

WHEN GOD SHOWS UP – LESSON 2

Lesson 2: Developing a Burden for Revival

Discussion Questions:

1. Have you ever felt called by God to pray for or about revival either individually or as a church? If yes, what led to this burden? If no, why do you think it hasn't been a priority?
2. Is the awareness of the "presence of God" front and center in your life? Explain.
3. Has God ever shown up in a powerful way in your church? If so, describe what that was like. If not, what do you think is keeping God from moving in your midst?
4. Read Hosea 10:12 out loud. How could the picture of breaking up unplowed ground change your view about how to practice repentance?
5. Martin Lloyd-Jones stated, "The thirst for God and the longing for the exhibition of His glory are the essential preliminaries to revival." What would it take for you to develop this kind of thirst for God?
6. Dave mentioned in the Lesson 2 Video that praying Scripture can help you to pray in a way that lines up with God's heart and purposes. Is praying the Word of God a spiritual practice that you have engaged in before? If yes, how has it helped your prayer life? If no, would you consider praying in this way? Why or why

not? *You may wish to re-visit this question again after you have prayed through Scripture in the Spend Time in Prayer section of this lesson.

In light of the persecution of the Israelites mentioned in Psalm 79, spend some time talking about the persecuted Church around the world as it relates to revival or spiritual awakening:

7. What have you heard, read, or otherwise noticed about believers and the spiritual and numerical growth of the Church as a result of persecution?

8. Consider nations like China, Iran, Nigeria and others. How do you think persecution fuels the desperate kind of praying that attracts the attention of God?

9. Could this kind of persecution come to our nation? Why or why not?

10. Do you think persecution may be what is needed to wake up the Church in America? Why or why not?

11. How would or do you feel about being persecuted for your faith in Christ?