

MESSAGE SUMMARY

INTRODUCTION

SP Daniel Foo opened with explaining what revival looks like. It is being spiritually vibrant in our living, spiritually hot for God, spiritually rich and spiritually strong in the Lord. We need to experience ongoing personal revival. Job 14:7-9 states, "For there is hope for a tree, if it be cut down, that it will sprout again, and that its shoots will not cease. Though its root grow old in the earth, and its stump die in the soil, yet at the scent of water it will bud and put out branches like a young plant." There will be personal revival when the Lord brings streams of living waters to flow from within us to the "dead" areas in our lives.

HOW TO BE SPIRITUALLY WET

(A) We must continually thirst for the Water of the Word (Ephesians 5:26-27)

1. We must build a strong Word-life, so that we can develop the spirit of faith in our lives

This is the principle of believing and speaking. 2 Corinthians 4:13 states, "Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak." Our faith is important in helping us to experience God's presence, peace, provision, protection and power. We must regularly partake the Word to receive faith. Faith comes from hearing the Word. The Word is spiritual food for our spirit-man. There are many avenues and equipping classes available for us to know God better through His Word. Partaking the Word is a process where we intentionally avail ourselves to hear, read, study, memorise and meditate on scriptures. As we believe, we must speak forth what we believe (Prov 18:21).

2. We must experience the Living Word to develop faith convictions

When we continually stand on the Word and experience God coming through for us, we grow in our faith convictions. There is a sense of being deeply loved by God and knowing that we can always come to God at any time daily. We walk with a guilt-free and no condemnation relationship with God. We know that nothing happens by chance. We are always protected and amply supplied through our Lord Jesus Christ. We must experience the Word to develop faith convictions. We will be assured that God is our Provider, Healer and Protector as well as be able to experience the peace of God.

3. We must also have a working knowledge of the Word

Ephesians 6:17 says that we should wield the Sword of the Spirit. The applications that SP shared include knowing:

- The Word of His Grace, which can build us up and give us an inheritance among all those who are sanctified (Acts 20:32)
- The Word of His Power which sustains all things (Heb 1:3)
- The Word which is like fire and a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces (Jer 23:29)

When we are equipped with His Word, we are called to be with the Lord, preach the Gospel, heal the sick and cast out demons. The Lord has given us two keys to reach out to the Lost:

- A. Relational Evangelism (Luke 10:5-9)
- B. Strategic Prayers (2 Cor 4:4; 10:3-5)

We are reminded to pray and command as a Priest and King.

(B) We must continually thirst for an intimate relationship with the Holy Spirit

We must continually learn to be instructed, taught and guided by the Holy Spirit. This involves total surrender so that we can go with the flow (Heb 8:10; 10:16). We are to walk and be led by the Spirit as well as to keep in step with the Spirit as we live by Him (Gal 5:16, 18, 25). The Holy Spirit is our Along-Sider, Instructor, Teacher, Guide and Coach. He is also the Spirit of Wisdom and Revelation; the Spirit of Power, Love and a Sound Mind; the Spirit of Grace and Supplication; the Spirit of Holiness; the Seven-fold Spirit of God; and the Spirit of Truth. We must also be sensitive to the Holy Spirit and not quench Him. In addition, we must walk in continual obedience and not grieve Him (e.g. through carnal thoughts, bitter root judgments, toxic emotions, disobedience and ungodly habits and attitudes).

We must be continually filled with the Holy Spirit so that we can experience these outcomes:

- Overflow with FAITH (2 Cor 4:13)
- Overflow with HOPE (Rom 15:13)
- Overflow with LOVE (Eph 3:14-20; Rom 5:5)

CONCLUSION

To achieve personal revival, we must overcome the evil one, the world and self-life. The Lord Jesus invites us to stand on the Water of the Word/Promises of God and to keep believing so that streams of living waters of the Holy Spirit will flow from within us to the "dead" areas in our lives.

In Isaiah 57:15, the Lord said that He will revive the spirit of the humble and the heart of the contrite. Humble ourselves before the Lord and allow Him to be the Lord of our lives. As we shift our focus to trust and have faith in Him, we can be assured that we will see the goodness and glory of God. He will bless us beyond measure. His grace will overflow into our lives and we will overflow with faith, hope and love.

QUESTIONS

1. Think about a past experience where you experienced a personal revival. Share with the CG how it brought about a deeper faith conviction and intimacy with the Holy Spirit.

2. What are the key handles for us to experience personal revival and be spiritually wet? Why is it important for us to have a working knowledge of the Word and to thirst for the Spirit?

3. Prayerfully reflect on your spiritual walk with the Lord in 2022. Are there areas in your life that require a personal revival? How can you experience God in greater measure?