

# Praying for Revival



# A Desire of God's People



-It hurts us when we see people  
drift away from God.



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-A passage from Psalms that we sometimes sing:

# Psalms 85:6

<sup>4</sup> Restore us, O God of our salvation,  
And cause Your indignation toward us  
to cease.

<sup>5</sup> Will You be angry with us forever?  
Will You prolong Your anger to all  
generations?

*\*All Scriptures from 1995 New American Standard*

# Psalms 85:6

<sup>6</sup> Will You not Yourself revive us again,  
That Your people may rejoice in You?

<sup>7</sup> Show us Your lovingkindness, O LORD,  
And grant us Your salvation.

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-Am I praying for it?



# Making It Our Prayer



# 1) Praying for those who share the gospel.





# Colossians 4:2-5

<sup>2</sup> Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert in it with *an attitude of* thanksgiving;

<sup>3</sup> praying at the same time for us as well, that God will open up to us a door for the word, so that we may speak forth the mystery of Christ, for which I have also been imprisoned;

# Colossians 4:2-5

<sup>4</sup> that I may make it clear in the way I ought to speak.

<sup>5</sup> Conduct yourselves with wisdom toward outsiders, making the most of the opportunity.

## 2) Praying for the lost.





# Romans 10:1

<sup>1</sup> Brethren, my heart's desire and my prayer to God for them is for *their* salvation.

<sup>2</sup> For I testify about them that they have a zeal for God, but not in accordance with knowledge.

# Matthew 9:36-38

<sup>36</sup> Seeing the people, He felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dispirited like sheep without a shepherd.

# Matthew 9:36-38

<sup>37</sup> Then He said to His disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few.

<sup>38</sup> Therefore beseech the Lord of the harvest to send out workers into His harvest.”



### 3) Praying for the church.



# Ephesians 3:14-21

<sup>14</sup> For this reason I bow my knees  
before the Father,

<sup>15</sup> from whom every family in heaven  
and on earth derives its name,

<sup>16</sup> that He would grant you, according  
to the riches of His glory, to  
be strengthened with power through  
His Spirit in the inner man,

# Ephesians 3:14-21

<sup>17</sup> so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; *and* that you, being rooted and grounded in love,  
<sup>18</sup> may be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth,



# Ephesians 3:14-21

<sup>19</sup> and to know the love of Christ which surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled up to all the fullness of God.

# Ephesians 3:14-21

<sup>20</sup> Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us,

<sup>21</sup> to Him *be* the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen.

# 4) Praying for the nation's heart.



# 1 Timothy 2:1-4

<sup>1</sup> First of all, then, I urge  
that entreaties *and* prayers,  
petitions *and* thanksgivings, be made  
on behalf of all men,

<sup>2</sup> for kings and all who are in authority,  
so that we may lead a tranquil and  
quiet life in all godliness and dignity.

# 1 Timothy 2:1-4

<sup>3</sup> This is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior,

<sup>4</sup> who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.



# 1 Chronicles 29:18

<sup>18</sup> O LORD, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Israel, our fathers, preserve this forever in the intentions of the heart of Your people, and direct their heart to You;

# 5) Praying for myself.



# Psalm 51:10

<sup>10</sup> Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
And renew a steadfast spirit within me.

# Mark 9:24

<sup>22</sup> It has often thrown him both into the fire and into the water to destroy him. But if You can do anything, take pity on us and help us!”

<sup>23</sup> And Jesus said to him, ““If You can?’ All things are possible to him who believes.”

# Mark 9:24

<sup>24</sup> Immediately the boy's father cried out and said, "I do believe; help my unbelief."





If we truly desire revival,  
we need God to lead the way;  
let's start with prayer!