Revive Us Again – Luke 9:23

Focal Truth: Spiritual revival comes in self-denial

Observations

1. The demand for self – denial – Lk. 9:23
2. The persistence of pride of life
3. Self – love produces self – salvation
4. Self – love has no respect for God or others
5. Self – love is self – conceit! It is the world’s way!
6. Self – love chokes the life of the Sprit
7. 2 Tim. 3:1 – in the last days difficult times will come, men will be lovers of self
8. The marks of Self as Lord
9. No control over desires
10. Impatience with others who do things contrary to us
11. Looks for salvation that requires no sacrifice
12. Self – promotion for praise of others
13. The demand of self – denial – Luke 9:23 He must deny himself
14. Renouncing self
15. Rejecting self
16. Disregarding self
17. Hatred of self – John 12:25 – he who loves his life loses it, & he who hates his life in this world will keep it to life eternal
18. The daily death of self – denial – Lk 9:23
19. Gal. 2:20 – I have been crucified with Christ & it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me & the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave himself for me.
20. Rom. 8:13 – if you live by the Spirit you are putting to death the deeds of the body, you will live
21. Revival comes in my life when I renounce my self-centeredness, self – love, self – conceit, selfish desires, self – promotion
22. Matt. 10:38 – he who does not take his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me
23. The daily desire of self – denial
24. We serve Christ in self – denial – John 12:26 if anyone serves me, he must follow me
25. We follow Christ in complete surrender of our priorities – Luke 9:61 – I will follow you, Lord but first permit me to say good-bye to those at hom
26. Luke 14:26 – if anyone comes to Me & does not hate his own father, & mother & wife & children & brothers & sisters, yes & even his own life, he cannot be my disciple
27. Phil 2:7 -8 – He emptied Himself – the Lord Jesus is the supreme example of self –denial

Things to Remember

1. He that knows himself best loves himself least
2. Self – seeking desires everything for their own glory & satisfaction
3. Self – denial puts on the new self in Christ – Eph. 4:24
4. Watch for self –deceit about self –love - 1 Cor. 10:12
5. Daily self –examination leads to self –denial - Lam. 3:40
6. Many know much, but few know themselves!

Daily Use

1. Admit & confess to God your obsession with yourself
2. Seek yourself in Christ – Col. 3:3
3. Rest in God’s care for you regardless of your circumstances
4. Live in the Spirit and you will not practice self – love – Gal. 5:16