REVIVAL

Leader Conversation Guide – Revival (Part IV)

Main Idea

This week Pastor Curt finished a 2-part message in our Revival Series on what it looks like to be marked by the presence of God. A new Barna research poll revealed that 44% of Americans "need" God in their lives. There is a stirring happening in the hearts of people today and that's why we need revival! Moses is a beautiful example of what it means to model for, and mentor, the next generation in pursuing the presence of God.

Because of Christ and our faith in Him, we can now come boldly and confidently into God's presence.

EPHESIANS 3:12 NLT

Make It Practical - Marked by His Presence:

- <u>We are growing in our awareness of His nearness.</u> God's presence is closer to us than the very breath that we breathe. Psalm 139:7-8 says, "Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there."
- <u>We are growing in our hunger for God.</u> Being marked by His presence is evident by our desire to be closer to Him. Psalm 63:1 reads, "O God, You are my God; I shall seek You earnestly; My soul thirsts for You, my flesh yearns for You, In a dry and weary land where there is no water." Growing in the Lord is not just a passing feeling, it's a constant desire.
- <u>We are transformed by His presence</u>. 2 Corinthians 3:17-18 says in The Message, "And when God is personally present, a living Spirit, that old, constricting legislation is recognized as obsolete. We're free of it! All of us! Nothing between us and God, our faces shining with the brightness of his face. And so we are transfigured much like the Messiah, our lives gradually becoming brighter and more beautiful as God enters our lives and we become like him."
- <u>We are people of power</u>. We have full access to the Spirit of God. Philippians 4:13 reminds us, "I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through him who gives me strength."

Talk About It

- What part of this message impacted you the most?
- How have you experienced God's power in your life?
- What are you doing to grow in your desire for God?

Revival is simply a response to your hunger, for God's Presence in your life.

Prayer

Father, thank You that You are always with us. God, would you show us Your glory, today? Reveal Your presence to us in the midst of all things. Let our lives show that You are with us. Holy Spirit, guide us to live out our lives to please You in all we do. Our desire is to give You the best of ourselves. We hunger and long for Your presence in our lives. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Leader Tip

Encourage Group members to take a Next Step. Whether it's through Growth Track, or an Outreach opportunity. We exist to help you take your Next Step in your relationship with Jesus Christ. Don't waste the gifts and opportunities God has given you to know Him better.