

A Vision for Revival April 7 | Group Discussion Guide

Begin with prayer, catching up on your week, and answering some questions (15 minutes)

Open up by having someone pray for your group time together.

- Spend a few moments in silent reflection before answering the following question: Coming out of Easter, are there any takeaways from this past season of reflection on Jesus' death and resurrection?
- Next, take a few more silent moments to reflect before asking and answering the following questions:
 - How much room do you have in your life for God right now?
 - How much *more* room would you like to see God have in your life?
 - What are you hoping to get out of a series on "Revival" and "Making Room for God to Move?"

Discuss the sermon, the topic, and Ezekiel 37 (30 minutes)

You may not get through all the questions, but that's okay. Feel free to read these ahead of time and pick a couple that fit your group best!

- **Read Ezekiel 37.** What do we learn about revival from this chapter? What gets revived? Why was this important for the prophet Ezekiel to see? How might this vision of revival bring you hope for places you need God to move in your own life?
- In his sermon, Dan talked about the "The Progression of Revival." Read through the following steps, look up the verses, and then ask the questions below:
 - Regeneration God brings people into His family (John 3:3)
 - Restoration God grows people in the faith (1 Peter 5:10)
 - Reformation God transforms our relationships (Malachi 4:6)
 - Renewal God transforms our community/city (Acts 19:20)
 - Revival God transforms our society (1 Kings 18:19)
 - Reawakening God transforms a generation (Nehemiah 9:38)

Which of these steps have you seen brought about in your own life? Explain. Are there any you're skeptical of? Why or why not?

- **Read Habakkuk 3:2**. Are there any steps in the "Progression of Revival" that you personally long for and that you'd like to see God "repeat in our day?"
- As you think about spending the next several weeks thinking about "Revival," where are you desiring for God to move in your life? Explain.
- What personal transformations in your own life need to be made with the help of the Holy Spirit to see the kind of Revival we are longing for?

Pray for revival (20 minutes)

Spend a few minutes as a group praying through the revival progression. Have one person pray for each "step" out loud.

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Finally, when finished, close your time by praying generally for your whole group to be the kinds of people whom God might use to bring Revival about in our community!

Finish with logistics and prayer requests (10 minutes)

- 1. **Inform your group** about our upcoming 24/7 Prayer initiative! You can find out more information at <u>https://www.thecreek.org/revival</u>.
- 2. Finish your group session by sharing prayer requests and praying.