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Feb. 10th, 2019

Introduction, The Disciples' Unique Situation

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- **Joel 2:28-32 {Turn and Read}**

First, Prepare for Revival by Obedience

- **1Sam.15:22** And Samuel said, "Has the Lord as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the Lord? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to listen than the fat of rams.
- **Heb.5:8** Although he, Christ, was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered.
- **Phil.2:8** And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.
- **Obedience requires** _____
- **Heb.12:1-2** Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.
- **Obedience requires** _____
- **Col.3:12-17 {Turn & Read}**

Second, Prepare for Revival with Spiritual Unity

- **Ephesians 4:1-3** I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ² with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³ eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Titus 3:10-11 As for a person who stirs up division, after warning him once and then twice, have nothing more to do with him, ¹¹ knowing that such a person is warped and sinful; he is self-condemned.

Third, Prepare for Revival by Devotion to Prayer

- **Luke 11:13** "If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"
- **James 5:16-17** Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth.
- **Mark 1:35-38 {turn & read}**
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- **Luke 6:12-13** "In these days he went out to the mountain to pray, and all night he continued in prayer to God. ¹³ And when day came, he called his disciples & chose... twelve, whom he named apostles..."
- **Luke 22:39-44¹** And he withdrew from them about a stone's throw, and knelt down and prayed, ⁴² saying, "Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me. Nevertheless, not my will, but yours, be done." ⁴³ And there appeared to him an angel from heaven, strengthening him. ⁴⁴ And being in agony he prayed more earnestly; and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground.

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