

REVIVAL BEGINS WITH YOU!

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"Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may rejoice in thee? Shew us thy mercy, O LORD, and grant us thy salvation. I will hear what God the LORD will speak: for he will speak peace unto his people, and to his saints: but let them not turn again to folly. Surely his salvation is nigh them that fear him; that glory may dwell in our land. Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other. Truth shall spring out of the earth; and righteousness shall look down from heaven" [Psalms 85:6-11].

Revival! Oh how we need a real God sent, devil chasing, Holy Ghost revival!

The entire world and especially the United States has been shaken and will be shaken again and again! Many of us have warned of the coming destruction of America for years. In several of my articles I wrote how God did not want to destroy America, He wanted to save America. But sin is a reproach to any people, and God will deal with sin.

It looks like the more we pray and hope for revival the worse it gets. The atrocities we are witnessing is almost unbelievable! The world is evil and wicked and will be growing worse and worse. Be prepared, you will continue to hear of sick, depraved, disgusting acts committed on men, women and even

children.

Public schools are not safe; knives, guns, explosives, dope, and alcohol are discovered almost every day in raids on schools in this country. Most public schools have now installed metal detection devices to try and slow the influx of dangerous weapons into the classrooms. Armed guards now patrol our schools because we desperately need to halt the murder of our innocent children. This is what America has become!

You know it's the truth! Public places use to be safe. It is now dangerous to go shopping at your neighborhood mall or Walmart. It's not safe anymore to have a meal with your family at a restaurant! The whole world is aflame with lust and perversion! And believe it or not, it is the same in many other countries, and it is going to get worse in this country.

"But evil man and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived" [2Timothy 3:13].

Jesus said concerning the end time: *"Because iniquity shall abound, the love of many would wax cold" [Matthew 24:12].*

I am reminding you of the condition of our nation and the world to awaken you of a great truth. What we are witnessing is foretold in the Holy Scriptures.

"This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures

more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away” [2Timothy 3:1-5].

The Bible is clear. We have been warned of what was coming and we were also instructed on what we should do. We must turn away from such that do these things!

My friends, are you taking full advantage of the present spiritual condition? You might ask, “What in the world is my advantage in all this wickedness that is happening?”

The Holy Ghost is your advantage! Are you manifesting the Power of God that lies within you? Are you preaching, teaching, witnessing, casting out devils and healing the sick? Are you bringing revival to your home, neighborhood, or church? Or, are you mentally and spiritually bogged down in despair and discouragement because of what you are seeing come to pass in the world?

We have all experienced discouragement. Discouragement is one of the greatest tools the devil uses to defeat God’s people. My friends you need to stop entertaining all those negative thoughts the devil puts in your minds. “You can’t do this, you’re not good enough, you’re too poor, you don’t have any open doors, you’re too fat, too skinny, too ugly,” and on, and on, you let the devil talk to you. Stop it!

Revival starts with you my friend! It does not matter what the devil, or anyone says about you! The only one that matters is God! What does He say about you?

You say, “Well, I don’t know, I failed God so

many times, I just know God doesn't care much for me." Really? Let me tell you my friend, we have all failed God many times. We all fall short of His Glory! But we have an advantage. We have a Mediator, Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. When you repent of whatever wrong you have done, God forgives you and that sin is forever forgotten. The only one that remembers is you, and the only one that will accuse you is the devil.

God doesn't look at you or I the way we look at one another. When I look at myself, all I see is my failures. When God looks at me, all He sees is my potential. He sees a fire baptized over-comer, a conqueror, a mighty man of valor, a man of God!

Church, we need to stir up the gift of God that is within us. We need to cast down evil imaginations, and the very thoughts that are against God. We need to begin looking at ourselves the way God looks at us. We look up to find God, but God is looking down on us knowing the full revelation from the beginning of your life to the end of your life. He knows all things!

Let me take you to the Word of God for just a moment and see what God says about His people.

First of all, in Matthew chapter 3, verse eleven, John the Baptist said that Jesus would come and baptize us with the Holy Ghost and with fire. This is the beginning for every Christian. When the Lord baptizes you, you are fully immersed in the Holy Ghost! I am persuaded that I have been baptized in the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost is power! You and I have been filled, immersed, saturated with power. Holy Ghost Power!

Look what Jesus said about the Holy Ghost in St.

John chapter 7: *"In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.*

(But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified)." [John 7:37-39].

Several years ago, the Lord spoke to my heart and told me that the revival I had been praying for was in me. It shook me until I got into the Word of God and found that God had put rivers on living water in me. That's revival folks! Living water represents life and the Holy Ghost is a life giving Spirit. The potential for revival is in us. No matter what you think or feel, God says if you have the Holy Ghost, you have got life in you! Folks, we need to wake up!

"Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you?" [1 Corinthians 3:16].

"And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people" [2 Corinthians 6:16].

God doesn't live somewhere beyond the universe. He lives in us. We are His house, His temple, His body! Where I go, God goes. He is with me continually. Jesus said, *"I am with you always, even to the end of the world."* See Matthew 28:20). So then, if God be for me, who is against me?

Child of God, wake up and realize who you are! Did you know that the Bible says that we are His flesh and bones? Let's read it together: *"For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning Christ and the church. [Ephesians 5:30-32]*

Children of God, when they looked upon Jesus Christ, they saw the Father. Jesus said, *"When you have seen me, you have seen the Father."*

The physical Son of God is the expressed image of the person of God! (Jesus was the flesh and bones of God). The true born again church of the Living God should understand that they are the expressed image of the Christ! Did not the Word of God we just read say we are the members of His body, of His flesh, and of His bones?

Of course we are, for the Word of God has declared it so. Let God be true and every man a liar. *"Without holiness, no man shall see the Lord"* (Hebrews 12:14). The holy, godly lifestyle you live is the only Jesus many will ever see! Truly, we are "written epistles" read of all men! (See 2Corinthians 3:2). You are a walking, talking revival!

Jesus said, *"I and my Father are one."* In St. John chapter seventeen Jesus prayed to the Father and asked, *"that they may be one, even as we are one."* We are one with God! I know it is hard for some to receive this, but Jesus prayed that we would be one with the Father in the same relationship that He and the Father enjoyed. Remember, the Apostle John said,

"Now, are we the sons of God and it doth not yet appear what we shall be" When will we be sons of God? Now! Right now, *we are the sons of God.*

I know the devil tries to beat us all down into thinking that we are nothing. But we are something! We are sons of God and we are one with our Father.

"That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him: The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power, Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set him at his own right hand in the heavenly places, Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come: And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to the church, Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all" [Ephesians 1:17-23].

You see, God wants us to have this understanding and this wisdom. Jesus is our Head, we are His body, and all things have been put under Him, and us. Glory to God!

Children, we have unbelievable power within us. It is there; it came with the Holy Ghost. The key to unleash this power is faith. That's right faith! Faith in what? Faith in what God says and faith in who you are! God says, you are sons of God now. God says, you are

one with Him now. God says, you are more than a conqueror now. God says, you are the light of the world now. God says, greater is He that is in you, than he that is in the world now, right now!

But you say, “.” Well, you know what you say!

Some of you have traveled from church to church and preacher to preacher wanting a Word from God. Well look no further; I am giving you a Word from God!

He's talking to you! I want you to devour and receive this Word. Wake up man of God! Wake up woman of God! God is speaking directly to you in this message.

“That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man; That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; May be able to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God. Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us” [Ephesians 3:17-20].

You can have all the fullness of God. And the power to do more than you can perceive in your mind is in you, not way off beyond Mars.

“Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us” [Romans 8:37].

A very familiar scripture, but do you believe it? Can you receive the Truth that YOU are more than a conqueror right now?! God says you are, no matter what you might think of yourself.

"Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world" [1 John 4:4].

You may remember me writing several years ago that the Lord had spoken to my heart and said. "The devil is afraid of you". Well, I sure didn't know what to think about that until I began to receive the Word of God as absolute Truth. In other words, if the Word said it, it is true. No matter what I think or what my present situation is! All I have to do is believe it.

"Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?" [2Corinthians 13:5].

Therefore, if He (God) that is within me is greater than he (the devil) that is in the world, that settles it, the devil would have to be afraid of me, for I am flesh of His flesh, bone of His bone. I believe God's Word that states very clearly, "Jesus Christ is in me". Children of God, We must believe what God's Word has testified of us. We really have no excuse!

I really believe that every spirit filled Christian can turn the world upside down just as the Apostles of old did. This is our time. My time, and your time. Today is the day of salvation, now is the appointed time. The vine is ripe, let's go reap the harvest.

I pray everyone who reads this will go forth now and do the works of God. Preach the Word, cast the devil out, heal the sick, raise the dead. Freely you have received, freely give.

"For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light"

[Ephesians 5:8].

"Wherefore he saith, Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give thee light. See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil" [Ephesians 5:14-16].

Remember, Jesus said, *"The harvest was great, but the laborers few."*

I believe He was talking about the time in which we live. There is almost eight billion souls on planet earth. Truly a great harvest in these evil end times. Most have never heard the true gospel of Jesus Christ, many others are caught in the webs of various religions, all needing deliverance.

Yes, there should be no doubt. We should all redeem the time for these days are certainly evil. Let's let whatever time we have left count for Jesus. You are the light the world needs! Let your light shine.

Remember my opening scripture from Psalms eighty-five? God is looking for His people in this generation to bring it to pass: *"Surely his salvation is nigh them that fear him; that glory may dwell in our land. Mercy and truth are met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other. Truth shall spring out of the earth; and righteousness shall look down from heaven"*

The world needs revival now! It can begin in you!

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