

EMPLOYERS FOR CHRIST: REVIVAL IN THE WORKPLACE

The only thing that will turn the workplace, the church and our country around is a movement of God. What we need more than anything else is revival!

Definition of revival: A reawakening of faith or renewal of commitment to religion and a cleansing and empowerment of the Church by the Spirit of God to do the work of God.

Difference between revival and evangelism: Revival is reviving something which had life before. You cannot revive something which never lived, so revival is for Christians, for the Church. Evangelism is for the unbelievers who are dead in their trespasses and sins.

2 Koronika 7:14 / IziKronike 2 7:14 / 2 Chronicles 7:14 “if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.”

KEY POINT: GOD IS LOOKING FOR PEOPLE TO REVIVE

God addressed this scripture to His people but who are His people? God’s people are those people who have heard His invitation, who have accepted His invitation and who have declared God as the one and only true God. If you are part of God’s people then this scripture applies to you!

KEY POINT: GOD INVITES YOU TODAY TO BECOME PART OF HIS PEOPLE

Kutollo ya Johane 3:20 / IsAmbulo 3:20 / Revelation 3:20 “Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me.”

A prayer to accept His invitation: “Father, I know that I have broken your laws and my sins have separated me from you. I am truly sorry, and now I want to turn away from my past sinful life toward you. Please forgive me, and help me avoid sinning again. I believe that your son, Jesus Christ died for my sins, was raised from the dead, is alive, and hears my prayer. I invite Jesus to become the Lord of my life, to rule and reign in my heart from this day forward. Please send your Holy Spirit to help me obey You, and to do Your will for the rest of my life. In Jesus' name I pray, Amen.”

KEY POINT: GOD NOW REQUIRES FOUR THINGS FROM YOU

God requires you to do four things before you will receive three promises or blessings. You need to:

1. **Humble yourself:** This means to bend your knees before God and to surrender yourself, including your mind, body and soul, to God. By humbling yourself before God you now choose to willingly surrender your will to God. You are not in control anymore – God is now taking control of your whole life and you are now trusting Him!

Jakobo 4:10 / EkaJakobe 4:10 / James 4:10 “Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.”

2. **Pray:** This means to talk to God anytime and anywhere about anything. Your relationship with God cannot grow if you do not talk to Him, get to know Him and get to know His plan and will for your life.

Mateo 6:9-13 / NgokukaMathewu 6:9-13 / Matthew 6:9-13 “9“This, then, is how you should pray: “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, **10** your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. **11** Give us today our daily bread. **12** And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. **13** And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one.

3. **Seek His face:** This means to search for God sincerely and seriously. You need to have a desire to be in His presence. This desire needs to be so great that you will give up your favourite pass time to rather spend time with Him.

Mateo 7:7-8 / NgokukaMathewu 7:7-8 / Matthew 7:7-8 “7 “Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. **8** For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.”

4. **Turn from your wicked ways:** This means to turn away from the things that displeases or anger God. It displeases God and He hates it when you tell lies, are jealous of someone or their possessions, gossip about someone, steal from someone even when you are not caught, disrespect someone, use swear words, worship something or someone except Him and not love Him. You and I have all sinned and have all displeased God.

1 Johane 1:9 / 1 kaJohane 1:9 / 1 John 1:9 “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

God wants you to repent of these things that displeases and angers Him, to stop disobeying Him, to stop doing evil, to put away your wicked ways and choose to do good, live a blameless life and allow Him to bless you.

Baroma 12:2 / KwabaseRoma 12:2 / Romans 12:2 “Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is — his good, pleasing and perfect will.”

KEY POINT: GOD NOW GIVES YOU THREE PROMISES

God required you to do four things before you will receive three promises or blessings. These promises or blessings are:

1. **He will hear you from heaven:** This means that God will not just hear our prayers, but He will pay attention to them, He will act on them and He will consider how to answer them.

1 Petro 3:12 / 1 KaPetru 3:12 / 1 Peter 3:12 “For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer, but the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.”

2. **He will forgive your sins:** This means that God will spare you from the result and punishment of your sins which is eternal death and give you eternal life in His wonderful presence.

Baroma 6:23 / KwabaseRoma 6:23 / Romans 6:23 “For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

3. **He will heal our land:** This means that God will heal our land, our world, our country, our city, our community, our economy, our workplace and our family from the judgements He has brought upon it. The very thing that gives you the ability to care for yourself and your family, this is the land that God is referring to. God will provide for you and God will bless you in different ways because God wants you to have a good life.

Bafilipi 4:19 / KwabaseFilipi 4:19 / Philippians 4:19 “And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.”

KEY POINT: GOD’S DECLARATION TO US AND TO YOU PERSONALLY

God has promised to **provide** for us who are His people and He has promised to **supply** all our needs. All we need to do is to **repent**, **seek** Him with all our hearts in absolute **humility** and **trust** Him to deliver on the promises He has made.

KEY POINT: REVIVAL MUST BEGIN WITH GOD’S PEOPLE AND SPREAD INTO THE WORLD

Revival will and can become a reality! Revival in our world, in our country, in our city, in your community, in your family, in your workplace and in your personal life will and can become a reality! Are you willing to come before Him today and humble yourself, seek His face and turn from your wicked ways? Are you willing to be and do whatever it takes to see revival? If you are willing come before Him right now and take His hand on this road to revival.

REMEMBER:

1. God is looking for people to revive
2. God invites you today to become part of His people
3. God now requires four things from you
 - a. Humble yourself
 - b. Pray
 - c. Seek His face
 - d. Turn from your wicked ways
4. God now gives you three promises
 - a. He will hear you from heaven
 - b. He will forgive your sins
 - c. He will heal our land
5. God’s declaration to us and to you personally
6. Revival must begin with God’s people and spread into the world

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