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Today's Passage ~ Acts 1:3-8

How Revival Comes *Not* ~ *Do It Yourself*

| Revival by Definition | Revival | l by | Defin | ition |
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- an *improvement* in the condition or strength of something
- an instance of something becoming popular, active, or *important*

| Why is Revival Needed? |
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| Christians and Churches have a | to become |
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| comfortable and content in | their level of devotion |
| and service to God. Becomin | ng preoccupied with life, |
| their commitment | deteriorates. |

Church Conditions in the early church:

- ♦ Forsaking their first love ~ Rev. 2:4
- Falling for false teachers and temptations ~ Rev. 2:14-15
- ♦ Seemingly alive, yet dead ~ Rev. 3:1-2
- ♦ Lukewarm ~ *Rev. 3:15-16*

Revival Comes Through the Holy Spirit $P_{\underline{}}$.

Revival will never alone come through

a Person, a Program or a Process.

It will not come from God like an ______ electricity.

... "Prophesy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, hear the word of the Lord! ⁵ This is what the Sovereign Lord says to these bones: I will make **breath** enter you, and <u>you will come to life</u>. ⁶ I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put **breath** in you, and <u>you will come to life</u>. Then you will know that I am the Lord." // ¹⁴ I will put my Spirit **in you** and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the Lord have spoken, and I have done it, declares the Lord." Ezek. 37:4-6 & 14

What should we be doing? S_____ Him (Asking of Him)

| Revival Comes Through the Holy Spirit's $P_{____}$ | |
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| The Divine Strength of His Presence | things. |
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| We Discover a Completely Different P | |

When He comes, He will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: ⁹ about sin, because people do not believe in me; ¹⁰ about righteousness, because I am going to the Father, where you can see me no longer; ¹¹ and about judgment, because the prince of this world now stands condemned.

12 "I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. 13 But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on His own; He will speak only what He hears, and He will tell you what is yet to come.

John 16:8-13

What should we be doing? S______ to Him (His Will be Done)

Revival Comes Through the Holy Spirit's $P_{\underline{}}$, filling us full.

All of them were **filled** with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

16 No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: 17 In the last days, God says, <u>I will pour out my Spirit</u> on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. 18 Even on my servants, both men and women, <u>I will pour out my Spirit</u> in those days, and they will prophecy.

Acts 2:4 & 16-18

What should we be doing? S_____ Him (Answering His Call)

Optional Reading: Key wordsRevive or Restore(7 chapters)Psalm51, 71, 80, 85, Isaiah57 Hosea61 Peter5

Key words Filled with the Holy Spirit (7 chapters) **Exodus** 31 **Deut.** 34 **Luke** 1 & 2 **Acts** 2, 4, **Eph.** 5