

SEEKING HIM PRAYER GUIDE

PREPARING MY HEART *for Revival*

DO YOU NEED REVIVAL?

Maybe you know for sure that your heart needs to be revived. It's why you're participating in this conference, but you don't know where to begin. This inventory will help you pinpoint a personal starting point.

Maybe you're walking well with the Lord, and you're not sure you need revival. This inventory will allow God's Spirit to open the eyes of your heart to anything you might be missing. Take some time here and there throughout this weekend, and even into the beginning of next week, to prayerfully walk through these reflection questions and Scriptures.

1. Genuine salvation (2 Cor. 5:17)

- a. Was there a time in my life when I genuinely repented of (was aware of and turned away from) my sin?
- b. Was there a time when I placed all my trust in Jesus Christ alone to save me?
- c. Was there ever a time when I completely surrendered to Jesus Christ as the Master and Lord of my life?

2. God's Word (Ps. 119:97, 140)

- a. Do I have a desire to read and meditate on the Word of God?
- b. Is my personal devotional life consistent and meaningful?
- c. Do I seek to apply God's Word to my everyday life?

3. Humility (Isa. 57:15)

- a. Am I quick to recognize and agree with God in confession when I have sinned?
- b. Am I quick to admit to others when I am wrong?
- c. Do I count others and their interests to be more significant than myself and my interests?

4. Obedience (1 Sam. 15:22; Heb. 13:17)

- a. Am I quick to obey when God shows me something in His Word that pleases (or displeases) Him?
- b. Do I obey the human authorities God has placed over my life?



5. Pure heart (1 John 1:9)

- a. Do I keep short sin accounts with God by confessing and forsaking all known sin as He convicts?
- b. Am I willing to give up all sin for God?
- c. Do I love and dwell on things that are true, pure, and good?

6. Clear conscience (Acts 24:16)

- a. Do I seek forgiveness from those I wrong or offend?
- b. Is my conscience clear with every person? (Can I honestly say, “There is no one I have ever wronged or offended in any way and not gone back to that person and sought his forgiveness and made it right”?)

7. Priorities (Matt. 6:33)

- a. Does my schedule reveal that God is first in my life?
- b. Do my spending habits reveal that God is first in my life?

8. Values (Col. 3:2)

- a. Do I love what God loves and hate what God hates?
- b. Do I value the things that please God (for example: studying His Word, praying, giving, sharing the gospel with others, acts of mercy)?
- c. Are my affections and goals fixed on eternal values?

9. Sacrifice (Phil. 3:7-8)

- a. Am I willing to sacrifice whatever is necessary to see God move in my life and church (time, convenience, comfort, reputation, pleasure, habits, and so on)?
- b. Is my life characterized by generosity and sacrifice for the sake of Jesus and others?

10. Spirit control (Gal. 5:22-25; Eph. 5:18-21)

- a. Am I allowing Jesus to be Lord of every area of my life?
- b. Am I allowing the Holy Spirit to fill (control) my life each day?
- c. Is there growing evidence of the fruit of the Spirit being produced in my life?

11. “First love” (Phil. 1:21, 23)

- a. Am I as devoted to Jesus as I have been in the past?
- b. Am I attentive to Jesus, filled with His joy and peace, and making Him the object of my affection?



12. Motives (Matt. 10:28; Acts 5:29)

- a. Am I more concerned about what God thinks about my life than about what others think?
- b. Would I pray, read my Bible, give, and serve as much if nobody but God ever noticed?
- c. Am I more concerned about pleasing God than I am about being accepted by and appreciated by others?

13. Moral purity (Eph. 5:3–4)

- a. Do I keep my mind free from entertainment or input that could stimulate fantasy or thoughts that are not morally pure?
- b. Are my conversations and behavior pure and in accordance with God's Word?

14. Forgiveness (Col. 3:12–13)

- a. Do I seek to resolve relational conflicts as soon as possible?
- b. Am I quick to bear with and forgive those who wrong or hurt me?

15. Evangelism (Luke 24:47–48; Rom. 9:3)

- a. Do I have a burden for those who do not know or follow Jesus?
- b. Am I alert to opportunities to share the gospel with non-believers?

16. Prayer (1 Tim. 2:1)

- a. Am I faithful in praying for the needs of others?
- b. Do I pray for true revival in my life, my church, my nation, and our world?

17. Genuine love (1 Cor. 13:1–8)

- a. Do I exhibit the characteristics of true love in my relationships with others?
- b. Do I seek the good of others above my own interests?
- c. Do I treat all others as valuable image-bearers of God?

18. Compassion and kindness (1 Cor. 13:1–8)

- a. Do I demonstrate a heart for those who are needy, vulnerable, or disenfranchised?
- b. Do I reach out to practically meet those needs, even if it is costly or those in need are in a different demographic or socio-economic status than me?

The Preparing My Heart For Revival inventory is taken from *Seeking Him: Experiencing the Joy of Personal Revival*. This classic study by Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth and Tim Grissom has been refreshed and is available in the Resource Center.