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## The "Ingredients" Necessary for, and the Evidence of True, Christian Revival

#### What a Widespread Revival is NOT

(Though opportunities toward revival may be present)

Crowds leaving the liberal movement to the conservative movement

More people becoming interested in spiritual things

More people coming "to church"

More people reading God's word or talking about Jesus

Crowds of people energetically singing worship songs

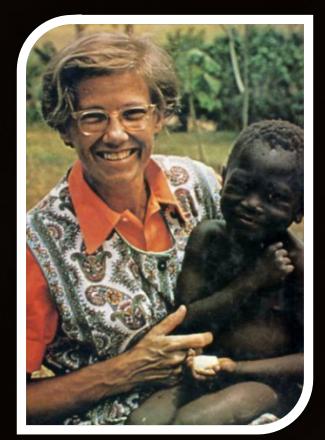
#### The two "ingredients" that have been found in ALL Widespread Revivals for Jesus Christ

Believers gathering together for an extended time of corporate prayer while meditating on God's word

Holy Spirit inspired confession and repentance that produces good fruit

Even knowing these ingredients are necessary, revival can't be forced. It is a work of the Holy Spirit.

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& the 1953 Congo Revival

## What were the disciples doing before the Holy Spirit came upon them with power?

Acts 1:14 (NASB<sub>1995</sub>) These all with one mind were continually devoting themselves to prayer, along with *the* women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers.

#### The first, Holy Spirit powered revival began...

Acts 2:36-38 (NKJV) <sup>36</sup> "Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ." <sup>37</sup> Now when they heard *this*, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men *and* brethren, what shall we do?" <sup>38</sup> Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

The message of the gospel always includes Jesus as the fulfilled Messiah and as Lord.

The right response to the gospel is to repent and identify with the Lord, in death, through baptism.

When the gospel falls on "good ground", hearts are deeply cut and ready to respond.

Do we have hearts that reflect ongoing repentance?

Acts 2:39-43 (LSB) 39 For the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off, as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself." <sup>40</sup> And with many other words he solemnly bore witness and kept on exhorting them, saying, "Be saved from this crooked generation!" 41 So then, those who had received his word were baptized; and that day there were added about three thousand souls. 42 And they were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. 43 And fear came upon every soul; and many wonders and signs were taking place through the apostles. Before revival, the truth must Revival only happens after steadfast prayer be heard and responded to. and repentance. When believers truly die The truth is that we're all lost with Christ and become new by the power of His resurrection, revival can spread. until we come to faith in Christ.

Do we have a collective heart that desires to see true revival in our time? Will we seek the Lord in steadfast prayer & wait upon His power?