



Psalm 119:153-160 “Revive Me According To Your Word”

Intro:

Throughout Psalm 119, we have repeatedly seen the psalmist cry out, “Revive me according to Your word” (vv. 25, 107). In earlier sections, that cry flowed from deep sorrow and emotional anguish. But here in verses 153–160, the emphasis shifts slightly. The psalmist is still afflicted, yet the deeper concern now seems to be his spiritual health — he is crying out for **spiritual revival**. If you look at the previous sections, this makes sense. He has wrestled with double-mindedness (113–120), asked the Lord to make His face shine upon him again (129–136), and cried out with all his heart for help with obedience (145–152). It makes sense that he now recognizes his need for a spiritual revival. Revival is not emotional excitement or momentary inspiration. It is the renewing work of God that flows from and is sustained by the Word — and ultimately rooted in the Gospel itself.

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*“Look upon my affliction and **rescue me**, For I do not forget Your law. **Plead my cause** and **redeem me**; **Revive me** according to Your word. Salvation is far from the wicked, For they do not seek Your statutes. Great are Your mercies, O Lord; **Revive me** according to Your ordinances.”*

1. **The Foundation of Revival: The Gospel**

Revival can only truly begin when we gaze upon the Gospel. No shallow, emotional, inspirational speech will bring real revival to our lives. WE NEED THE GOSPEL. The wicked are far from salvation because they refuse to come to the Gospel. They refuse to submit and surrender to God’s Word. Yet if they would seek God’s Word, repent and believe the Gospel, they would be saved and revived. For those who are already believers but have strayed from the Lord, revival also begins at the Gospel. We must return to the foundation of the Gospel and fix our eyes again on Christ’s redeeming work. We must remember that our life is no longer our own — we have been bought at a heavy price: THE BLOOD OF CHRIST. We belong to Him. Every area of our lives belongs to Him, and we are called to live wholly for His glory. And in a beautiful and perhaps prophetic way, we see that foundation laid out right here in this passage.

- *Looked Upon Our Affliction*

God did not ignore our misery and enslavement to sin. He looked upon our affliction to the fullest extent by sending His Son. In Christ, God entered our suffering, bore our sin, and saw our condition not with indifference but with compassion. **Read Psalm 102:19-20**

- *Rescued, Redeemed and Revived Us*

Through the cross, Jesus *rescued* us from sin’s dominion, *redeemed* us at the cost of His blood, and brought us from spiritual death to life. *“He made Him who knew no sin to be sin, on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God”*. 2 Corinthians 5:21.

- *Pleads Our Cause*

Christ now stands as our Advocate and great High Priest. When we stumble, when accusations rise, when we feel spiritually weak, our security does not rest in our consistency but in His finished work. He intercedes for us (1 John 2:1; Hebrews 7:25), and our righteousness is as secure as the risen Christ seated at the right hand of the Father.

V.157-158

*“Many are my persecutors and my adversaries, **Yet I do not turn aside from Your testimonies**. I behold the treacherous and loathe them, **Because they do not keep Your word.**”*

2. **The Threat To Revival: Treacherous Religion**

Many adversaries surround him. But what stands out is the word “treacherous.” This speaks not merely of open rebellion, but of people who know God’s law yet twist it to their own convenience. This reminds us that the greatest threat to revival is not always open atheism or obvious wickedness, but Religion. False self help distortion of the truth — knowing God’s Word but twisting it, appearing devoted but refusing submission. Scripture repeatedly warns that people can honor God with their lips while their hearts remain far from Him (Isaiah 29:13; Matthew 15:8–9). Revival declines when God’s Word is diluted, reinterpreted to

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fit cultural comfort, or reduced to moral self-help. When obedience is replaced with performance and grace is replaced with human effort, man is exalted instead of Christ. The psalmist refuses to turn aside from God's testimonies. In the face of treachery and compromise, he clings more tightly to the Word, knowing the only the Word of God is the source of Revival. **Read 2 Timothy 4:1-4**

V.159-160

*"Consider how I love Your precepts; **Revive me, O Lord, according to Your lovingkindness. The sum of Your word is truth.** And every one of Your righteous ordinances is everlasting."*

3. The Fuel of Revival: The WHOLE Truth

Once again, the Psalmist appeals not to his effort but to God's lovingkindness for revival. He then ends with a powerful declaration: *"The sum of Your word is truth."* Not parts of it. Not selected verses. The entirety of it. Every command, every promise, every ordinance is everlasting. This teaches us something crucial: Scripture cannot be isolated or manipulated. **Scripture interprets Scripture. It always harmonizes because it has one divine Author. True spiritual revival honors the whole counsel of God,** not just the portions that comfort us. We do not pick and choose. We submit. If revival is to be real and lasting, **it must be rooted in the entirety of God's Word and centered on the glory of Jesus Christ, whom the Word ultimately reveals.** True change occurs when we let the entirety of God Word have full dominion and authority in our lives.

- When we look at Scripture, we see that true revival has always come from rededication and submission to the Word of God. One of the clearest examples is in the days of King Josiah (2 Kings 22–23). The Book of the Law had been neglected and forgotten in the temple. But when it was found and read aloud, Josiah tore his clothes in repentance. The Word exposed sin, and revival followed. Idols were destroyed. The covenant was renewed. Reform came not because of emotion or political reasons, but because the Word of God was rediscovered and obeyed. Revival came when the Word was restored to its rightful place.

Conclusion and Main Idea:

Jesus stepped into a nation full of religious activity but spiritual deadness. The Pharisees knew the Scriptures, yet twisted them. They honored God with their lips while their hearts were far from Him (Matt. 15:8–9). That is exactly what Psalm 119 describes when it speaks of the treacherous who do not keep God's Word. Religious appearance without true submission. When Jesus came, He did not bring revival through emotional excitement or political reform. **He brought revival through the Gospel.** He looked upon our affliction. He rescued us from sin. He redeemed us by His blood. He revived us through His resurrection. *The greatest revival ever witnessed was not merely reform — it was resurrection life breaking into spiritually dead hearts.* In Acts 2, when the Spirit was poured out and three thousand souls were saved, revival flowed *through the Word*, through the Gospel! Peter stood and preached the Scriptures. Christ was exalted. Hearts were pierced. True revival has always been rooted in the Word of God and centered on the finished work of Christ. **If we long for revival, it will not come through shallow inspiration or religious performance. It will come when we return to Christ and to His Word.** Revival begins at the cross, is sustained by Scripture, and is secured by the risen Savior.

Memory Verse:

"Look upon my affliction and rescue me, For I do not forget Your law. Plead my cause and redeem me; Revive me according to Your word." Psalms 119:153-154 NASB1995



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