

- "...you do not love me now as you did at first. Think how far you have fallen! Turn from your sins and do what you did at first. If you don't turn from your sins, I will come to you and take your lamp-stand from its place. Revelation 2:4-5 (GNT)
- Revival doesn't make us more religious it makes us more in love with Jesus.
- A Jesus revolution changes what I **allow** in my life and what I **love** in my life.

At that time many will turn away from the faith and will betray and hate each other, and many false prophets will appear and deceive many people. Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come. Matthew 24:10-14 (NIV)

Definition of Revival:

Revival is a sovereign work of God in which believers are lifted out of spiritual indifference and worldliness into a life that pleases Jesus and reflects Jesus.

Revival is:

Personally renewing my commitment to God.

Personally **restoring** my desire for God.

Personally **refreshing** my passion for God.

Personally **recognizing** the sin in my life.

And when he comes, he will convict the world of its sin, and of God's righteousness, and of the coming judgment. John 16:8 (NLT)

Personally **repenting** (turning) from my sin.

Revival in <u>America</u> begins with revival in <u>me</u>.

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. 2 Chronicles 7:14 (NIV)

• A Jesus revolution happens when Jesus is **Lord** of my life.

The Lordship of Jesus means:

Absolute <u>power</u> and <u>authority</u> belong to Jesus.

You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. Acts 10:36 (NIV)

On his robe at his thigh was written this title: King of all kings and Lord of all lords. Revelation 19:16(NLT)

Then he got up and rebuked the winds and the waves, and it was completely calm. The men were amazed and asked, "What kind of man is this? Even the winds and the waves obey him!" Matthew 8:26-27 (NIV)

"I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out." Luke 19:40 (NIV)

Lordship requires my devotion to Jesus.

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. Romans 10:9

...at the name of Jesus <u>every knee will bow</u>, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and <u>every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord</u>, to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2:10-11 (NIV)

Lordship requires <u>obedience</u> to Jesus.

Some recognized the Lordship of Jesus and **obeyed** Him.

"Why do you call me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say? Luke 6:46 (NIV)

There is no Lordship when there is no **obedience**.

Action Steps:

- Confess the Lordship of Jesus in your life.
- Act on the Lordship of Jesus in your life.



TO CREATIVELY LOVE AND LEAD PEOPLE IN A GROWING RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS.

Questions that can be used in Connection Groups:

These questions also work well for personal time with God.

- What scripture and/or point spoke most to you from the Talk on Sunday? Explain why?
- · Were you alive during the Jesus revolution? What do you remember about it?
- Do you think that Christians tend to be afraid of revival? Why do you think so? Do you think that most Christians are content with their current experience of Jesus?
- Talk about the definition of revival. Is there anything else revival does in Christians lives?
- · Why does revival in America begin with with revival in me? Do you agree with that statement?
- Do you think that Christians understand what Lordship means? Do you think our understanding of Jesus' Lordship affects how we live for Him? Explain.
- What does it mean for Jesus to have absolute power and authority in our lives?
- · What does it mean for Jesus to receive our devotion?
- Why is obedience necessary for us to experience the Lordship of Jesus?

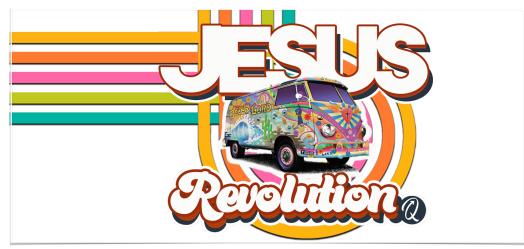
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Today's Talk..



The Lordship of Jesus

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