**REVIVE US AGAIN O GOD**

**RENEW OUR SPIRITUAL DESIRE**

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**Ps 85:4** - Turn us, O God of our salvation, **6** - Wilt thou not **revive us again**: that thy people may rejoice in thee? **7** - Shew us thy mercy, O LORD, grant us thy salvation.

 Look at the word **Revive**: It means to Renew and Restore – bringing back new Life. To regain consciousness, to wake up and arouse, to rise up from lethargy, to be refreshed, resurrected out of a state of deadness, to make lively again, to be quickened, strengthened and renewed in body, mind, soul, and spirit. To be restored from a depressed, inactive and unused state and become active and flourish again! To be Revived from faintness. To have the Desire renewed and the enthusiasm back!

 In this Newsletter, I want to deal with a deep- down desire and Spiritual hunger in the heart for God’s presence and power! Before there is ever a revival, there must be a desire. Can you say – “Lord, create in me a Desire? Renew a desire in me to fast and pray. I’ll gladly push the plate back and let you be my bread and water today. Give me that yearning to seek your face and read your Holy Word! I’m tired of being down and depressed. Lord Jesus, I have let my trials squeeze the life out of me but I want to rise up and be alive again. I want my joy restored. Restore in my soul the joy of your great Salvation. I want my spiritual strength restored. O God, bring back to me a renewed vision. In the midst of all my problems and troubles and this world’s stress, Revive me!”

Jesus said in **Matt. 5:6** – Blessed are they which do Hunger and Thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. Can I tell my readers – don’t let up or forsake your altar, pray on!! Be not weary in well doing, you will surely reap if you faint not. Continue on in God’s good Grace, His touch and your victory lies just ahead. Keep pressing and believing and He shall renew your strength.

We must want the Lord more than anything else in this whole wide world. To find Him, you must reach for Him and search for Him with all your heart, with every atom of your being and fiber of your soul. You will have to long for Him in your inner-most being. There must be a Hunger and a Thirst. Ask God right now to create that Hunger in you. He will never create a hunger that He won’t satisfy. When He creates a thirst in your soul, He will surely satisfy and fill it!

**Psalm 63** – David the psalmist said: “O God, thou art my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land where no water is; to see thy power and thy glory, as I have seen thee in thy sanctuary. (Lord, it is surely plain to see that this is a dry time that we live in. There’s a Spiritual drought going on in this world and we need that living water.) **Psalm 38:9** – Lord, all my desire is before thee. (I really want you! JESUS, I want to serve you! You are my all and all - all that I ever want. This world has nothing but chaff to offer, but You are everything that I will ever need.)

**Psalm 73:25** – There is none upon earth that I desire beside thee. (People can have this world and its vain riches, they can have its entertainment and hollow happiness. They can have their worldly sinful friends, but GIVE ME JESUS!) **Psalm 42:2** – My soul thirsteth for God, the living God. (Let the world drink in the filth and polluted water from their broken cisterns, but give me that Pure satisfying Water of life!) **Isaiah 55: 1** – Ho, everyone that thirsteth, come ye to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye, buy and eat; yea, come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Eat ye that which is good and let your soul delight itself in fatness. Thank God **Isaiah 12:1** says – Therefore with Joy shall ye draw water out of the Wells of Salvation. (Come ye who are tired and weary, come ye thirsty and drink. There’s strength and renewing in this Water! God’s Wells are deep. They are fed by those wholesome crystal-clear nether springs. This Water can only be reached by going deep. You must go deeper in prayer, deeper in the Lord! Thank God you’ll know when you reach them! How thirsty are you? Come to these waters, there is a vast supply, come to these life giving waters, they never shall run dry.) **Psalm 143:6** - I stretch forth my hands unto thee: my soul thirsteth after thee. **Psalm 42:1** – As the Hart (deer) panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God. My soul thirsteth for the living God. (Hounds will run deer until they collapse with exhaustion)

**Hos. 10:12**- It is time to Seek the Lord, till He come and Rain righteousness upon you. Thank God, there is a Spiritual rain! God has already poured out the former rain but has promised to pour out the Latter Rain in this last day right before Jesus returns. There will be a Reviving, a Renewal in His church. The Holy Ghost Dove is now hovering over the Bride, arousing and stirring her, getting her ready. You can hear the sound of Angel wings. The Dove is fluttering over God’s praying people who are thirsting for Him. Jesus is coming for them who are loving and delighting themselves in Him.

**Isaiah 26:9** – With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek thee early. Are you thirsty dear reader? God has a refreshing and a renewing for your soul and spirit, therefore, He said in **Acts 3:19** – Repent and be converted that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of Refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord. (We need His Presence!) Do you feel like the grass of the field that has been cut down by the scythe and you feel like you will never rise again? Has circumstances brought you low and you feel like you can never grow and rise back to where you were? **Psalm 72:6** – He (The Holy Ghost) shall come down like rain upon the mown grass: as the showers that watereth the earth and the righteous shall flourish. (Do you want to live and thrive in these last days? You must seek this Fountain of living water, this Blessed Fountain of life! There’s Joy for the journey in this fountain. There is Hope in its Blessed Waters!)

 Without this kind of Spiritual thirst and desire, you will never be happy or satisfied. God only fills the hungry with His goodness! He only satisfies the longing soul. **John 7:37** – In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink. **38** – He that believeth on me as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water (This is the fulness of the indwelling Spirit of God).

 Jesus has that living Water, are you thirsty? Are you tired of all of the hum-drum of society? Are you tired of the dead and dull, barely getting by, low down and depressed feeling of being in a rut, with no drive or desire to really live? Is the excitement in your life gone and the vision faded? Is the Joy of serving Jesus gone in your heart? Does your Bible now lie dormant? Has your prayer life dwindled and you no longer have sweet communion with the Lord because of the cares of life?

Have you become so busy that you don’t spend time with Him anymore in His Word, meditating in His promises, and feeding on that Spiritual bread? Have you lost your song and the desire to truly Worship Him? Does your harp now hang on a willow with the strings silent? Have your praises dried up and that deep-down gladness of heart isn’t there like it use to be? Do you no longer desire to go to His House? Revive us again O God, that we may Rejoice in thee. Revive me Lord. Breathe into me new strength and a fresh desire – I don’t want to wither and die!

 **Jer. 17** – Cursed is the man whose heart departeth from the Lord. For he shall be like a heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land not inhabited. But Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord and whose Hope the Lord is! For he shall be like a tree planted by the Waters, and that spreadeth out her roots by the river, and shall not see when heat cometh, but her leaf shall be green; and shall not be careful (fearful and worried) in the year of drought, neither shall cease from yielding fruit. (The Heath spoken of above is a brown cedar tree that grows in inaccessible waste areas that are isolated in lonely crags of the mountains and dry deserts – out in the middle of nowhere!)

 O God, let the cry of our Hearts be – “Revive us again that we may rejoice in thee! Fill us Lord, fill our cups and run them over. Anoint our heads with fresh oil. Prepare a new table before me that I may come and dine. God, I want to serve you with gladness. I want to enter your gates with thanksgiving and into your courts with praise. I want to rejoice in you again! Lord, I want my desire back!” **Psalm 84** – My soul longeth, even fainteth for the courts of the Lord: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will be still praising thee. Blessed is the man whose strength is in thee; who passing through the valley of Baca (valley of weeping), make it a Well; the rain filleth the pools. They go from strength to strength. Thank God for the rain, thank Him for the refreshing and the renewing! There is strength in the Water!! The water and the rain is the symbol of the Spirit of God. We need Him! Send us the rain Lord. Send us the showers of blessing from on High. Fill our hearts, our wells, and our pools again!

 To you who have a heart for God and desire to serve Him and are going through a hard and dry time, the Lord is saying to you – “Hold on. Strengthen ye the weak hands, and confirm your feeble knees. Fear not but be strong, for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert. The parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty lands springs of water. The wilderness and the solitary place, and the desert shall bloom again.” God sees your desire, He sees the thirsty, He knows your longing. He saw you when you started out and He sees you now. “Ye shall drink of the Brook in the Way and ye shall lift up your head!” Dear Child, God will open rivers in High places, and Fountains in the midst of the valley.

Can you say like David – “Dear Lord, I’ve got only One desire in life and that is to dwell in your House, in your presence to behold your Honor and beauty and your Glory forever?” Let me pause and ask – Where are you in the Lord? Where is your desire? What do you long for more than anything else? Are you content where you are or do you want more of God and His spiritual blessings? Have you drifted from the Fountain and lost that close Divine Spiritual touch?

Remember when Jesus met the woman at the Well? At mid-day in the hottest part of the day, when everyone else was home and nobody was around, this lonely empty hearted woman came to draw water. She carried her dry empty pot to fill it with the natural water. That old dry pot was only a reflection of her sad and parched dry soul. When she got there, Jesus was waiting on her. He revealed Himself to her that day, saying – I know all about you. Dear soul, I know where you’ve been. You’re a lonely woman. You are not happy inside. You’ve had five husbands and the man you are now with is not your own. You are not satisfied dear soul. You are longing and searching for something to fill the void inside and give you peace. If you will only ask of me, I will give you Living Water! If you drink of this natural water in the well, you will thirst again. You will keep coming back to draw over and over again, but if you will drink of the Water that I give you, you will never thirst, but it will be in you a Well of Water springing up into everlasting life. She said to Jesus – Give me this water! The Lord Jesus gave her a drink that day, and put a well inside her soul that caused her to go running to tell everyone – Come and see this new man I met! O, He’s more than a man - I found the Messiah! I found the Saviour! I found the Living Fountain and the Maker of the Rain!! You can have it too! Hallelujah Jesus! God Bless My Readers!