

he midst of the year is ordained a season of Revival among God's people, as it is written, "A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet.....O Lord, REVIVE thy work in the MIDST OF THE YEARS, in the midst of the years make known (your power); in wrath remember mercy." (Hab. 3:1-2/4-12)

Note that what we call a revival is a manifestation of divine visitation, ordained for our supernatural change of story, as it is written, "The Lord thy God in the midst of thee is mighty;

...... Behold, at that time I will undo all that afflict thee: ......and I will get them praise and fame in every land where they have been put to shame....... for I will make you a name and a praise among all people of the earth..." (Zph. 3:17-20)

## First, what is the Midst of the Year?

The Word God rightly defines the midst of the year in another book of revival, the book of Haggai, as the 'sixth' and 'seventh' months of the year:

- Hag. 1:1 "In the second year of Darius the king, in the SIXTH MONTH, in the first day of the month, came the word of the Lord by Haggai the prophet....."
- Hag. 2:1 "In the SEVENTH MONTH, in the one and twentieth day of the month, came the word of the Lord by the prophet Haggai....."

This is obvious because June and July leaves us with five months on either side of the divide.

While chapter one of the book of Haggai centers on God's turnaround agenda for His people by charging us to engage in the service of the Lord, as a platform for our supernatural change of story. Haggai chapter two on the other hand, focuses on a Great Revival as the outcome of our spiritual engagement in serving God and the interest of His kingdom, as it is written, "thus saith the Lord of hosts;... I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land; and I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory... The silver is mine, and the gold is mine... The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the Lord of hosts." (Hag. 2:3-9)

## **But what is a Revival?**

- Revival can be defined as a manifestation of divine visitation among God's people Zph. 3:17-20/Luk. 19:44
- When God's people begin to take pleasure in the things of the Kingdom as a way of life- Hag. 1:14/Mat. 6:33
- When divine visitation amongst the people begins to translate into supernatural turnaround testimonies – Gen. 50:24/Luk. 7:13-16
- When the spirit of prayer and supplication is poured out upon God's people with intensity and fervency on the prayer altar – Zch. 12:10/Rom. 8:26
- When multitudes begin to flow into the church Mic. 4:1-2/Act. 13:44

## However, we should understand that:

Every move of God is ordained to move God's people

- forward Hab. 3:2/17-19/Jer. 30:19-21
- Every revival secures divine Favour for engaging believers – Psa. 102:13-15/Luk. 22:35
- Every revival advances the destiny of nations - Isa. 61:1-3/4-7/Isa. 62:6-7
- Every revival confers dominion upon God's people Pro. 11:30/Pro. 8:15-16
- Every revival triggers the flow of signs, wonders a m o n g t h e p e o p l e - A c t s 4:23-33/ Acts 5:12-15

Furthermore, we understand that a lot of work is required of anyone that desires to be a full partaker of the blessings that accompany any move of the Spirit. As it is written, "Yet now be strong, O Zerubbabel, saith the Lord; and be strong, O Joshua, son of Josedech, the high priest; and be strong, all ye people of the land, saith the Lord, AND WORK" (Hag. 2:4). This demand is also retreated in the revival that broke out in the days of king Asa when God said, "Be ye strong therefore, and let not your hands be weak: for YOUR WORK shall be rewarded" (2 Chr. 15:7)

## But what kind of work one may ask? It is a Three-fold task:

- First, Praying Kingdom Advancement Prayer Mat. 6:6/9-10
- ✓ Praying for salvation of souls Isa. 66:7-8/Psa. 2:8
- ✓ Praying against the gates of hell from holding down the people from getting saved – Luk. 11:21-22/ Matt. 16:18
- ✓ Praying for the establishment of new converts in the faith – Gal. 4:19/Col. 4:12
- .....and many more....
- Secondly, Reaching out to the lost for their salvation - In 15:16
- ✓ Through personal or partnership soul winning endeavours – Jn. 15:1-2/2 Cor. 5:17-20
- ✓ Follow up of members and new convers Ezk. 34: 7-12/17-22
- ✓ Through engagement in Church-based outreaches Mak. 16:15-20/ Mak. 13:37
- .....and many more
- Thirdly, serving God with our resources in promoting

the interest of the kingdom – Zch. 1:17/Luk. 7:2-6

- ✓ Every move of God requires huge financial resources - Hag. 2:3-8
- ✓ Every believer must engage with this as covenant to avoid frustration, devastation and wasted labour among others – Hag. 1:3-12/ Mat. 6:21/24
- ✓ When Solomon was in love with God, he continued to flourish, but as he turned his heart away from God, building 'temples' for the gods and goddess of his wives, God turned His back on him and everything started crashing 1 Kgs 3-10/ 1 Kgs 11:1-11/14

Therefore, by the prompting of the Holy Spirit, between June 1 and July 26, 2020, we shall be embarking on extensive kingdom advancement endeavours, so as to make the most of this prophetic season for our supernatural turnaround both as a church and as individuals.

Furthermore, as we all know, every revival is birthed and sustained on the altar of prayer. A fast is hereby proclaimed for the first 7 days, of this prophetic season, that is, June 1 to 7, 2020, across our church network worldwide. This is to set the stage for the raw manifestation of the power of God in our midst all through this midst of the year and the outcome shall be supernatural breakthroughs, both for the church, in terms of growth and expansion and for us as individuals.

As the Lord lives, every local assembly in this Commission shall be minimum twice her size on or before July 26, 2020, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Everyone that engages his heart in this work, shall also return with testimonies of supernatural change of story, as God continues to reward everyone according to his labour – 1 Cor. 3:6-8/ 2 Chr. 15:1-7/12-15

Finally, the Lord shall surely visit us and bring us into our land that is flowing with milk and honey. Amen and amen – Gen. 50:24

Welcome to your prophetic season of divine visitation!

Jesus is Lord!

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