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But revival involves more than dealing with our sin before God; we must also clear our accounts on earth. It is now time to clear your own conscience by seeking forgiveness from everyone you have offended, and making restitution wherever possible.

Then extend free forgiveness to anyone who has wronged you, as difficult as that may be. As Jesus has freely forgiven us, He commands that we forgive! When we do, we will see His freedom and power released in our lives.

Pray through Acts 24:16; Matthew 6:14-15; and Ephesians 4:31-32.

Align Your Life with God's Word

"Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly" (Colossians 3:16)—immerse yourself in the Scriptures. Study the character of God—seek His face. Consider carefully the commands of Christ—follow in His steps. Heed the warnings the Bible issues. Submit to God as your King, and love Him as your Father. His law is perfect and will revive your soul.

Pray through Psalm 119.

Pray Ferently for Revival

Demonstrate your desperation and desire for revival to come—plead, fast, grieve, seek, pray! Pray for your church, your city, your nation; pray alone and with others. Let your heart be broken for the things that break God's heart. Pray for repentance, forgiveness, restoration, truth, and a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit!

Pray through Isaiah 64 and Joel 2:12-32.

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Pray through James 4:6-10 and Revelation 3:14-21.

Get Honest About Your Sin

God cannot bless with His presence those who are holding onto their sin. Open your heart to the probing of the Holy Spirit; let Him reveal what aspects of your life need to change and what sins need to be confessed. Renounce all of your sins; hold none of them back. Let God's cleansing power forgive, restore, and transform you.

Pray through Isaiah 59:2; Psalm 51; and 1 John 1:9.

Repent

Repentance means turning from everything I know to be sin today and anything God may show me to be sinful in the future. In other words, repentance is a thorough and complete change of mind about the sin in my life. It also involves full surrender to Jesus Christ as the Lord of my decisions, thoughts, behaviors, and priorities. Repentance requires that I make a clean break with sin; that I rid my life of sinful influence and instead pursue absolute, uncompromised purity in the power of the Holy Spirit. Begin by confessing the sins He revealed in the previous section.

Pray through Ezekiel 18:30-32; Psalm 139:23-24; and Acts 26:20.



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