

## Title: Revive, Repent, Fire

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We have been talking about revival fire, the glory of God, and expecting His glory, and what that takes. He is here, and He is present. His presence is so thick. His presence is so tangible. He is so good. I guarantee that in worship, He is speaking to each and every person in an individual way. He moves corporately, but every heart is responding to Him. Just like nobody else is in the room, and it is just you and Him. That is how the Lord works. Corporately as His Bride, and us, as just one house, or just one family. He is truly moving on us and stirring our hearts to Him. Comforting those who need comfort. Healing those who need to be healed. Firing up those who need to be fired up. Bringing repentance, deliverance, healing, freedom, and always exhorting us. I just want to encourage you that He is always working one on one.

As we talked about the *season*, she said something in her statement and I did not tell her to say it, regarding “They gave it all up. They went all the way, and they laid it all down to carry something that God had put in their hearts to do.” That is what it means when Jesus said, “You must take up your cross daily and follow Me.” That means you are going to take up God’s will for your life. That is a huge statement, because it is not so you can go and die, but it is so that you can live really live. We are called to really live in this life. We know that we will live forever in heaven. Hallelujah. We can hardly wait.

But, the call for now is on this planet. He has placed our feet where they are, and until He takes us away to Himself, we have a job to do. It is better to do it in fire, in love, and in life. Rather than the opposite, right? If you were not moved this morning, your wood is wet, and you need to get around somebody to let some of that fire touch you. God's will and His heartbeat is contagious. We have to walk in the light, as He is in the light. That is a daily walk, and we need to walk consistently. You may be up one day and down the other, but the Lord wants to stabilize us and help us to walk consistently. He wants us to be steady and mature. Everyone say, “mature.” Mature and not tossed to and fro, but steadfast and immovable. That is what we are coming into is maturity. He will always be doing that until the last one comes to the Lord. That is truth.

We are going to be talking about revive and fire. The word revive is found in a few places in the Old Testament, but it is not found in the New Testament according to Strong’s concordance. That is interesting. What I want to say is found in the New Testament is Holy Ghost. Everyone say, “Holy Ghost.”

It is a new covenant, but we may find ourselves at times still needing to be revived. Correct? He calls it revival fire, revival love, revival passion, revival zeal, for the Lord. The zeal of the Lord is His furious love. It is His jealous love that will bring the Kingdom. Jesus is not passive and He is not asleep. So neither shall His bride be. If we are in love with Him, and that is what the morning was all about, then that burning in you will be revived. Simple devotion is all it takes. A simple Kingdom and a simple reality of what burns in us.

I want to read to you what the Strong’s says from the Old Testament what the word, “revive” actually means. “To live,” even as something was dead. Do we have a few stories in the Old Testament where something was dead and it was raised back to life? Absolutely! Do we have some stories in the New Testament where something was dead, and then It was raised back to life? Absolutely! Whether that was spiritually, physically, financially, emotionally, a work, or a move. That is what God does. It means to live and to have life. It means to remain alive, it

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means to sustain life. It means to live prosperously, to live forever, to be quickened, to be alive, to be restored to life or even to health. There is a definite quickening, a stirring up in the word revive.

Revival is hosting all those words we just said. Revival is a fresh fire. Revival is life. It is all about life. Constantly the Lord said, "Choose you life or choose you death," right? Choose life. "Choose you this day whom you serve." We have had this opportunity forever. Revival is having life and remaining alive. It is sustaining that life. That is what maturity is. Where you are sustained in it, but with revival fire, there is always increase. Remember, God's Kingdom always increases. You cannot stop God. You cannot stop God. Jesus is King. We sang about Him this morning as being King of the Nations. Jesus said that "the gates of hell shall not be able to prevail against, hold back, or stop the Church." Amen. They cannot even withstand it. God will use His Church, His Bride on this Earth to fulfill His perfect will.

There is no decrease in that, and you are going to battle that. You are going to battle that for awhile. Somewhere you have to make a decision. Somewhere you have to decide a thing. Somewhere, you are going to have to come in alignment with the heartbeat of the King, and what He has called the Church of the living God, His Ecclesia of God, His government of God, to do. Somewhere you have to come in agreement individually with what God Almighty wants to do, and then put yourself in that seat that He is called you to. If we are going to get in His seat, and do what He has called us to do, then we need to do it with all of our might. We need to be faithful. He called us to be good stewards.

Remember all the parables? He said, He gave some ten, some five, and some one. The great reward in Heaven is that you will be rewarded with what He gave you. You will be rewarded and you will also have a few fires burning in the Judgment Seat of Christ where we were not faithful, or it was wood, hay and stubble. I always say everyone is going to have a few bonfires, so just expect it. Because no one has been perfect in our flesh. But, thank God for Holy Ghost who is perfecting us. Perfecting and burning out of us through His refining fire, the flesh, works of the flesh, dead works, religion, pride, arrogance, and isolation. These things that make war against your seat in the Kingdom of Heaven, and who you are in Him.

Revival has been used around the charismatic community. Yes, but it is been around for awhile. The only reason why it had to come is because something put the fire out. If the fire is still burning, you do not need revival, because the fire is burning. Truth. You understand that? The only reason why you had to come, is because someone went away from God. The only way that Israel had to cry out and He had to come through His prophets, is because they went astray in their hearts. He never meant for the fire to go out. It is not in Him to do.

Jesus was a man on fire. He was everything. He represented God perfectly in every way. His name is Jealous. We see these attributes in the Old Testament, and we are going to be taking a journey through the word itself from the Old Testament and the New Testament in regards to this. You are revived according to His Word, and you are revived according to His Spirit. When you can come and be one heart with Him, you will know what God is after. Those that are still in their sin, it is just that they have not been saved yet. They have to really be revived, don't they? They have to come out of darkness and come into light. They need to be born again. You must be born again.

That is our job right now, to be an army on fire with love. We are called to go save, heal, and deliver. Yes, that is our job. That is our awesome mission in this life. We are called to encourage each other. You have apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers, and the saints, helping, learning growing, doing the work of the ministry, and there is fire in every one of them.

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There is fire in the apostolic, there is fire in the prophetic, there is fire in evangelism. He is bearing witness right now. I can feel it from the top of my head to the bottom of my feet. There is fire in teachers, pastors, administrations, and helps. It is not dead. God is not dead. I know they made lots of movies about that. But, that is not what I am talking about. God is not dead. He is very much alive. He is very passionate. Right now, you are going to see an increase of fire like you have never seen before.

I said the other day, "I am not looking for the Antichrist." The Bible says that he shall come. We know he will come. We know the antichrist system has been around a long time. It will increase and become darker and darker still. But, I have my eyes fixed on the Messiah. I am not looking for evil. I am not looking for disasters and calamities. I am not looking for the effects of sin. I am not looking for what the darkness will do next. I have my eyes and my gaze fixed on the Messiah. That is the position of the Bride. That is the gaze of her heart. When you are in Him, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah is in you. Yes! He prevails in, with, and through you. Our heartbeat is to be one with Him. There are love songs being sung constantly, because that is the Holy Ghost. That is the Holy Ghost stirring your heart to His love. Because, that is who we are. It is not just having to go do something, because we are supposed to. It is a relationship. We must have our gaze fixed on Him and His works and His Kingdom and all that He has.

I gave thanks this morning for the plans when I started this out. God gives plans. He gives blueprints. He gives you ideas. He gives you steps. He builds. God's a builder. The scripture says that "wisdom builds the house and wisdom is perfect," so we have to get in line with what God is building. He is doing a new thing. I think they sang that this morning and that new thing is what the Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is saying to you right now. What is the Spirit of Sovereign Lord telling you, and what is stirring in you right now? That is what it looks like.

Something is stirring in there and then you wrestle through the flesh. You feel the stirring, but then the victory comes when you finally go do it. When you finally quit making excuses and come. When you do it. When you step into that one thing that you did not think you could ever do. Or save that one people group, that you did not think would ever come, or go to that family member that you did not think would ever give their heart to Christ. Wherever it is in all of our lives, there is a stirring in God. All right, that is it, so all He is asking us to do is do it.

If you are an evangelist, and you know you are an evangelist, stand up. Quickly. Do not be ashamed. If you are an evangelist and you know it, stand up. All right, everybody look around. The whole body of Christ is called to evangelize, correct? Yes, we are. We all have the anointing to evangelize. But, there are some that they know they are called. That is our primary purpose unto God is to save souls. They know it, right. You know it, and there are those online that are not here. You know that you know it. All right, and your primary job is to go and be and do that.

But in the fivefold offices, which not all are appointed in those offices yet, but in those offices, your main job is to take your fire and pour it out on the saints so that they will go save souls. The apostolic has it all. First apostles, second prophets, third evangelists, fourth teachers, and then pastors. You understand, that whole five fold is a whole work, and you need all of them to make this work.

You all just lift up your hands to the Lord. Do not be ashamed and all timidity just leave in Jesus name. All guilt just leave in Jesus name. All those hopes and dreams and desires and passions that are burning in you and has been burning in you. Father God, I agree with these that they would say yes and amen. That from this day forward, you will stir up the gift of God within them. That they will be so lit on fire God, that every excuse, every hindrance, all lack, all discouragement is brought down today. That they will step out and step into and move with a

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river of fire to do what the Holy Ghost is saying. We thank you, Lord, for blessing them abundantly more than they ever thought or imagined right now in your presence as their hands are lifted high. I pray for a fresh touch of revival fire to fulfill that work. God says everything you need is provided for in full. Ask and you receive, seek and you will find, but go. Go! Scripture says, "go do the work of the evangelist." Amen. Amen.

You all can be seated. So any time you know anyone is around you, and you see their timidity in even leading someone to Jesus, guess what we get to do? We get to tell them how to put our hands on them and pray for them. That is how it works. That is how it works and it will spread. A little fire can start it. It does not take long. It does not take much for it to spread, correct. Reviving, reviving, reviving, strengthening one another and strengthening one another, that is what we are doing in love.

#### Nehemiah 4:1-2

In Nehemiah they are called to rebuild the walls. They have persecution and a lot of resistance from outside bullies. "What are these feeble Jews doing?" That is what the devil and what the world says. Right? They mock the work of God. "Will they fortify themselves? Will they offer sacrifices? Are they going to get this thing raised back up where the temple can even be rebuilt and the worship and the sacrifices can resume? Can all this really happen? Will they complete it in a day?"

Hear the mocking? Will they revive the stones from the heaps of rubbish, stones that are burned? That is sometimes what it looks like in your walk. It looks like something that has been worn out. Anybody heard the term "burned out?" Raise your hand if you have ever heard that. "Oh, man, I am just burned out." Right? Is there any hope to be revived if you have been burned out? If you did not rest or if you have been working too hard, or if you gave up and you quit? Or, you just stopped, and you just did not keep going? Because God had more. There is always more. We are on a journey. Okay? Is there hope? Will they revive the stones from the heaps of rubbish?

My first trip flying overseas actually, was on a British airline. I loved the stewardesses, because they came by and they asked for my "rubbish." I thought that was the best thing. I just called it trash over here in Texas and she said, "rubbish," with that British accent, and made trash just really lovely. Now, everywhere I go, it does not matter, if I am going to have fly on any plane, when they come to ask for my trash, all I can hear and I say it out loud is, "Here is my rubbish." Something was changed in the midst of the trash, it was made beautiful again. Can He take something that has been burned and bring it back to life?

I have been ministering a long time. I have heard a lot of saints say that they have been burned. Not just burned out, but burned by other saints. When you have been burned, it is because you have been betrayed. You have been sold out. You have been left alone. You have been persecuted. Right? You have been rejected, so forth and so on. "Man, I did that once and I was burned. I tried to step out, but I have been burned in it. I tried to step out in that new position. I tried to go forward and something came and resisted you correct?" But, we know that God's life can restore those stones. Can they breathe again? Yes!

#### Psalms 85:1-13

Isn't that powerful? Look at it. They know that they have gone astray. They know there has been sin. They know that they have been guilty of stuff. They know that they need reviving. They are calling out. "Please do not be angry with us forever. Please restore us. Let your anger cease." You can hear the cry in the prayer. Verse six, "Will you not revive us again? Why did they have to say that? Because, He has to do it over and over again. It is called humanity, being humans and flesh, right? "Revive us again," and from that point forward, it gets better.

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Correct? “Will you not revive us again? Your people who rejoice in you.” Now they start prophesying who He is. “Show us your mercy, Lord, grant us your salvation.” We hear what God will say. He speaks peace, shalom, here to His people and to His saints. “Let them not turn back to folly.” That means do not go back to the trash. Do not go back to the sin, and do not go back to what was not working for you. Go forward. He said, “Surely the salvation is near to those who fear Him.” That is the key in all of this, “that glory can dwell in our land.” Glory can dwell in me, glory can dwell in your home, glory can be in your office, so glory can be in your missions. Glory can be in everything you are called to do with God. “The goodness of God, mercy and truth, have met together. Righteousness and peace have kissed.” Isn’t that intimate and beautiful? That is the Lord touching us.

“Truth shall spring up out of the earth.” Are we looking for truth to spring up? Are we looking for evil? We need to look for truth to spring up, especially when there are lies, lies, and more lies. God will bring truth, yes! We need to look for truth to spring up. We sing the song, “Spring up oh well,” right? We need to look for truth to spring up in ourselves.

That is why the Holy Ghost is in charge. He will come and give you a heart pump real quick, with just a little bit of truth, and what we do with that truth in that moment is everything. Sometimes, He comes very gentle and you hear this reviving little word in your heart, and you feel that beat. Then you go on about your business, and do not go back to it. When you hear that voice, when you hear that pulse, go to that. Follow that voice. Follow that inclination. Follow that little voice. Follow that little movement forward. Chase it down, and overcome it.

There used to be a movement called, “God Chasers.” Anyone heard about that or read the book by Tommy Tenney? It is about man who caught the fire they were asking for. God showed up at the altar, if I am remembering correctly, and all of a sudden he was turned from a preacher to a “God chaser.” Just one touch, one little touch from God, and there it is. Wow! “Glory will dwell in your land, righteousness shall look down from Heaven. Yes, the Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.” You see the faith there? It all comes from one touch, one revival. Thank you, Lord.

#### Psalms 138:1-8

Verse 7, “Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you will revive me. You will stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and your right hand will save me.”

In the Psalms, they are writing by the Holy Ghost. You can see the battle in the human heart. You can see the battle that is going on around them, and their will and choice to praise God for who He is. That is why we are singing this week, “He Reigns, He Reigns, He Reigns. That is what shifts atmospheres. Holy Ghost says now that you have seen some more darkness, I want you to declare that “I reign.” Now that another level of yuck was revealed, I want you to declare, “I reign.” I want you to declare that, “I reign.” He is trying to pick up your soul and revive you in the midst of your years, no matter what trouble He is having to expose Himself. We sang this morning, “Everything that can be shaken will be shaken.”

While God does that work, He needs His bride and His church to declare who He is. That is how we reign in this life. That is the gift God has given us through worship. Instruments, toe tapping, and just declaring the Word of God. Whatever it is, singing while you mop, it does not matter. It is high praise and a two-edged sword in our hand, that defeats the enemy no matter what. Even when we lose loved ones, we are praising Him. We are loving Him, and we are thankful that they have eternal life with Jesus. No matter what time of life it is. This is still our number one call, “revive me, even in the midst of trouble.” Over and over again, they cried out, “Oh God, revive us!” “God revive us.”

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Well, I do not want to have to do that. I just want fire. I want fresh fire. So the prayer does not say revive us more, but “God, anoint me with fresh fire. You are doing something new. Get me on that path. Give me life. Set my soul on fire. Set my thoughts on fire. Set my ears on fire. Set my toes on fire.” When He hits hard and comes and knocks the feet out from underneath you, you say, “I am going to seek you all the more even in the midst of the pain. I am going to crush the head of Satan under my feet.” Because, you are convinced with Luke 10:19, where Jesus said, “Behold, I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions, and nothing by any means shall harm you.” That is Jesus. That is the walk of the evangelists. That is the walk of faith. That is the walk in you. Though you are in the midst of darkness, there is this fire that is burning over you, that keeps you in perfect peace. We must be all in. We must be all in. Say, “All in,” not a little here and a little there. All in, that means you show up. It means you show up before the throne of grace. “Here I am. Here I am, Lord, revive me.”

The number one thing that you hear, that starts out in the New Testament, is this big word, **Repent**. I know they used it in the Old Testament. I did not find the word revive, but I found the word **repent**, and the spirit of Elijah was on John the Baptist. He heralded it before the Messiah appears. He came preaching a baptism of repentance, so that the hearts would start turning to God again, because they had not heard the word the Lord in over 400 years. You talk about needing to be revived! Yes, that fire right there on John the Baptist, who said, “I am baptizing you with water for repentance. But, there is one coming after me. He is going to baptize you in the Holy Ghost and fire.” That was Christ's mission.

He knew that when the Father had to call Him back to Heaven, we had to have the same baptism that He had. Acts chapter one, two, and four all the way through till today. That is it. That is it. We must get our hearts positioned, and repent where we need to. How do you get this revival fire? You believe in these words that He is speaking, and you humble yourself before God, and repent where you need to. Where you know the fire went out. Or, *maybe it is just that you need a little thump in the chest. Your heart just needs a little breath. Just a little reviving, encouragement, fresh oil, and a new understanding of His heart. The love will always increase. “Even though we walk through the valley of the shadow of death, we fear no evil, for He is with us.”* Remember, “His nearness is our good.”

It is something else to go all out and really believe for God Almighty to reveal His glory to you. He is going to reveal His glory to every person differently, but it is always the same. If I line up five of you and say, “Okay, tell me how God has revealed Himself to you?” There may be different stories, but it is the same Spirit that is working in all. That is it, He just wants us to be in love. He just wants us to obey, and He just wants us to be filled to overflowing with His Spirit and fire. He wants to baptize those who have not been baptized in the Holy Ghost and fire, get them freshly filled to do the work of the ministry to the end. It is really simple.

But, it is a work of repentance, to change the way you are thinking. Go the other way. Repent. Stop doing, go the other way from what the flesh wants you to do. Get right with God. Go all the way in. We are in the time where we are going to go all the way in. What would you believe God for? What impossible thing did He tell you to believe for? What impossible thing have you been told in your secret place? What has God been whispering in your ear? It is all impossible. Everything He tells us to do is impossible. It is impossible with man, but possible with God. It does not matter what it is, just agree, it is impossible. I cannot do this. But, in God, in Christ, we can. Notice I said, “we can.” Right?

Grant brought up the awesome cheer, “I Believe, We Win.” If you were not here last week, then you can find it online with the link and listen. God is just speaking from every avenue to those who have an ear to hear and will hear. There is a stirring in our K3 class of “Falls Fresh Fire. The people giving the messages so far are getting stirred up and on fire. They are realizing like

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Mary, in her example, "I was praying, God give me the hungry and thirsty. God said, 'are you hungry and are you thirsty?'" She taught about that, so it is no secret. That is what it looks like. You want fire? Right? What are you going to do to get it? That is what it looks like. You want others to join you in the work? Well, let's get on fire and maybe they will.

Let's stand up. We are going to stop there for now. Hopefully you have have enough seed in you so far, to know where we are and that this is the day that the Lord has made.

We are glad, Lord. We have heard your song over us today. We know that we have joined you and all the saints in Heaven. Some would say, "Well, I have been there and done that." You say, "Let's do it!"

Father God, we thank you for refreshing us, and reviving us in the midst of our years, even in the midst of trouble and where we have been burned or burned out. Even the midst of all the ups and downs, the shakings, the tremblings on this Earth that you promised would come. We remain steadfast, immovable, with our gaze fixed on you Jesus Christ, King of kings and Lord of lords. Baptizer in the Holy Ghost and fire. I ask that you would baptize each and every one of us in your Holy Ghost and fire, fresh and new.

That it would be a daily awakening, a daily fragrance, a daily touch, something that burns in our heart, a fire that burns in our heart that is transferable. That comes out of our eyes so when others see us, they see a fire and a glow. They see a love that they have not seen before. Where some jump up out of their beds and and they leap and they walk because they saw Jesus walk in the room. We will not be discouraged. The work is being completed. I thank you, Father God. I thank you that you are the Author and the Finisher of our faith, Lord. We thank you that we are fixed. We are trained, and we are submitted. We are learning, we are growing, and we are adhering to the voice of the Lord. Night and day, and day and night, Lord.

Holy Spirit, we yield to you again wholeheartedly and in total surrender to you. Holy Spirit lead us, revive us, and strengthen us as you choose. Speak to us the Lord's heart. Quicken us and let us know Lord, your plans for us. We thank you for hovering over our cities. May great grace run from door to door, person to person, and house to house. Send forth great grace amongst us, so that the fire can be caught. We thank you for doing the work in us that only the Refiners Fire can do. Thank you for restoring the years the locusts have eaten. Thank you for reviving us in the midst of our years. Thank you for telling us how to build and rebuild. Thank you for showing us how to restore. Thank you, Father, for fulfilling your work perfectly. In Jesus. Name, Amen.