

Walking in Revival : Practical Guide to Christlikeness Col. 3:1-17

What is “Revival” for The Gathering?

A powerful move of God’s presence that restores us back to the Biblical standard of living like Jesus.

What is the End Result of Revival?

Permanent and sustainable life-change by the power of God’s Word and God’s Spirit to live like Jesus on the earth today.

How Long will Revival Last?

If we are obedient to Him in this time of revival, then the impact and momentum of revival can be sustained until will we see Him face to face.

What Does it Look Like to Be Walking in Personal Revival And Ushering That Revival For Others? Col. 3:1-17

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“Therefore”...Because You Are...

- “Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.” Colossians 3:12
- Our Father offers for us to be permanently changed into the person that He created us to be. He commands us to lay down our old self and step into the potential of who we can be through His great love and power.
- This is only possible because of what God has already done for us:
 1. He chose us before we chose Him!
 2. He has made us holy - free from the bondage of sin through Jesus’ blood!
 3. He dearly loves us!
- In response to God’s love, we can now trade in who we used to be in exchange for who we dream of being in God.

“Clothe Yourself”

- “Therefore...clothe yourselves...” Colossians 3:12
- God does not force us to be like Jesus. He does not override our will and make us become the glorious potential that He purchased for each of us.
- We have a choice. “Clothe yourselves...”

- Our loving Father has done everything necessary to save us, set us free, adopt us into His family, and purchase an amazing potential to be like Jesus.
- Now it's our choice. Will we choose to receive it? Will we lay down the old self, full of selfishness and pride? Will we put on what He has purchased?
- This is not a one-time choice. It is a choice we make every day, and often multiple times a day.
- Let's begin everyday by getting on our knees, letting go of who we are in our flesh, and putting on the image of God that we were created to wear.

Clothe Yourselves with Compassion

- “Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion...” Colossians 3:12
- “Compassion” is an English translation of two Greek words; “splanchnon” (splangk-non) and “oiktirmos” (oyk-tir-mos).
- “splanchnon” = “the spleen, intestines, bowels” (Strong’s Concordance)
- “oiktirmos” = inward affection, tender mercy, pity” (Strong’s Concordance)
- The literal translation of “compassion” is “the bowels of mercy.”

- God is telling us to lay down the pride, anger, judgment and criticism of our fleshly nature; and put on the genuine inward affection and tender mercy that comes from the core of our being that's been transformed to be like God.
- This is why receiving a life-changing and overflowing revelation of God's love is absolutely necessary for genuine Christ-followers.

Why Put on Compassion?

1. Compassion is who God is. (Exodus 34:6)
2. Compassion is what Jesus displayed. (Matthew 9:36)
3. Compassion draws people to the love of God. (Luke 7:13)
4. Truth without compassion misrepresents God and turns people away. (Luke 11:46)
5. Lack of compassion wounds and scars the ones we love. (Colossians 4:6)
6. Obedience to put on compassion increases our intimacy with God. (John 14:21,23)
7. A compassionate lifestyle ministers to Jesus personally. (Matthew 25:40)

How to Put on Compassion?

1. Be transformed by true salvation through Jesus' blood. (Romans 6:8-14)
2. Genuinely receive God's love for you personally. (Romans 5:5)
3. Be baptized and filled with the Holy Spirit. (Matthew 3:11, Ephesians 5:18)
4. Change the way you think by consistently reading the Bible with the Spirit. (Romans 12:1-2, 2 Timothy 3:16)
5. Repent for a lack of compassion, and receive God's forgiveness. (1 John 1:9)
6. Confess a lack of compassion to a disciple-maker or spiritual mentor so that they can pray for you, encourage you, and hold you accountable. (James 5:16, 2 Timothy 2:22)
7. Begin everyday with a death to the earthly nature and being filled with the love, Spirit, and character of God. (Romans 5:5, 6:11, Galatians 2:20, 6:14, Ephesians 3:19, 5:18)