST GOD'S PRESENCE

HOLY SPIRIT MANIFESTATIONS come in many forms. These expressions are holy and right in their purest forms. Share below your experience with these manifestations.

SPEAKING IN TONGUES comes from a place of yielding your mind and understanding and allowing the supernatural to take place though you; praying the perfect prayer. Share your experience.

REPENTANCE is often a place of vulnerability to the Spirit that brings a person to the point of decision. Share your experience.

HOLY LAUGHTER is an expression of supernatural joy, bringing strength and freedom. Share your experience.

BROKENNESS is displayed when the Spirit brings conviction or exposes Truth in a situation. What is hidden so deep is laid bare before God. Share your experience.

YOU CHOOSE _____

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METAMORPHOSE

TO CHANGE THE VERY FORM OR
NATURE OF A THING



*"As obedient children, do not **conform** to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance." 1 Peter 1:14 NIV*

*"Do not **conform** to the pattern of this world, but be **transformed** by the renewing of your mind."
Romans 12:2 NIV*

The true revival life is not just exciting services with louder music and an overflow of signs and wonders and healings; although these things will certainly follow believers according to Mark 16. The revival life is actually the unmatched supernatural power of the Holy Spirit living inside of us, changing us, more and more, into the image of Jesus and empowering us to go into all the earth and fulfill the great commission.

Instead of continuing to conform to traditional religious Christianity, the Holy Spirit wants to change us into children who bear the image of the Father - to SET US ON FIRE - with a fierce passion like His. The early apostles referred to this as transformation. The Greek word they used is the English word, "metamorphose".

This is what happens when a caterpillar becomes a butterfly. It isn't a minor exterior change, it's a full transformation. Its purpose has changed, its future has changed, it's outlook and abilities have changed.

*"My dear children! Once again, just like a mother in childbirth, I feel the same kind of pain for you **until Christ's nature is formed in you..**"
Galatians 4:19 GNT*

*"But **grow** in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ."
2 Peter 3:18 NIV*



SET THE CAPTIVE FREE

“And a servant of the Lord must not quarrel but be gentle to all, able to teach, patient, in humility correcting those who are in opposition, if God perhaps will grant them repentance, so that they may know the truth, and that they may come to their senses and **escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will.**” 2 Timothy. 2:24-26

Religion perpetuates the idea that all sinners are happy to do so - that they enjoy sinning and living outside the confines of relationship with God. For example, religious Christians may see the homosexual or the drug user and instantly think that they in some way **signed up** for that lifestyle and therefore it is 100% their fault. In all our years of ministry and Christian living we have encountered very few people who would fit that mold. In fact, the opposite is true. We have found that most captives that have been taken by the enemy are ensnared in sin habits that to them seem unescapable. And many captives have themselves been sinned against and those perpetrations have thrust them into a mode of survival instead of revival.

As we are freed by God's mercy and grace we are to be the FREEDOM FIGHTERS for those still in captivity. God's goodness and grace has the power to set every captive free, whether a sinful lifestyle was imposed on them from another perpetrator or brought on by their own weakness. All can be set free. We were all created to be FREE. We were made to set FREE every captive soul in our life journey. Yes, the power of the Holy Spirit is constantly at work in and through us.



FORGIVENESS

Unforgiveness is rooted in pride. It causes bitterness within us. It locks in sorrow, anger, and strife; it locks out joy, love, and a free revival life.

Forgiveness requires us to humble ourselves and put away our need for "fairness." It restores us to a place of true peace, transparency and a broken, humble spirit before God.

"To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts" (Hebrews 3:15). In Matthew 11:28, Jesus said, "Come unto me... and I will give you rest."

Ask Holy Spirit for the names and/or situations of 3 people that you may need to forgive. These maybe words that were said; situations that were done TO you or that weren't done FOR you. (use details)

RELEASE

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GUARD YOUR PASSION

There are certain things that must be done to start a fire, but when lit, a fire cannot infinitely burn. Just as things must be done in order to start a fire, things must be done to keep a fire burning.

Fire is a word we use to describe passion—fire for God and passion for God—fire of God and passion of God. The fire of God burning within us must be guarded and allowed to keep on burning or it will eventually be put out.

Revival in our life is a precious, precious thing. Guarding it is essential. We can guard it many different ways. We can pray and fast; read His word and fellowship with the Holy Spirit. We can shut off voices of doubt and complacency from the halfhearted and religious. We can turn away from the control of men and women who will choke out any signs of revival. We can surround ourselves with others who are hungry like us and even hungrier than us. We can travel to places where revival fire is burning hot and partake of their fire to keep our passion ablaze.

All of these things will help to guard the passionate fire of God in our heart. But, above all else, once we have hold of the passion of God, we must protect it at all cost.

“... but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. Therefore let us, as many as are mature, have this mind;...” Philippians 3:13-15



Scriptures

spiritual hunger

THIRST, HUNGER & DESIRE

Psalms 42:2
Psalms 62
Isaiah 35
Isaiah 55:1-3
Isaiah 44:1-3
John 7:37-39
Matthew 5:6
John 4:13-15
John 6:35
Revelation 7:16

Luke 1:53
1 Peter 2:2
1 Corinthians 14:1
Psalms 37:4
Psalms 27:4
Psalms 73:25
1 Corinthians 12:31
1 Corinthians 14:39
Revelation 22:17



REVIVAL INSPIRATIONS

- *"The only reason **we don't have revival** is because **we are willing to live without it.**" – Revivalist Leonard Ravenhill*
- *"**To desire revival...**and at the same time to neglect personal prayer and devotion is to wish one way and walk another." – Revivalist AW Tozer*
- *"**When is revival needed?** When carelessness and unconcern keep the people asleep." – Revivalist Billy Sunday*
- *"I am no longer my own, but Yours. Put me to what thou will. Put me to doing, Put me to suffering. Let me be employed for you, or laid aside for you. Let me be full, let me be empty. Let me have all things, let me have nothing. **I freely and wholeheartedly yield all things to your pleasure and disposal.** And now, glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, **You are mine and I am yours.** So be it. And the covenant now made on earth, let it be satisfied in heaven." – Revivalist John Wesley*
- *"Revival almost always begins among the laity. The ecclesiastical leaders seldom welcome reformation. History repeats itself. The present leaders are too comfortably situated as a rule to desire innovation that might require sacrifice on their part. **And God's fire only falls on sacrifice. An empty altar receives no fire!**" – Frank Bartleman*
- *"If you want revival, get right with God. If you are not prepared to bring the 'last piece,' for God's sake stop talking about revival, your talking and praying is but the laughing-stock of devils. It is about time we get into the grips of reality. **Are we thirsty?**" – Revivalist Duncan Campbell*

- "Often when people get angry during the offering, you see the "control" factor that it has over their hunger. *When God has your wallet, He has your heart.*" - Dr. Rodney Howard Browne
- "*Religion is like bad breath*; most don't know that they have it on them!" - Dr. Rodney Howard-Browne
- "The first step is a *deep repentance*, a *breaking down of heart*, a getting down into the dust before God, with *deep humility*, and a *forsaking of sin.*" - Revivalist Charles Finney
- "*Cast down your idols*; break them into tiny pieces! Let them be crushed to dust under the hammer of the Lord." - Steve Hill
- "No man can go down into the of his experience and hold the torch of God's word to all it's dark chambers, and hidden cavities and slimy recesses, and not come up with a shudder and a chill, and *an earnest cry to God* for divine mercy and cleansing." - Henry Ward Beecher
- "Revival doesn't begin with a river as in John 7, it has to begin with what Jesus said, 'If any man THIRSTS, let him come unto me, THEN out of his belly...'. *Revival always begins with a thirst*, long before there is a river out of the belly." - Revivalist Tom Scarrella
- "*Passion is the torrent of desire that lives within us all.* Living wide opens us up to receiving the fullness of God's life. Passion challenges our facades, bursts through our nice, safe, pretty expressions of Christianity and asks us to be real. We get so busy trying to demonstrate our spiritual correctness that we lose the art of living out of our souls." - Brent Curtis
- "The fire that *feeds* you is the fire that *leads* you. And the fire that leads you is the same fire that *protects* you." - Dr. Rodney Howard Browne

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