



WORD OF FAITH CHURCH

Revival

RESTORATION OF

PRAISE & WORSHIP

30 - DAY CONSECRATION

October 19 - November 17, 2022

PHASE 6

THE CONSECRATED FAST

How long is the consecration?

This phase will begin November 20, 2022 and conclude, Saturday, November 26, 2022, at 5:00 a.m.

What about medications?

Please continue to take all medications as prescribed. It is vitally important that you do not stop taking your medications.

May I take vitamins and sports drinks (protein drinks)?

Yes, you may take a good multivitamin and a meal substitute drink. We discourage sports drinks due to the high sugar and sodium contents.

What is the key to a successful consecration or fast?

Prayer and study of the Scriptures. You are encouraged to spend time in private devotion (Prayer and Bible reading). ***See the attached scripture readings.*** You may also want to share in a time of corporate prayer with your spouse, family members or other believers.

What are the dietary restrictions being observed?

We are participating in a "**Daniel's Fast**". Meaning you are to limit yourself to one meal per day. You may snack fruits, vegetables, nuts. Please continue to take any vitamins, supplements and medications you are currently on. Those under medical care or supervision should seek to consult their physician and modify the fast by adding appropriate nutritional entrees or abstaining from other forms of activity such as television (Christian television is permitted), radio, etc.

What's for Dessert?

Fruit! No sweets or desserts during the Consecration.

Coffee, Soda

We encourage abstinence from coffee, coffee drinks and all sodas. However, a ginseng or herbal tea (hot or cold) with lemon is recommended. **PLEASE DRINK PLENTY OF WATER** (flavored with lemon or lime) – This serves as an excellent cleanser.

When may I eat?

You are encouraged to eat fruits and vegetables at least 2-3 times daily. The portions should be moderate. You are encouraged to eat a meal before 9pm.

What about Unmarried or Pre-Marital Physical Intimacy?

If this question is being considered, stop the activity and schedule an appointment with the Pastor.

What are the Corporate Prayer Days and Times?

- Morning Prayer: Sundays, Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 5:00 a.m.
- Noon Prayer: Tuesdays at 12:00 p.m.
- Evening Prayer: Fridays at 7:30 p.m.
- In case of emergencies, please call the office any time during office hours.
- Please ask God to give you a Prayer Partner or someone to be accountable to.

Revival

What is a Christian Revival?

Revival refers to a Spiritual reawakening, from a state of dormancy or stagnation, in the life of a Believer. It encompasses the resurfacing of a love for God, an appreciation of God's Holiness, a passion for His Word and His Church, a convicting awareness of personal and corporate sin, a spirit of humility, a desire for repentance and growth in Righteousness. Revival invigorates and sometimes deepens a Believer's faith, opening his or her eyes to the Truth in a fresh, new way.

It generally involves the connotation of a fresh start with a clean slate, marking a new beginning of a life lived in obedience to God. Revival breaks the charm and power of the world, which blinds the eyes of men, and generates both the will and power to live in the world, but not of the world.

In the USA, the first Revival, also called the First Great Awakening, produced an upsurge of devotion among Protestants, in the 1730s and 1740s, carving a permanent mark on American religion. It resulted from authoritative preaching, that deeply moved the Church members, with a convicting awareness of personal guilt and the awesome nature of Salvation through Christ. Breaking away from dry ritual and rote ceremony, the Great Awakening made Christianity intensely personal to the average person, as it should be, by creating a deep emotional need, for relationship with Christ.

Revival, in many respects, replicates the Believer's experience when he or she is saved. It is initiated by a prompting of the Holy Spirit, creating an awareness of something missing or wrong in the Believer's life that can only be restored, by God. In turn, the Christian must respond from the heart, acknowledging his or her needs. Then, in a powerful way, the Holy Spirit draws back the veil the world has cast over the Truth, allowing the Believers to fully see themselves in comparison to God's Majesty and Holiness. Obviously, such comparisons bring great humility, but also great Awe of God and His truly Amazing Grace (Isaiah 6:5). Unlike the original conversion experience that brings about a new relationship to God, however, Revival represents a restoration of fellowship with God, the relationship having been retained even though the Believer had pulled away for a time.

God, through His Holy Spirit, calls us to Revival in several situations. Christ's letters to the seven Churches reveal some circumstances that may necessitate Revival. In the letter to

Ephesus, Christ praised the Church for their perseverance and discernment, but He stated that they had forsaken their first love (Revelation 2:4-5). Many times, as the excitement of acceptance to Christ grows cold, we lose the zeal that we had at first. We become bogged down in the ritual, going through the motions, but we no longer experience the joy of serving Christ.

Revival helps restore that first Love and Passion for Christ. Revelation 2:10-11 refers to the Church at Smyrna, which was suffering intense persecution. The cares and worries of life can beat us down, leaving us emotionally, physically, and spiritually exhausted. Revival can lift us up to new hope and faith.

CONQUERING HINDERING SPIRITS

Hindering spirits are poised and would like nothing more than to catch you off guard. Beware. Be vigilant. Be prayerful.

Hindering spirits work to steal, kill, and destroy by thwarting your progress toward a goal or destination. They prevent you from moving forward. They delay, impede, hamper, and hold you back. Your purpose is to do God's Will and you find ridiculous obstacles at every turn. Everything is moving more slowly than anticipated. It's frustrating.

The problem is many Believers don't discern the hindering spirit in operation. They may bind the spirit of delay but don't dig deeper into the demonic hierarchy to understand that the spirit of delay is an offspring spirit and is perhaps working with hindering spirits. Spirits often tag team in this manner, and only the most discerning can sever the root of the attack, because only the most discerning can see it.

Hindering Spirits Working Against You

Paul the Apostle experienced hindering spirits in his Ministry. In 1 Thessalonians 2:17-18, he wrote these words to one of the Churches he planted, "But we, brethren, having been taken away from you for a short time in presence, not in heart, endeavored more eagerly to see your face with great desire. **Therefore, we wanted to come to you – even I, Paul, time and again – but Satan hindered us."**

Other translations say, “Satan, blocked our way” or “Satan, obstructed us” or “Satan, always stopped us” or “Satan, would not let us.” The idea is the same. Hindering spirits, under the ultimate command of Satan, keep us from moving, in our assignment, obtaining our breakthrough, or otherwise glorifying God with our lives, by fulfilling our purpose.

We also see hindering spirits at work, in the Book of Ezra, when the Israelites were working to rebuild the Temple, Ezra 4:4-5 (The Voice) reveals, “To intimidate the returning Jews from building, the people of the land made the returning exiles afraid to build (v5) and bribed counselors, to hinder the Jews’ efforts throughout the reigns of Cyrus and Darius, the King of Persia.”

As Scripture illustrates, hindering spirits can work through people. Beyond Ezra’s opposition, we see the Apostle John calling out Diotrefes, because “He assails us with lies and deceit. As if that were not enough, he does not welcome the traveling Missionaries into his home, instead, he hinders any who do so and expels them from the Church” (3 John 10)

Prayers against Hindering Spirits

Let’s pray against these hindering spirits. We should start with repentance, for not discerning the hindering spirits – or for tolerating them, because of apathy, frustration or just being overwhelmed.

Three Steps to Conquering Hindering Spirits

Break the Word Curses

Pray:

“Father, I cancel every word curse of (division, fear, lies, deception, jealousy, pride, confusion, delay, distraction, etc.) that I have spoken over myself or that others have spoken over me in the Name and Blood of Jesus Christ. I break all agreement with those word curses and declare that they will have no power over me from this day forth. I purpose in my heart to speak and agree with Words of Life and not death.”

Replace the wrong self-image with God's Image of you

In the past, we had a defeated self-image. Being afraid to go after the Promises of God. Thankfully, God got a hold of me, and that ungodly self-image doesn't line up with me anymore. I recognize that what I allowed to hinder me was my agreement with that fearful cowering position of the enemy. I must change the picture I see of myself and let the Word of God paint a new image of me. I am more than a conqueror!

We can't become who God says we are unless we can see ourselves, as He sees us. We will become what we imagine whether that image is positive or negative. If we think we are failures, we will be. We must deal with our imagination and get it to line up with God's opinion of us. We can't let what people say or our wrong agreements determine our identity or our future.

Spending time in God's Word Daily

The only way to know who you are in Jesus Christ is to meditate daily on God's Word. The book of Ephesians and Colossians are good places to start. Ask God to reveal His Truth to you, through the Power of the Holy Spirit before you begin reading your Bible each day. You would never starve your body of food intentionally, so why starve your spirit the food of God's Word!

Awake, awake, Deborah; awake, awake, utter a song, lead thy captivity (all temptations and everything not like You, Oh God) captive. Jud v12.

Sunday

Father, we make a joyful noise unto You, Oh King, and Praise You, for You are “Magnificent”, and we will continue to serve You with gladness, my Sovereign One. I will rejoice for You have made me glad. Reign forever Oh, King, Reign forever. Psalms 100:1-5; 34:1-9.

Monday

Oh, Compassionate One, thank you for bringing us into the land that You thinketh on, a land of hills and valleys, the land of milk and honey. For You have been abundantly Gracious and we will Praise You forever more. I praise you for meeting every spiritual, emotional, and natural need for your people, who will forever praise You as the Only Living God!!! Psalm 111:1-5.

Tuesday

Thank You Savior, that we are not captive or sold under sin, because of Your Mercy, Grace and forgiving Powers, but free in our Lord and Savior, Christ Jesus!!! Thank you for being my perfect Redeemer, my Counselor, my Creator, An Eternal Father, my very Present Help in time of need. Psalm 95:1-7.

Wednesday

I thank You for Your Joy, for being my Strength. Thank you for making me, a sheep of Your Pasture and being my God. Thank You Savior for not one Promise of Your Word being broken. Thank You, the God Who control everything is my God!! Psalm 92:1-8; 7:17.

Thursday

Father, I praise You today because, You are Good. I will enter Your gates with thanksgiving and into Your courts with praise. I will rejoice, for You have made me Glad. I praise You for a desire to Pray and seek You Face, my Righteous. I Praise You for convictions and a teachable Heart! Ps 103:1-6.

Friday

Father, Thank You for being my Provider, my Refuge, and my Healer. You are my Creator, my Healer and the All Powerful One. Ps 89:5-8; 14-18.

Saturday

Father, thank You for Your Son, the Prince of Peace, the Compassionate One, the Savior of the World, the Light of the World, the Rose of Sharon, the Perfect Lamb and the Root of David. Ps 139:13-17.

Oh God!!!! Psalms 95:1-7; 92:1-8; 7:17; 103:1-6.