

# REVIVE US *Again!*



Nine Steps to  
Spiritual Renewal

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## A SEASON OF FASTING AND PRAYING

January 6-26, 2025

*Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you? (Psalm 85:6 NIV)*

Our theme and church-wide focus for 2025 is **REVIVE US AGAIN!** Our prayer is that God would set the hearts of His people on fire for Him. Leonard Ravenhill best describes our aim:

You never have to advertise a fire. Everyone comes running when there is a fire. Likewise, if your church is on fire, you will not have to advertise it. The community will already know it.

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This will also be the focus for our Spring Discipleship Series that begins in March. We will use a book that we are producing in house.

- **What Is Revival?**

Revival is falling in love with Jesus all over again.—Vince Havner

Revival is the rekindling of spiritual fire that has grown cold in the heart.—A.W. Tozer

Revival is the work of God. It is God's response to the repentance of His people. The definitive result of revival is obedience. The goal is not to fill empty churches; it is to fill empty hearts.

[Revival is the restoration of the joy of our salvation.](#)

▪ **When Is Revival Necessary?**

1. When our love for God grows cold
2. When sin is normative
3. When our faith becomes stagnant
4. When we are not grieving for the lost
5. When the ministry becomes mechanical (and consequently meaningless)

▪ **What Does Revival Look Like?**

1. A return to our first love
2. A renewed sense of God's presence
3. A release from strongholds (pride, greed, and lust)
4. A restoration of the joy of our salvation
5. A recommitment to the Body of Christ

▪ **What Does Revival Requires?**

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. (2 Chronicles 7:14 NIV)

1. **We must humble ourselves.** 1 Peter 5:5 says, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."
2. **We must pray.** Prayer is the privilege to have our needs met, our sins forgiven, and our cries heard.
3. **We must seek God's face.** God's hand is a biblical metaphor for His power. God's face is a metaphor for God's presence.
4. **We must turn from our wicked ways.** Revival always confronts sin. Frank Bartleman said, "The depth of our repentance will determine the depth of our revival."

▪ **DO I NEED REVIVAL?**

<sup>7</sup> Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup> Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. <sup>9</sup> Grieve, mourn and wail. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. <sup>10</sup> Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up. (James 4:7-10 NIV)

1. **Submit**—Am I living completely surrendered to God?
2. **Resist**—Am I winning the fight with the devil?
3. **Draw Near**—Do I feel close to God?
4. **Cleanse**—Is there a sin in my life that requires repentance?
5. **Purify**—Is there recurrent sin in my life that requires deliverance?
6. **Lament**—Is there something I regret and need to forgive myself for?
7. **Mourn**—Is there a loss that I need to grieve? Is there something that I need to forgive God for?
8. **Weep**—Do I need to cry?
9. **Humble**—Do I think more highly of myself than I ought?

**CONCLUSION—Our Next Step**

We are inviting our church to a season of fasting and prayer beginning January 6-26. During this season, we will observe **The Daniel Fast**, which is a partial fast, found in Daniel 10. **The Daniel Fast** is a 21-day spiritual journey that adheres to the following diet.

**FOODS/DRINKS PERMITTED**

Fruit  
Vegetables  
Water  
100% fruit juice  
100% vegetable juice

**FOODS/DRINKS PROHIBITED**

Desserts  
Bread  
Meat (ALL animal products)  
Carbonated drinks  
Alcoholic beverages

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**DAILY PRAYER CALL**  
**JANUARY 6-26, 2025 @ 6 AM (CST)**  
605-475-4000 Access Code 700843#

**PRAYER MEETING**  
**EVERY SUNDAY IN JANUARY @ 9:45 AM (CST)**

**VICTORY SUNDAY**  
**JANUARY 26, 2025 @ 9:45 (CST)**

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