

HUNGER AND THIRST: STIR UP

Sermon Series : Hunger and Thirst

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Blessed are those who **hunger** and **thirst** for **righteousness**,
for they will be **filled**.(Matt 5:6)

Q: DO YOU WANT REVIVAL?

1) **MATTHEW 5:6** →

“**HUNGER**” (John 4:32-34; Matt 4:4; Deut 8:3)

“**THIRST**” (Jer 2:13; Ps 42:1-2; 63:1-5)

The meaning of "hungering and thirsting" is this: these persons do not believe they can live until they find or see righteousness. They long for what is right, they crave justice, they cannot live without God's victory prevailing; for them right relations in the world are not just a luxury or a mere hope but an absolute necessity if they are to live at all. — Frederick Dale Bruner

“**RIGHTEOUSNESS**” (Matt 6:33; Jas 1:27)

Righteousness = δικαιοσύνη (dikaiousunē)

- the doctrine concerning the way in which man may attain a state approved of God
- integrity, virtue, purity of life, rightness, correctness of thinking feeling, and acting

“The two tasks must be held in balance so that we do not lose social justice in our quest for personal piety or sacrifice moral purity in trying to reach the physically needy. James insists that the two go hand-in-hand; neither may supplant the other.”

“Yet one could virtually write an entire history of both Israel and the church in terms of the movements and periods in which either social action or personal holiness seemed to triumph over the other. The true outworking of a life of faith, personally and ecclesiastically, clearly requires both. Doing good, even in the name of Jesus, will bring few to Christ when others see no inward transformation in those reaching out to them.”

“**FILLED**”

2) WE STIR UP REVIVAL BY...

a) Our Holy Discontent

A holy discontent comes from a deep belief that there must be something done to right a wrong with the world or to do all one can to ensure the gospel is brought to hurting people

b) Our Desperate Posture (John 15:5; Isa 57:15; 66:2)

c) Our Broken Hearts

- For the Lost (Luke 13:34-35; 19:41-42; Rom 9:1-3)
- For the Marginalized (Matt 20:29-34)

d) Our Costly Sacrifice

e) Our Paramount Relationship with Jesus (Rom 10:13-17 NLT)



f) Our Visible Love (Luke 4:16-21)

- Salt & Light (Matt 5:13-16)

g) Our Overflowing Life

- Fruit of the Spirit (Gal 5:22-25 NLT)
- Signs and Wonders (Acts 4:29-30)

h) Our Relentless Plea

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QUESTIONS

1. [Jake's opening question:] Do you want revival?

2. Consider your own relationship with Jesus. Rate yourself on a 1-10 scale:
 - a. How much do you hunger and thirst for more of Jesus?
 - b. How much do you hunger and thirst for righteousness?
(Why you give yourself that number?)

3. Jake suggestion eight ways we stir up revival.
 - a. Which of these have you experienced most? Can you share a specific example of how it stirred up hunger for God?
 - b. Which of these is most challenging for you? Why?

4. Take time to pray together:
 - Repent together for the sins of your Group, our church, and our city.
 - Pray that God would break your heart over your own sin
 - Pray that God would break your heart for our city