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As a result God pours out His blessings

This overflows then into community often resulting in many souls coming to Christ.

# **Factors to Revival**

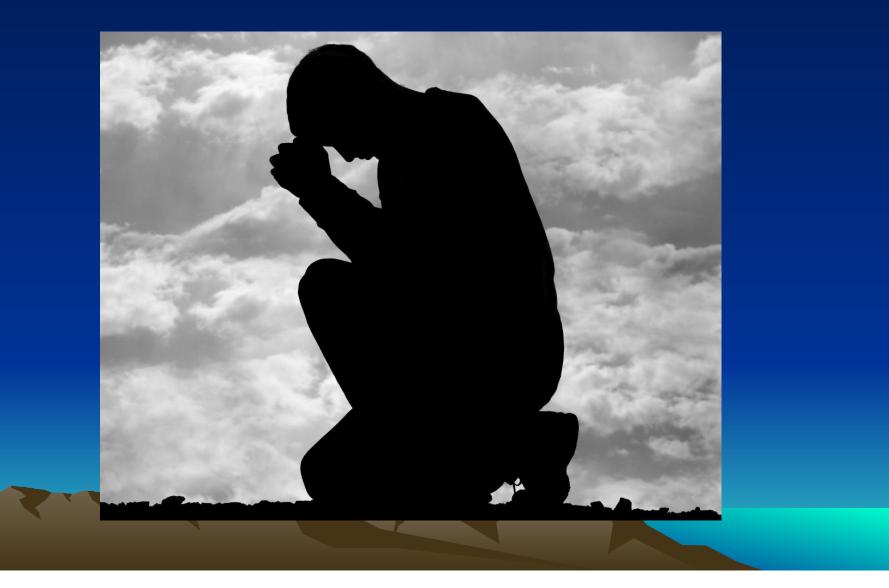
- 1. Concern for the spiritual state of community
- **2.** Total commitment by at least some
- **3.** Prayer (spiritual warfare)
- 4. Unity (unity of purpose)
- **5.** Openness to the Holy Spirit
- 6. Then GOD BLESSING MIGHTILY.

# 2 CHRONICLES 7:14

**13** "When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command locusts to devour the land or send a plague among my people,

14 if my people, who are called by my name, will <u>humble themselves</u> and <u>pray</u> and <u>seek my face</u> and <u>turn from their</u> wicked ways, then will I <u>hear from</u> <u>heaven</u> and will <u>forgive their sin</u> and will heal their land.

#### 1. HUMILITY



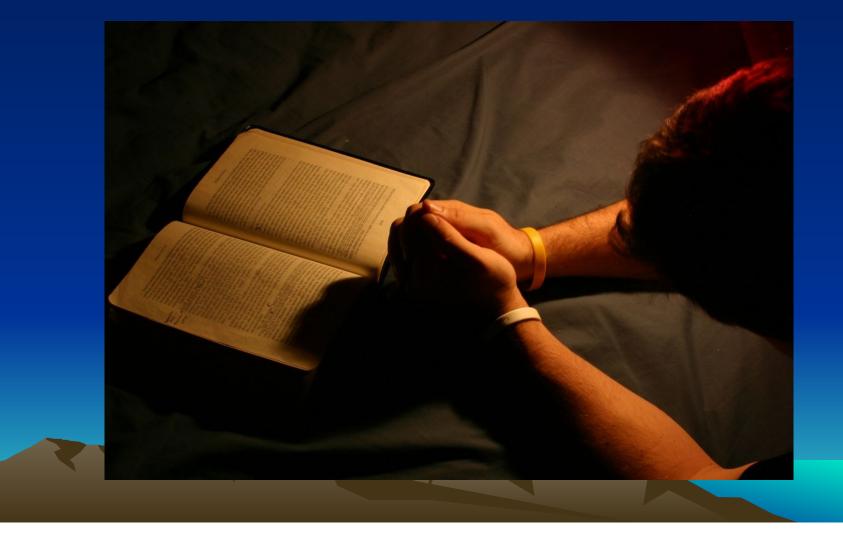
## 1. HUMILITY

Definition:- (Holman) The personal quality of being free from arrogance and pride and having an accurate estimate of one's worth

- A. A HUMBLE SPIRIT SHOWS ITSELF IN :-
  - 1. Recognition of one's own sinfulness before a Holy God Isa. 6:5
    - i. We tend to compare ourselves with other people The Scriptures actually call that Judgement.
  - 2. Obedience to God Deut. 8:2
  - Submission to God (2 Kings 22:19, 2 Chron 34:37)
  - 4. The Person with Humility does not look down on others
    - i. 'Do not judge', 'There is no condemnation for those in Christ Jesus'.

<u>ACTION:-</u> Less criticism/condemnation of others. Complete submission and obedience to God ('All to Jesus I surrender'), Accurate self assessment in God's presence.

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- <u>ACTION:-</u> a. Individual and Corporate prayer life of church constantly.
  - **b.** Intercessory prayer warriors (heart felt prayer for God's people and lost)
  - c. Prayer Chain, around the clock prayer etc.

Pray, pray, pray, connect, connect, connect

**1** Thessalonians 5:17

'Pray continually'



## 3. <u>SEEKING GOD & HIS WAYS</u>

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MATT 6:33 But <u>seek</u> first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. (also Luke 12:31) MATT 7:8 7 "Ask and it will be given to you; <u>seek and you will find;</u> knock and the door will be opened to you. 8 For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.

(also Luke 11:9)

Also Acts 15:17 Acts 17:27

**ROMANS 2:7-8** 7 To those who by persistence in doing good Seek glory, honour and immortality, he will give eternal life. 8 But for those who are self-seeking and who reject the truth and follow evil, there will be wrath and anger.

<u>**1 COR 14:1</u>** Follow the way of love and <u>eagerly desire</u> spiritual gifts.</u>

HEBREWS 11:5 And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

### 3. <u>SEEKING GOD & HIS WAYS</u> OT Verses

'seek my face' Ex 18:15; 32:11 DEUT 4:29 But if from there you seek the LORD your God, you will find him if you look for him with all your heart and with all your soul.

**<u>2 SAMUEL 21:1</u>** During the reign of David, there was a famine for three successive years; so David sought the face of the LORD.

<u>ACTION</u>.

- a. Seek an ever closer walk with God.
- **b.** Continued emphasis on Intimacy & manifestations of the Holy Spirit in worship
- c. Encouragement and accountability for Quiet time individually

d. Fasting with prayer.

## 4. <u>REPENTANCE</u>

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**1 JOHN 1:9** 8 If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. **9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.** 10 If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word has no place in our lives.

#### (links back to pride, judgement)

**ACTION:- a.** Being honest before God **individually** and confess to Him our sins. Be Truly sorry for these sins.

**b. Corporately** take responsibility for sins of the church, like Nehemiah. Own each others sin and ask for forgiveness.

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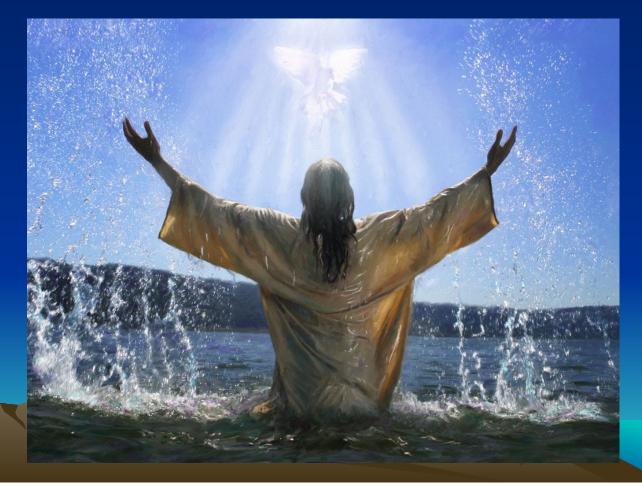
20 "My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, 21 <u>that all of them may be</u> <u>one</u>, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me. 22 I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one: 23 I in them and you in me. <u>May they be brought</u> <u>to complete unity to let the world know that you sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.</u>

<u>ACTION</u> a. Join with other Christians where & whenever we can.

- **b.** Join with other Christians in prayer
- c. Be agents of God's unity, not Satan's

divisiveness

## 6. FULLY ACCEPT MINISTRY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN US



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 ACTION:- a. Accept the period of history we are in. (ministry of Holy Spirit)
b. Simply accept the bible in this area.





# REVIVAL / LIFE / VICTORY

#### **HUMILITY**



Prayer:- connectedness with God

#### Seeking God

Repentance

**Holy Spirit** 

Unity









# WHAT STANDS IN THE WAY OF GOD'S VISION of REVIVAL?

REVIVAL / LIFE / VICTORY HUMILITY

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## UNREVIVED / DEATH / DEFEAT

## <u>PRIDE</u>

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Unrepentant, rebellion

Division, Disharmony, Discord

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# WHAT NEEDS to HAPPEN to see REVIVAL?



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SO IF CHRISTIANS WERE LIVING **OUT THESE PRINCIPLES, WE WOULD** HAVE A HUMBLE, PRAYERFUL, **CONNECTED, REPENTANT, UNITED, AND SPIRIT FILLED CHURCH IT WOULD BE VERY FRUITFUL. GOD WOULD HEAR US,** FORGIVE US, HEAL OUR LAND, AND THROUGH OUR UNITY THE WORLD WOULD SEE JESUS.

# WHY ARE WE NOT SEEING REVIVAL IN OUR CHURCH AND LARGELY

## ACROSS CHRISONDOM?

**JOHN 10:10** The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full.

#### **Resulting in Darkened Carnal Hearts**

1 COR 3:1-2 1 Brothers, I could not address you as spiritual but as worldly—mere infants in Christ. 2 I gave you milk, not solid food, for you were not yet ready for it. Indeed, you are still not ready. 3 You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarrelling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere men? 4 For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," are you not mere men?

# <u>WHY WE MUST FOLLOW THE</u> <u>STEPS TO REVIVAL?</u>

The Drought in our land. God's solution is His people living Godly lives. This is God's answer to Spiritual Drought This is how we begin to penetrate the kingdom of darkness, and the evil which has been unleashed in the world. These steps, starting with humility before God are the real power in winning lost souls to Christ

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