

***Sermon Title: "A Prayer for Revival, Part 2"***

**Date: August 13, 2023 - Psalm 85:8-13**

**Central Idea: We honor God by our confidence in His fresh moving of the Holy Spirit.**

**Introduction: Having offered earnest intercession for the afflicted and repentant nation, the psalmist in the true spirit of faith, awaits the response. When we believe God hears us, it is but natural that we should be eager to hear Him. We must learn to wait for God's reply. Too often we do not expect Him to reply at all! We honor God by our confidence in Him.**

**I. Praise for God's Past Forgiveness    Psalm 85:1-3**

**1. God has shown favor. v. 1**

**2. God has shown forgiveness. v.2**

**"Iniquity" means "perverseness, bent, crooked."**

**3. God has shown anger. v.3**

**II. Prayer for Renewed Life    Psalm 85:4-7**

**1. Repentance is needed. vv.4-5**

**"Turn (restore) us."**

**2. Revival is needed. vv.6-7**

**"Revive" means "to live again, to be renewed in life."**

**III. Promise of Peace    Psalm 85:8-9**

**1. Psalmist expresses confidence. v.8**

**2. Psalmist anticipates salvation. v.9**

**IV. Principles of Salvation    Psalm 85:10-13**

**1. Four virtues vv.10-11**

**(1) Mercy in the \_\_\_\_\_ of salvation**

**(2) Truth in the \_\_\_\_\_ of salvation**

**(3) Righteousness in the \_\_\_\_\_ of salvation**

**(4) Peace in the \_\_\_\_\_ of salvation**

**2. Restoration of land and people vv.12-13**

**Conclusion: The psalm ends on a note which anticipates the coming millennial reign when the Lord will come and establish righteousness on earth. The psalmist describes a world of holiness and harmony. In the meantime, Christ wishes to establish that reign of righteousness in our hearts.**