

## Sermon Series: REVIVAL IS HERE

**Sermon Title:** "When All the Dishonest People Confess Up & All the Disgruntled People Sweeten Up & All the Depressed People Look Up"

**Scripture: Matthew 9:1-8 (NIV)**

**REVIEW:** When all the \_\_\_\_\_ (sleeping) people wake up, when all the \_\_\_\_\_ (gossips) shut up, when all the church members \_\_\_\_\_ (pray) up, when all the lukewarm people \_\_\_\_\_ (warm) up, when all the discouraged people \_\_\_\_\_ (cheer) up...REVIVAL IS HERE!

**INTRO:** Jesus wants to meet your spiritual, physical and \_\_\_\_\_ (emotional) needs!

### WHAT BLOCKS REVIVAL BLESSINGS?

#### 1. \_\_\_\_\_ (SIN)

- "If I had cherished sin in my heart, the LORD would not have listened; but God has surely listened and has heard my prayer. Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his love from me!" (Psalm 66:18-20)

- "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9)

- "Your sins are forgiven" (Matthew 9:2)

#### 2. \_\_\_\_\_ (GRUMBLING)

- "Don't grumble against each other, brothers, or you will be judged" (James 5:9)

- "Do not grumble, as some of them did, and were killed by the destroying angel" (1 Corinthians 10:10)

- "At this the Jews began to grumble about him...Stop grumbling among yourselves, Jesus answered" (John 6:41-43)

"Some of the teachers of the law said to themselves, 'this fellow is blaspheming'...knowing their thoughts, Jesus said, 'Why do you entertain evil thoughts in your hearts?'" (Matthew 9:3-4)

#### 3. \_\_\_\_\_ (SELF)

- "Elijah was afraid and ran for his life...he came to a broom tree, sat down under it and prayed that he might die...'I have had enough, LORD, take my life" (1 Kings 19:3-4)

- "Why are you downcast, O my soul? Why so disturbed within me? Put your hope in God for I will yet praise him, my Savior and my God" (Psalm 42:11)

- "Take heart...get up, take your mat and go home" (Matthew 9:2, 6)

**CLOSE:** \_\_\_\_\_ (Confess) your sin, \_\_\_\_\_ (Quit) grumbling, \_\_\_\_\_ (Surrender) yourself!

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