

Sermon Notes-What is Revival

Introduction

- Ask: “*When I say revival, what comes to your mind?*”
 - A personal experience?
 - Pentecost in Acts?
 - The Jesus Movement?
 - Recent services/events (e.g., Charlie Kirk’s memorial mentioned “revival” often).
 - Revival = **Awakening, Renewal, Movement**.
 - Revival is the **breath of God** bringing life back into what was dry, weary, or dead.
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1. Awakening (Awake)

- More than emotional stirring—it is spiritual sight.
 - **Romans 13:11–12** – “Wake up from slumber.”
 - Awakening is like turning on the light so we can see clearly.
 - Revival first opens our eyes to God’s reality.
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2. Renewal (Repentance & Refreshing)

- Illustrated in **Ezekiel 37:4–8** – Dry bones coming together.
 - Renewal happens when God’s Spirit breathes fresh life.
 - Renewal resets and recharges:
 - Our mind
 - Our spirit and soul
 - Our gifts
 - The body of Christ
 - Our mission & vision
 - Our spiritual senses
 - Our boldness (**Acts 4:31**)
 - Renewal **frees us** from bondage—Spirit brings liberty.
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3. Movement (Action)

- The Spirit not only moves **on us**, but also **moves us on**.
- Early church moved from Jerusalem outward (Acts 1:8 fulfilled).
- **Ezekiel 36:26–27** – A new heart and Spirit that causes us to walk in His ways.
- Revival results in action, obedience, and mission.

Closing

- **Lamentations 5:21 (NIV)** – “Restore us... renew our days.”
- **Lamentations 5:21 (CEV)** – “Bring us back... give us a fresh start.”
- Revival begins with God breathing again into His people.
- Call to pray: *“Lord, breathe Your Spirit into us again. Awaken us, renew us, and move us for Your glory.”*