



Cutting Edge Commitments

Revive Our Hearts

At *Revive Our Hearts*, we're committed to serving the Lord with excellence. These twelve values are an important part of our ministry DNA and guide how we operate in all areas.

1. The Lordship of Christ and the Authority of Scripture

Colossians 1:18; Psalm 119:128

Our lives and ministry must be built on a non-negotiable, lifetime commitment to the lordship of Christ and the authority of Scripture. His Word must determine our philosophy, direct our decision making, and reign supreme over every area of our lives.

2. The Ministry of the Spirit

1 Corinthians 2:4-5

Dependence on human intellect and understanding, or our natural gifts and abilities, will produce natural, explainable results. Only as we are dependent on and directed and energized by the Holy Spirit will the supernatural power of God be manifested.

3. Life Message

1 Thessalonians 1:5; 2:10

Someone has said, "A message prepared in a mind reaches minds; a message prepared in a heart reaches hearts; but a message prepared in a life reaches and changes lives." The power of God to change lives is released through the truth of God's Word illustrated in lives. Therefore our lives must be living demonstrations of the reality and the truths of His Word.

4. Faithfulness

1 Corinthians 3:12-14; 4:1-2

God has not called us to be "successful," as the world measures success, but to be faithful. It is not our responsibility to promote ourselves or the outward, visible growth of our ministry. If we will take care of the "depth" of our lives, God will take care of the "breadth" of our ministry.

5. Priorities

1 Timothy 3:2-7

As servants of Christ, we must adopt, safeguard, and demonstrate biblical priorities in our personal lives. Our highest priorities include being the right person (our walk with God), the right partner (our marriage relationship), and the right parent. Effective, fruitful ministry flows out of a life built on scriptural priorities.

6. The Message of the Cross

1 Corinthians 1:18, 23-24

The teaching of the cross is central to the ministry of revival, because death brings life! Through Christ's death on the cross, we receive eternal life. Through our death with Him, we enter into His abundant life. The cross is painful; it strips us of self-sufficiency and pride, and puts to death all our fleshly desires, drives, and appetites. But as we go through the cross, the resurrection life of Jesus is released in us, and we become wellsprings of life to others.

7. Walking by Faith

Luke 1:45; Romans 4:20-21; Hebrews 11:6

Without faith it is impossible to please God. Faith in the person and power of God, and faith that acts on the principles of His Word, will move us into the realm of the supernatural.

8. Servant's Heart

Matthew 20:27-28; 2 Corinthians 4:5; Philippians 2:5-8

We have been called to be the servants of Christ and of His people. To have a servant's heart means to esteem all others as better than ourselves, to maintain a learner's heart and a teachable spirit, and to seek to make everyone around us a success.

9. "Living/Giving"

Luke 6:38; 2 Corinthians 9:6-8

God blesses us materially, not so that we can accumulate or hoard, but so that we can be channels of His blessing to others. Both our personal lives and our ministry ought to be characterized by a lifestyle of sacrificial giving to meet the needs of others and to further the kingdom of Christ.

10. Spirit of Excellence

Psalms 8:9; Colossians 3:23-24

As children of God, our lives and service ought to reflect the excellence of His name and works. He is worthy of the very best we can offer Him. If something is worth doing, we ought to do it with all our heart, as unto the Lord.

11. Vision for Revival

Psalms 85:6; Isaiah 64; 2 Chronicles 7:14

The purpose for which God raised up this ministry is to glorify Him by giving birth to and/or nurturing a revival among God's people in North America, that will result in a spiritual awakening among the lost.

12. Prayer

Jeremiah 29:12-14; Ephesians 6:18

Nothing of eternal value will be accomplished apart from prayer. There have been many revivals without great preaching, impressive programs, or extensive promotion. But there has never been a revival that was not birthed, cradled, and nurtured in fervent, soul-travailing prayer. Genuine revival cannot be worked up; it must be prayed down. We must never get too busy to give ourselves to the ministry of prayer.