WHEN GOD SHOWS UP – LESSON 3

Lesson 3: Personal Revival

Discussion Questions:

1. Discuss Stephen Olford's definition of revival: "Revival is ultimately Christ Himself, seen, felt, heard, living, active, moving in and through His Body on earth." Even though Olford is describing revival in the Church, does this seem to be an adequate description of what personal revival could look like in your life? Why or why not? What would you add or how would you change this definition to make it more complete?

2. If you can, describe a time in your life when God was very present, but you were unaware of His presence and involvement until later.

3. What would it take for you to walk in the awareness of Colossians 1:27: "To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory."? Have you ever really paid attention to the biblical fact that Christ is IN you? Explain your answer.

4. How would you compare Colossians 1:27 about Christ in you, the hope of glory to Galatians 2:20: "I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."? What does Galatians 2:20 add to your understanding of Christ IN you?

5. How would walking in a better awareness of Christ in you help you to be more aware of sin?

6. Dave said in his book, When God Shows Up, pg. 27: "What a difference it would make in our lives if we truly lived out the truth of Christ in us, the hope of glory; if we were walking daily with

Jesus – aware of His presence. His love, His strength, and His direction." How do you think this truth would change your faith walk? Describe how the awareness of each of the following would affect how you live: His presence? His love? His strength? His direction?

7. What is the role of prayer in the "awareness" of Christ in you?

8. On page 32 of When God Shows Up, Dave states, "True repentance never stays merely at the stage of confessing sin and desiring forgiveness. It moves us beyond that to a desire for a pure heart...a longing to stay out of sin...to walk in victory." King David asked God to create a new heart in him and to renew a steadfast spirit within him (Psalm 51:10). Describe the struggle for yourself, or someone you know to move beyond sin. How could the prayer of David be a game changer for you or this other person in order to win the battle over sin?

9. What prayer triggers could you use to "narrow the gaps of unawareness" of Christ in you?

10. Dave mentioned that when we walk in awareness we look at sin differently. Do you agree or disagree and why?

11. Consider Moses and his "tent of meeting" with God. What does "meeting" with God look like for you currently, and what does it mean to you? Describe how you might create your own personal tent of meeting with the Father if this is a new concept for you.

12. After considering David's words in Psalm 51, describe how your own sin may have blocked the flow of the Holy Spirit in your life.