

REVIVAL
THE MESSAGE OF
THE MINOR PROPHETS

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**LOOKING FOR
REVIVAL IN ALL
THE RIGHT
PLACES!**

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I. One Extraordinary Night!

II. Now What, LORD?

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- 1. Don't confuse ceremony and formalism with what I really seek.**

“In the fourth year of King Darius, the word of the Lord came to Zechariah on the fourth day of the ninth month, which is Chislev. Now the people

~ Zechariah 7:1-7

**of Bethel had sent Sharezer
and Regem-melech and
their men to entreat the
favor of the Lord, saying to
the priests of the house of
the Lord of hosts and the**

~ Zechariah 7:1-7

**prophets, “Should I weep
and abstain in the fifth
month, as I have done for so
many years?” Then the
word of the Lord of hosts
came to me: “Say to all**

~ Zechariah 7:1-7

**the people of the land and
the priests, When you
fasted and mourned in the
fifth month and in the
seventh, for these seventy
years, was it for me that**

~ Zechariah 7:1-7

**you fasted? And when you
eat and when you drink, do
you not eat for yourselves
and drink for
yourselves? Were not these
the words that the Lord
proclaimed** Jeremiah 7:1-7

**by the former prophets,
when Jerusalem was
inhabited and prosperous,
with her cities around her,
and the South and the
lowland were inhabited?”**

~ Zechariah 7:1-7

**““Why have we fasted, and
you see it not?**

**Why have we humbled
ourselves, and you take no
knowledge of it?’**

~ Isaiah 58:3-9

**Behold, in the day of your
fast you seek your own
pleasure,
and oppress all your
workers.**

~ Isaiah 58:3-9

**Behold, you fast only to
quarrel and to fight
and to hit with a wicked
fist.**

~ Isaiah 58:3-9

**Fasting like yours this day
will not make your voice
to be heard on high.**

~ Isaiah 58:3-9

**Is such the fast that I
choose,
a day for a person to
humble himself?**

~ Isaiah 58:3-9

**Is it to bow down his head
like a reed,
and to spread sackcloth
and ashes under him?**

~ Isaiah 58:3-9

**Will you call this a fast,
and a day acceptable to
the Lord?**

~ Isaiah 58:3-9

**“Is not this the fast that I
choose:
to loose the bonds of
wickedness,
to undo the straps of the
yoke,**

~ Isaiah 58:3-9

**to let the oppressed[b] go
free,
and to break every yoke?**

~ Isaiah 58:3-9

**Is it not to share your bread
with the hungry
and bring the homeless
poor into your house;**

~ Isaiah 58:3-9

**when you see the naked, to
cover him,
and not to hide yourself
from your own flesh?**

~ Isaiah 58:3-9

**Then shall your light break
forth like the dawn,
and your healing shall
spring up speedily;**

~ Isaiah 58:3-9

**your righteousness shall go
before you;
the glory of the Lord shall
be your rear guard.**

~ Isaiah 58:3-9

**Then you shall call, and the
Lord will answer;
you shall cry, and he will
say, 'Here I am.'**

~ Isaiah 58:3-9

**If you take away the yoke
from your midst,
the pointing of the finger,
and speaking
wickedness...”**

~ Isaiah 58:3-9

**“I hate, I despise your
feasts,
and I take no delight in
your solemn assemblies.**

~ Amos 5:21-24

**Even though you offer me
your burnt offerings and
grain offerings,
I will not accept them;**

~ Amos 5:21-24

**and the peace offerings of
your fattened animals,
I will not look upon them.**

~ Amos 5:21-24

**Take away from me the
noise of your songs;
to the melody of your
harps I will not listen.**

~ Amos 5:21-24

**But let justice roll down like
waters,
and righteousness like an
ever-flowing stream.”**

~ Amos 5:21-24

2. Don't miss revival because it looks ordinary. Get back to the basics and I will revive and bless you!

**“There’s nothing new to say
on the subject. Don’t you
still have the message of
the earlier prophets from
the time when Jerusalem
was still a thriving, bustling**

~ Zechariah 7:8-12

**city and the outlying
countryside, the Negev and
Shephelah, was populated?**

**Well, the message hasn't
changed. God-of-the-Angel-
Armies said then and says**

~ Zechariah 7:8-12

**now: “Treat one another
justly. Love your
neighbors. Be
compassionate with each
other. Don’t take advantage
of widows, orphans,**

~ Zechariah 7:8-12

**visitors, and the poor.
Don't plot and scheme
against one another—that's
evil.' "But did your
ancestors listen? No, they
set their jaws in defiance.**

~ Zechariah 7:8-12

**They shut their ears. They
steeled themselves against
God's revelation and the
Spirit-filled sermons
preached by the earlier
prophets by order**

~ Zechariah 7:8-12

**of God-of-the-Angel-Armies.
And God became angry,
really angry, because he
told them everything plainly
and they wouldn't listen to a
word he said.”**

~ Zechariah 7:8-12

**“Thus says the Lord of
hosts: “Let your hands be
strong, you who in these
days have been hearing
these words from the mouth
of the prophets who were**

~ Zechariah 8:9-17

**present on the day that the
foundation of the house of
the Lord of hosts was laid,
that the temple might be
built...For thus says the
Lord of hosts: “As I**

~ Zechariah 8:9-17

**purposed to bring disaster
to you when your fathers
provoked me to wrath, and I
did not relent, says the Lord
of hosts, so again have I
purposed in these days to**

~ Zechariah 8:9-17

**bring good to Jerusalem
and to the house of Judah;
fear not. These are the
things that you shall do:
Speak the truth to one
another; render in your**

~ Zechariah 8:9-17

**gates judgments that are
true and make for peace; do
not devise evil in your
hearts against one another,
and love no false oath, for
all these things I hate,**

~ Zechariah 8:9-17

declares the Lord.”

~ Zechariah 8:9-17

“You say, ‘But these things are so basic. Everybody knows that we should spend time with other Christians, read the Bible, work at a job.’ I ask, Who

~ James Boice

**said anything about
obedience being exciting?
Who said that the necessary
elements of a sound and
growing Christian
experience are thrilling?**

~ James Boice

I confess that there are often exciting moments in following God. Some things are thrilling. But some things are more often simply hard work.”

~ James Boice

**3. I want you feasting more
than fasting!**

**“And the word of the Lord
of hosts came to me,
saying, “Thus says the Lord
of hosts: The fast of the
fourth month and the fast of
the fifth and the fast of the**

~ Zechariah 8:18-19

**seventh and the fast of the
tenth shall be to the house
of Judah seasons of joy and
gladness and cheerful
feasts. Therefore love truth
and peace.”**

~ Zechariah 8:18-19

III. How Will You Seek Revival?

