March 4<sup>th</sup> - March 10<sup>th</sup>

Ready for Revival pt 1

In this lesson you will learn three important factors for Revival.

**Intro:** What is revival? Revival is that which reinvigorates God's people with His truth and power. Revival is the radical change inside the heart of a believer that results in a radical change in their life affecting the outside world. Revival is when a church is set ablaze with a passion for Jesus, and invites the Holy Spirit to help impact their territory in a profound way. Revival makes men and women hungry and responsive to Scripture. Revival brings a greater sense of love toward God and others.

I. **Revival begins with a recognition that things must Change**

A. Haggai 1:7-15 –when there is a season of no hunger, people become comfortable, complacent, and stuck. One of the biggest enemies of revival is the Church's mindset of survival. What you tolerate in your life, you will continue to experience on a regular basis. Once we recognize our survivalist mentality, we can change it by stirring up our hunger for more of God's presence and His Word. The more we eat of His Word and experience His Presence, the more we will want more of Him and less of our own desires.

II. **It's Time for Revival**

A. Rom 13:11-14 – It's time to wake up, and go all in for God! Do not let sin harden your hearts and deceive you into thinking that everything is OK. Today is the day to return to God in hunger and earnestness. It's time to put on the whole armor of God and cast off the works of darkness. Don't put it off until tomorrow. Now is the time to wake up to good works.

III. **Revival starts with Repentance**

A. 2 Chron 16:9 –God is waiting for you. James 4:8-10 –Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you. Repentance is humbling yourself before God, and recognizing your need for Jesus. Repentance means turning from our ways to God's ways. Repentance is the key to unlock the door of God's unlimited resources. True repentance is a God given call to transform us from an anemic way of life to the vibrant life flow of a passionate relationship with God.

**Discussion Questions**

1. Do you feel a need for personal revival in your life?
2. What is hindering you from experiencing more of God's Presence?
3. Is it time for revival in your life?