Awaken a Generation to Life, to Purpose, to Passion.

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Day 1: Restoration of Original Purpose

Spiritual Foundations, Redemptive Blueprints

From the founding of the very first college in America in 1636, even up to 1860, nearly every college campus in our nation was founded by Christian denominations or by individuals who avowed a religious purpose.¹

Why is this significant? The original purpose of any institution gives insight into its original calling or design. No matter what its present state or condition, when we understand the original purposes of God over a people, place or institution, we now possess the redemptive blueprints to see that people, place or institution restored—through united prayer!

When we understand the original design, we see how far we have wandered from His purposes, where God desires to bring us back, and how we are to pray. In this way, understanding spiritual foundations and roots is critical for calling forth God’s purposes into the future.

Of the original rules and precepts for Harvard (the first college established in our nation), one of their beginning precepts stated this:

Let every student be plainly instructed, and earnestly pressed to consider well, the main end of his life and studies is, to know God and Jesus Christ which is eternal life (John 17:3) and therefore to lay Christ in the bottom, as the only foundation of all sound knowledge and learning. And seeing the Lord only gives wisdom, let everyone seriously set himself by prayer in secret to seek it of Him (Prov. 2, 3).²

More than simply being founded on principles of faith, “the earliest colleges in the United States were . . . founded primarily for theological training.”³

The President of Yale in 1754 declared this, about the original purpose of college campuses:

The original End, and Design of Colleges was to Instruct, Educate and Train up Persons for the Work of the Ministry.⁴

From their founding, the original design and purpose of college campuses was to train up young people in the Word of God and in the work of ministry!

We can clearly see this reality when we look at our nation’s history:

◆ Of the first 103 colleges in America, 101 of these were founded on the Christian faith.⁵
◆ Even up to 1860, among the 246 colleges that had been established, only 17 were state institutions;⁶ the remaining were nearly all founded for a religious purpose.⁷
Today, college campuses serve a highly strategic purpose in the life of our nation. Not only are all of a nation’s future leaders gathering to be trained and commissioned, but even the best and brightest from the nations of the world are being sent to our colleges and universities!

But there is a crisis on our college campuses today: they are in dire need of the presence of God! “The reality is that many universities are not only training future leaders into occupational roles; they are also systematically shaping hearts and minds into a worldview devoid of God.”8 The effects have been devastating on a generation: the very places that once trained young people in the Word of God are now the very places where most young people lose their faith. “Having forsaken their original call to (transform the world) for Christ and the kingdom of God, colleges continue to raise up young people to transform the world—but now for the purposes of humanism and the kingdom of man.”9

Yet, there is hope. In similar times in our nation’s history, when darkness has overtaken our colleges and universities, and when God’s people have united in faith to pray for the outpouring of God’s Spirit on colleges, He has responded to revive a generation! God has done it before; let’s ask Him to do it again!

Let’s pray into the original purposes for which colleges & universities first began:

◆ Father, we thank You for Your redemptive purposes that the college campuses of America were founded upon from the very beginning. You intended to raise up a generation who would know You, the One who is eternal life, and Jesus Christ Your Son. You alone are the foundation of all sound learning and knowledge. As Your Word says, “Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will never pass away” (Matt. 24:35). We ask that You would cause the words, ideas and philosophies of man to be uprooted, and that Your words alone would take root in the spiritual foundations of our college campuses.

◆ By Your mighty right hand, we declare a tearing down and a divine removal of every false ideology, every antichrist curriculum and every humanistic class that seeks to exalt itself against the knowledge of God. We take those thoughts captive to the obedience of Christ, and by Your divine power, we ask for the demolishing of strongholds of humanistic worldview, ideology and teaching. (2 Cor. 10:4-5) Instead, we ask for a divine replacing of these ideologies, curriculum and classes with those that would affirm a biblical worldview and that would strengthen students’ faith and relationship with the God of heaven and earth! Instead of students falling away from faith during their college years, we ask that students would begin to discover faith and to be ignited in their relationship with You!

◆ We declare that our college campuses will return to the redemptive purpose and design for which ALL colleges were first established: to be a place where young and old are trained in the Word of God and for the work of Your Kingdom! We pray that colleges and universities would become epicenters of revival, that would begin to raise up and send out messengers of holy fire into every sphere of culture and society, even to the ends of the earth. Let their college years be the time when students encounter Jesus in a life-changing way, when they are set apart for spiritual awakening, and where they are anointed, trained and commissioned by the Holy Spirit to fulfill their calling!

◆ We ask that You would send revival to the college campuses and universities of America. Begin here at ____ (your campus) ____ by restoring the original purpose and design that You have intended
for this place, even before the creation of the world. Regardless of where it is right now, we believe that You are the God who calls things that are not, as though they are. Open our eyes to see (your campus) as You see it. Reveal Your redemptive purposes over our campus even now, in Jesus’ mighty name, amen.

Group Prayer Directives

Take a few minutes to allow the Holy Spirit to speak to You (as a group) about what His redemptive purposes are for Your college campus. He may impress on your heart: a verse from Scripture, a thought, a picture, a word or a promise.

Once you have listened for a few minutes, share with one another what God is speaking to Your hearts. As you do, take a moment to audio record (on your phone) or write down what God speaks to you.

Any words that you receive from God could be key directives and promises to direct your prayers, in the future!

Endnotes

Day 2: Return of the Prodigals
Speaking to the Valley of Dry Bones

“Son of man, can these bones live?” I replied, “Lord God, only You know.”
—Ezekiel 37:3 (HCSB)

As we survey the spiritual landscape of college campuses across our nation, we begin to see a similar vision that Ezekiel the prophet saw in his day: a valley full of dry bones.

◆ Among students who begin their college life as Christians, 75% are falling away from their faith, and many are not returning.1

◆ On most university campuses across the nation, the percentage of Christians is less than 5% of the student population.2

◆ The consequences of this reality are widespread and felt in many churches across America, as the 18 to 30 age group is almost completely missing from the Church today.3

Behind each of these statistics are real people whose lives have been dramatically altered, whose destinies have fallen in the valley of death, and whose souls could be forever lost—because of the spiritual reality on college campuses. They are not just a number lost in a vast multitude of people—they are someone’s brother or sister, someone’s friend, someone’s son or daughter—and the heavenly Father notices they are missing. He longs for them to return home; His heart is broken daily over them.

How many have fallen away from their simplicity of faith and trust in God during their college years? How many who once walked in the joy of the Lord have turned away to other pursuits, ambitions and worldly pleasures? How many have been led astray by the deceitfulness and futility of man’s reasoning? How many have fallen away from their First Love, and feel too ashamed to come back?

“Son of man, can these bones live?” What is your response, when you look out over this valley? When you look at your friend, your brother or sister, your son or daughter who has fallen away while in college? Many in the Church have given up hope, believing this young generation is too far-gone or too hard to reach. What was the hope that God gave to Ezekiel when he had no answers, as to whether this valley of death could ever come to life?

He said to me, “Prophecy concerning these bones and say to them: Dry bones, hear the word of the Lord! This is what the Lord God says to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you will live. I will put tendons on you, make flesh grow on you, and cover you with skin. I will put breath in you so that you come to life. Then you will know that I am Yahweh.”
So I prophesied as I had been commanded. While I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. As I looked, tendons appeared on them, flesh grew, and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them. He said to me, “Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, son of man. Say to it: This is what the Lord God says: Breath, come from the four winds and breathe into these slain so that they may live!” So I prophesied as He commanded me; the breath entered them, and they came to life and stood on their feet, a vast army.

-Ezekiel 37:4-10 (HCSB)

Let’s Pray:

◆ Father, we call forth Your resurrection power over the colleges and universities of our nation! We declare that nothing is too hard for You, for You are the God of the impossible, who even brings life back from the dead. (Heb. 11:19, 35) Over our campus, we declare that a dead generation is coming back to life. We speak life and we prophesy “REVIVAL” over a generation—that they will live and not die, and they will declare the works of the Lord! (Psalm 118:17)

◆ Though others may see a valley of dry bones, we believe an army will arise from our college campuses. (Ezek. 37) We prophesy over every fallen destiny and calling on this campus, that they will be raised back to life. We command the bones to reassemble, we declare flesh will be placed on these fallen destinies and dreams, and we prophesy the breath of Life back into these slain, that they may live! Oh God, REVIVE A GENERATION! Awaken every student, every faculty member, and every heart to the purposes of God in this generation!

◆ Lord, we lift up the prodigals who have turned away from you, those who are running from their calling, those who You have placed in our lives—draw them back to Yourself, oh God! We believe You are able to bring each of them back to life—and we lift them up before Your throne right now:

(Take a moment to DECLARE the names of those who have fallen away from their faith in God, and call them to be raised back to life spiritually)

◆ As Hosea 14:4 (NIV) declares: “I will heal their waywardness and love them freely . . .” Heal this generation of its waywardness, that they would know the cleansing and restoring love of the Father! You are the God who is able to restore the years that the locusts have eaten (Joel 2:25), the years that have been lost by our own sinful choices or that have been stolen by the enemy. We ask that You would restore every prodigal son and daughter back to the place where they would have been, had they never walked away from You, and from their calling and purpose! Though this seems impossible with man, we believe that all things are possible with You. (Mark 10:27)

Endnotes


Day 3: Holy Hunger for God’s Presence
Transforming Revival Begins with Desperation

“If the presence of God is absent in our lives or communities, it is not because we have an ignorance problem. It is because we have an appetite problem.

“. . . transforming revival is triggered the moment our appetite for God’s presence trumps all other hungers in our lives.”

—George Otis, Jr.

We certainly see this pattern throughout history, when we take a deeper look at the igniting factors of revival and the people used of God to bring about a revival. Consider the following example of those who experienced a great outpouring of God’s Spirit in recent history.

The Hebrides Revival

The Hebrides Islands off the coast of Scotland were in drastic spiritual decline. A spirit of worldliness had overtaken many of the young people; very few attended church anymore. Instead, they spent most of their time at dances, movie theaters and drinking houses.

However, God began to raise up a fervent cry for revival. Two elderly women were moved to pray several times a week for revival, often late into the night. Seven church leaders began to meet in a barn for prayer, pleading with God for months to give them a greater appetite for His presence . . .

Meeting halls began to be packed. People began praying late into the night; lights in certain homes never went out. Hunger for God began to overtake peoples’ desire for sleep.

What was the fruit of these desperate prayers of revival for the next generation? On one occasion, Duncan Campbell described how God supernaturally moved among young people:

There was a dance in progress that night, and while this young man was praying in the aisle, the power of God moved into that dance . . . the young people, over a hundred of them, fled from the dance as though fleeing from a plague! And they made for the church. When I endeavored to get up into the pulpit, I found the way blocked with
young people who had been at the dance. When I went into the pulpit, I found a young woman, a graduate of Aberdeen University, who was at the dance. And she’s lying on the floor of the pulpit crying, “Is there mercy for me? Is there mercy for me? Is there mercy for me?”

How did their fervent prayers impact the community as a whole?

Hundreds had been converted, many without a word being spoken to them! Drunkards were trembling under conviction in the drinking house! While people gathered in churches to pray, great conviction of sin was sweeping over districts, causing sinners to fall helpless in the roads. Meetings lasting for hours, and four services being held nightly, with churches (and communities) being transformed!

This is what happens when the presence of God draws near to a community. More than any other answer or breakthrough, we are after His presence! If we have Him, we have everything; without Him, we have nothing. As Lou Engle once noted, “Revival is God’s arrival.”

Prayer Directive:

◆ Take some time to cry out to the Lord as a group, from your own hearts. Ask Him to fill you with a holy hunger and a holy desperation for His presence. Ask Him to give you His heart, to give you His tears, and to break your heart with the things that are breaking His heart. More than any words you could be given to pray, enter into a heart response before Him, of hunger for His presence!

Let's Pray for the Colleges & Universities:

◆ Father, we confess that our hunger for Your presence has not yet reached the point of desperation. We have not been broken over our campuses, in the way that is needed to see a revival. Would You break our hearts, with the things that break Your heart? Would You break our hearts for the people that Your heart is broken over? We give You permission to expand the capacity of our hearts—to carry a deeper love than we’ve ever known, to carry Your tears for lost souls, and to carry the burdens of Your heart for our college campus. We want to weep over the lost and broken on our campus.

◆ We ask for an all-consuming hunger and desperation for Your presence, that only You can give us—that we would desire You more than anything else in this life! Let nothing else satisfy us but the presence of God, touching an entire generation! Only You can heal the brokenness that runs so deep within our campuses. Only You can restore the years that the enemy has stolen from this generation. More than anything else You could give us, we ask for this one thing: that we might behold You all the days of our lives and dwell in Your presence! (Ps. 27:4) We want the fullness of Your presence—heaven on earth!
Like Moses, we ask for Your Presence to go before us and to be with us, for what else will distinguish us from all the other people on the face of the earth? (Exodus 33:15-16) We are not simply satisfied with breakthroughs; we must have You! “But as for me, the nearness of God is my good” (Psalm 73:28, NASB).

Endnotes

1. George Otis Jr., Life Appetites Test
4. Owen Murphy, When God Stepped Down from Heaven (Portland, OR: Owen Murphy, 1955).
Day 4: Incoming Freshmen  
Divine Connection & Protection

“Students come to college with open hearts and minds. They are hungry to know the truth and to discover their life-calling. Many are on their own, making their own decisions for the first time. They are looking for friendship and acceptance—leaving many vulnerable to influence by the wrong crowd.

“These years are the most formative years of young peoples’ lives, the time when ways of thinking are shaped that often affect the rest of their lives. This is where beliefs become solidified, as young people discover the world for themselves, and what they believe about the world.”

Prayer:

◆ Heavenly Father, we lift up all of the incoming freshmen that will be setting foot on (your campus) for the first time this fall. We ask You to divinely connect them with other believers and with Christian community on our campus! We pray all distractions would be removed from their eyes and from their hearts, as they explore and discover the many options being presented to them. Give them a Spirit of discernment, wisdom and revelation to know what to pursue and what to avoid, as well as who to pursue and who to avoid. (Eph. 1:17-20) Supernaturally direct every footstep and orchestrate their every moment, that freshman students would be led into the exact purposes, plans and communities that You have prepared for them during their college years. (Eph. 2:10)

◆ Remove all anxiety that would try to arise in students’ hearts, especially among incoming freshmen, as they seek to find community on campus. Fill their hearts and their minds with Your peace that surpasses all understanding (Phil. 4:6-7), that they would be protected from making foolish decisions or getting involved with the wrong crowd. Instead, let them experience Your perfect love which casts out all fear. (1 John 4:18) We pray they would know the height, the depth, the length and the width of Your love, and that they would be rooted and anchored in that perfect love of the Father. (Eph. 3:17-18) Let them not seek acceptance from people, but rather live out of the acceptance that can only come from God through Christ.

◆ We declare that these years will not be a time of rebellion, wandering or pursuing after the pleasures of this world, but rather it will be a time of discovering and encountering the heart of God for themselves, and becoming rooted and established in Christ, alongside other believers! Let Your Word be a lamp to their feet and a light for their path. We declare their faith will be strengthened during their college years, and they will be sent out from this place into the Kingdom commission you have ordained for them.

Endnotes

Day 5: Releasing of the Father’s Heart
To Love as He Loves, Laying Down Our Lives

“Simon son of John, do you love me?” He answered, “Yes, Lord, you know that I love you.” Jesus said, “Take care of my sheep.”
—John 21:16 (NIV)

One of the greatest ways we can love God is by loving His children. As we read through the gospels, it’s clear that the Father greatly loves His children. He is a Good Shepherd who desires that not one will be lost, but that all will be drawn to Him. (2 Peter 3:9)

In Ezekiel 34, the Lord begins to draw near for judgment against the shepherds, because they were not truly caring for the sheep. Instead, they were feeding themselves and allowing their sheep to starve and to be devoured by wild animals! In verse 4, the Lord says: “You have not strengthened the weak or healed the sick or bound up the injured. You have not brought back the strays or searched for the lost. You have ruled them harshly and brutally.” (NIV) He continues in verse 6: “My sheep wandered over all the mountains and on every high hill. They were scattered over the whole earth, and no one searched or looked for them.” You can sense the grief that Father God has when His children are scattered, with no one to search or look for them.

When God removed His favor from the first king of Israel, He began to seek another man—“a man after his own heart” (1 Sam. 13:14, NIV). Who did He find to replace Saul as king? A young shepherd boy named David—literally, a man who had the same heart as Him! He is the Good Shepherd, and He found a shepherd who would care for His people well. He knew that since David cared for the weakest and most helpless of animals in the hidden places, that he would also care for His people with great compassion once he became a king!

Let’s Pray:

♦ Father, we want to carry Your heart for the students, the faculty and staff on our campus. We want to love with the same intensity and depth that You love. We want our hearts to be broken over those who are lost, wandering, scattered, alone, weak, sick, injured and in danger of being devoured. We want our hearts to break for lost and prodigal souls, just as Yours does. Give us the heart of the Good Shepherd, that we would be willing to lay down our lives for Your sheep (John 10:11), that we would seek out and search for the lost, that we would be willing to stop for the one, and to take time to love the one!
◆ Fill us with the Father’s heart and release the Father’s love through us—that we might see a fatherless generation healed and redeemed! Release Your Spirit of Adoption over a generation, that they would know You intimately as a Father. (Rom. 8:15) Give us courage to go out to the highways and to every place, and compel people to come in, that Your house would be full! (Luke 14:23)

◆ We pray for a release of the perfect love of the Father that casts out all fear. (1 John 4:18) Remove everything that would keep us from trusting You, from fully surrendering and obeying You! We pray for an infilling of the love of the Father that will set us (and this campus) free from the love of the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life. (1 John 2:15-17)

◆ We lift up every campus ministry leader, pastor, volunteer, staff, student and faculty—who knows You and serves You in any way—that they would be filled with the Father’s love for those on our campus! We pray that by knowing this love personally and intimately, that we would be able to love others in the same way that You do. We can only love because You first loved us! (1 John 4:19)
Day 6: Identity

Defined by His Words Alone

“As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.”

—Matthew 3:16-17 (NIV)

Before Jesus ever performed a miracle, healed the sick, raised the dead or began his public ministry, He was first and foremost God’s Son. He lived out of the place of intimate relationship, living to please the heart of the Father in the secret place. Because of this, He was free from the fear of man and the opinions of man! He did not live for the honor, glory or praise that comes from people—He only wanted to receive this from His Father in heaven.

When we live from the place of right relationship with the Father—abiding in the secret place, seeking to please and delight His heart through obedience, walking in surrender and holiness, and receiving His love—this is the place where our identity becomes unshakable.

This right relationship with God becomes an anchor for the soul, preserving our life from many deadly snares—the fear of man (Prov. 29:25), seeking the praise of man (John 12:43), being influenced by the words and ideologies of man (Isa. 55:8-9), which ultimately leads to embracing the false identities of man (Mk. 8:28-29).

The issue of identity is huge! What we believe about the core of who we are will determine the core of how we live. When our identity is founded on our own thoughts, understandings or ways, or on the thoughts or ideas of others, we will completely miss who we were created to be in God!

When our identity is found in how others perceive us or what others say about us, we are living from a dangerous place. If we live by the praise of men, we will crumble at the criticisms of men.

Words play a critical role in the shaping of our identity. What words are we living by and whose words are we living for? Only He has the right to define who we are. Only He truly knows who we were made to be and what we were made to do. Whatever He says of us—this is reality, this is the truth about our core identity. If He was the One who made our hearts in the first place, isn’t He the only One who truly understands what will cause this heart to come alive?

Augustine, a man who lived 354-430AD, spent a great part of his life pursuing every fulfillment that he could possibly gain in this life—accomplishment, pleasure, wealth, honor, knowledge, spirituality—only to find he was completely empty and dissatisfied on the inside. One day, he found what he was truly looking for. The conclusion that he came to, at the end of it all, was this:
“You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in You.”

We were made for Him. We were made for relationship with God, to live in His presence, to behold His beauty and to be sustained by His words. If you remove a man from the presence, beauty and words of God, his spirit will die—just as a person’s body will die without food, water and air. God’s words are our daily bread, His presence the air that we breathe, and He sustains us by His living water, which flows from His throne!

Prayers:

◆ Father, we ask for Your perfect love to pour out over a generation, bringing healing to our broken ways of thinking and believing, which we have come to embrace. Speak Your words of identity, purpose and destiny over every heart that attends (your campus)! We pray that Your Word would be a sharp, double-edged sword, dividing between soul and spirit. Reveal the thoughts and intentions that come from the human soul, that we may surrender them to You! Lord, also reveal the thoughts and intentions that come from the Holy Spirit, that we may receive Your transforming power and words into our lives. (Heb. 4:12) We declare that Your thoughts are higher than our thoughts, and Your ways are higher than our ways! (Isa. 55:8-9)

◆ Jesus, shine Your light over our campus, upon the hearts and minds of every person at (your campus). Reveal truth from the Word of God, and begin to wash away all confusion from the minds and hearts of a generation, regarding their identity and their purpose. (Eph. 5:26) Let the words of men fall away and begin to wither, that we would no longer be rooted in them. Instead let us be rooted in the Word of God, which endures forever, that we would be like a tree planted by streams of living water! (Jer. 17:5-8)

◆ Lord, cut off every critical, hurtful, prideful, flattering, deceptive and confusing word from the hearts of this generation. Let God be found to be true, and every man a liar! (Rom. 3:4) In addition, we break off agreements with the fear of man, seeking the praise of man, and we surrender every word that comes from the flesh, the world and the enemy. Instead, we will receive only those words which come from heaven, for we acknowledge that man cannot live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God! (Matt. 4:4) We declare Your Word to be the only truth and the only reality that is allowed to shape the identity and the heartbeat of this generation!

◆ We declare the truth over this generation: that “none of us lives for ourselves alone, and none of us dies for ourselves alone. If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord” (Rom. 14:7-8, NIV). We declare that profound truth that Augustine discovered, over our campus: “You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you.” Jesus, let every heart find its rest in You—the only true God—who is eternal life (John 17:3). In Jesus’ name, amen!

Endnotes

1.  St. Augustine’s Confessions (Lib 1, 1-2, 2.5, 5: CSEL 33, 1-5).
Day 7: The Body of Christ

Loving God, Loving One Another, Loving Our Campuses

Jesus loves His people—the Church, the Body of Christ, His Bride! One of the primary ways we love God and show the world that we are His, is by our love for one another:

“By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”
- John 13:35 (NASB)

“This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters.”
- 1 John 3:16 (NIV)

One of the best ways we can love one another is by keeping our brothers and sisters in our hearts, through prayer! (Eph. 6:18) Let’s take a moment to pray for the Body of Christ, our family on campus, who is “the fullness of him who fills everything in every way” (Eph. 1:23).

Prayer Declarations:

◆ **A Return to First Love** (Rev. 2)—Father, we thank You for those who have been laboring on our campus through the years. Thank You for their faithful service, perseverance, and willingness to lay down their lives for the student body! Thank You that when others have given up, they haven’t. We pray for any leaders, volunteers or students who have lost their joy, the reason why they do what they do, that You would restore that to them. If any have lost their First Love, would You open their eyes to see the height from which they’ve fallen, and would You give them grace to repent and to return wholeheartedly! Restore the joy of their salvation, the joy of laboring and sacrificing, the joy of having something to offer You! Restore their love for Your presence, for prayer, for the Word, and for the secret place—that they would be rooted from that place, and that it would become the joy of their hearts to be with You!

◆ **Complete Unity** (John 17:20-23)—We lift up the leadership teams within each of the ministries, both staff and students, that they would be in complete unity with Your Holy Spirit—and as a result, in complete unity with one another! Remove every hindrance that would keep ministry leadership teams from being able to move together as one.

◆ We also pray that You would unite the various leaders, ministries and believers together as one, in one vision under heaven, in one heart and mind, and with genuine love for one another. We pray that Your people would become more than co-laborers or acquaintances—but that we would become friends! Open our eyes to see one another, and open our hearts to begin to lay down our lives for one another! (1 John 3:16)
◆ **Effectiveness in Reaching Students**—Thank You, Father, that it’s *to Your glory* that we bear *much fruit*, showing ourselves to be Your disciples! (John 15:8) We ask that the campus ministries and churches on our campus would bear much fruit, that they would be effective in reaching new students, as well as discipling and encouraging current ones. We pray that their communities will be strong and unified in love. We pray that they would abide in You, and allow Your Spirit and Word to abide in them—that they would be perfectly led by You every step of the way, every decision they make and every conversation they have. Let there be *lasting, eternal fruit* that remains! (John 15:4-5, 16)

◆ **Protection Over Leadership**—Lord, we pray that You would protect the hearts and minds of every leader on our campus, from every scheme of the enemy that would seek to discourage, compromise, ensnare or disqualify them from the fullness of Your prophetic promises over their lives! Protect them from the evil one (John 17:15), that they would not be outwitted by the enemy, nor unaware of his schemes (2 Cor. 2:11). We ask that You would strengthen them with power through Your Spirit in their inner being, that Christ would dwell in their hearts through faith! Help them to stay rooted and established in the love of Christ. (Eph. 3:16-19) Above all else, help them to guard their hearts, for from that place flows the springs of life (Prov. 4:23, NIV, NASB). Give them Your words of life, strength and encouragement at strategic moments throughout this next year. In Jesus’ name, amen!
Day 8: Preparing the Way of the Lord
A Movement of Repentance and Holiness

“Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord . . .”
—Acts 3:19 (NIV)

“. . . without holiness no one will see the Lord.”
—Hebrews 12:14b (NIV)

If we truly want to see the presence of the Lord flood our campuses, we must prepare the way for the refreshing waters to come! As these scriptures clearly tell us, His outpouring and His presence being revealed first depend on these conditions: repentance and holiness.

John the Baptist came to prepare the way of the Lord. His message and his baptism were both of repentance. People from the entire region began coming out to confess their sins and to be baptized, as a sign of their repentance. He called them not only to confess, but also to turn from their sins, bearing fruit in keeping with repentance. (Matt. 3:2-3, 5-6, 8) This heart preparation allowed for the ministry of Jesus to be revealed to Israel, and for heaven to draw near to an entire people!

Frank Bartleman of the Azusa revival said this: “The depth of any revival will be determined exactly by the spirit of repentance it obtains.”¹ There cannot be a lasting move of God without a deep movement of repentance among us. Before and during the great Welsh revival that brought 100,000 souls into the kingdom in less than a year, Evan Roberts was given a message to share every night, about the four conditions of receiving the Holy Spirit. The first condition was this: “We must confess before God every sin in our past life that has not been confessed.”²

Are we ready to prepare the way of the Lord? For without repentance, there will be no times of refreshing. Without holiness, no one will see the Lord!

Prayer Directive: Confession & Repentance

As we go into a time of prayer, let’s take time to allow God to search our hearts and to reveal anything that is not pleasing to Him. As He reveals it, let’s confess it and bring it out into the light—that no offensive way or thought would remain in us.
As we enter into this time of confessing our sins, it's vital to take ownership over the sins we each have committed. Do not use the generality, “We, the Church, have sinned,” as it is all too easy to be thinking about other peoples’ sins. Rather, make it personal: “Lord, I have sinned before You. I have been prideful towards others. I have held unforgiveness and grieved Your heart . . .”

The Bible tells us, “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness” (1 John 1:9, ESV). Also, we are encouraged: “Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.” (James 5:16, NASB)

◆ Lord, is there any way in me that is offensive? Is there anything that I have not confessed or surrendered to You? As the Psalmist wrote, “Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting” (Psalm 139:23-24, NIV).

(Take time now to ask God to search and reveal our hearts, and to confess our sins before Him. Do not rush this time, but take as much time as is needed to go deep. After confessing each sin, ask God to show you how He wants you to see and think about those things, how He wants to replace that way of seeing, thinking & acting.)

Closing Prayer

◆ Father, we are longing for times of refreshing to come to our campus! We ask that You would release a spirit of humility, prayer and repentance among the student body of (your campus). We are asking that You would release a movement of repentance and holiness that would sweep through the student body, even among the professors and administration, that every heart would be consumed with longing for Your presence! Let this campus become an altar, and every heart a living sacrifice upon that altar, upon which the fire of heaven will fall! In Jesus’ mighty name, amen.

Endnotes

See, I will send my messenger, who will prepare the way before me. Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come,” says the LORD Almighty. But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner’s fire or a launderer’s soap.

—Malachi 3:1-2 (NIV)

The Lord speaks through Malachi about a time that is coming in the last days, when His people will be seeking and desiring His presence—and suddenly, He will come! But when He comes, it will be in a way that is different than what they’re expecting: it will be as a refiner’s fire, a cleansing soap.

In other words, His people will be crying out for the presence of God to come—not fully realizing that He is also the Holy One, the all-consuming fire! (Heb. 12:29) As He begins to draw near, that holy and purifying fire will begin to draw out all our impurities to the surface, just as a refining fire does with gold or silver. His people will begin with a longing for His presence, but in order to actually see the fullness of God draw near, it will require a purifying, a consecrating, a surrendering of our sins and a giving up of things in our lives that are not pleasing to Him. These things are incompatible with a holy, jealous God, who will not be satisfied with a half-hearted, compromised Bride. He must have all of our hearts, all of our souls, all of our minds, all of our strength. He is holy, and He can only live among those who walk with clean hands and a pure heart, who do not lift up their souls to an idol, or live by what is false. (Psalm 24)

Prayers on Behalf of the Body:

◆ Lord, we give You permission right now, to come as an all-consuming fire over the hearts of Your people. We do not want You to come on our terms, but to come on Your terms. Come as You are, not as we want You to be! Forgive us for allowing You to come only so far, and pushing You away, when You bring our impurities to the surface. We do not want to reject the gentle conviction of Your Holy Spirit, nor avoid the intensity of Your refining fire.

◆ We repent for the times when You have brought things to the forefront in our hearts, but we haven’t been willing to allow You to speak into them. Forgive us for the times we’ve resisted You, when You’ve come to convict us of sin, righteousness and judgment. (John 16:7-11) Give us the grace not to shut out Your voice of conviction, but rather to welcome You into our lives.

◆ As we go through the testing of the fire, if there’s anything that’s not of You, give us the willingness and the courage to deal with it immediately and decisively. If there’s anything that we are
leaning on or turning to, besides You, give us grace to surrender and nail those things to the cross. We want You to be our everything, that we could truly say, like the Psalms declare: “All my fountains are in you” (Ps. 87:7, NIV), “My whole source of joy is in you” (Ps. 87:7, HCSB).

◆ Lord, help us to yield to the cleansing fire and the purifying soap of Your Holy Spirit—that our lampstands would not be removed from any part of Your Church. (Rev. 2-3) We pray that we would submit to Your corrections and rebukes, knowing that You discipline the ones you love, those who You have accepted as Your sons and daughters (Heb. 12:6). Let us not lose heart (v. 5), but rather let us clearly see Your heart—that everything You do, even Your correction and discipline, comes out of Your great love for us!

◆ Father, You have taken us out of Egypt—out of the world, out of slavery to sin. You have brought about a great deliverance and freedom among Your people. Like the Israelites, You are leading us through the wilderness and preparing us to enter the land of promise. However, we also recognize we cannot enter the Promised Land, until You purify us in the wilderness first.

Lord, You have taken us out of Egypt, out of the world. Now, take Egypt out of us. Remove everything in us that would desire to turn back to the world. Remove all unbelief in regards to who You are and what You’ve spoken. We don’t want to remain in the wilderness or die in the desert! Give us an undivided heart, give us the mind of Christ, and lead us into the fulfillment of every promise You’ve spoken! In Jesus’ mighty name, amen.
Day 10: Overcoming Distraction

If We Would, Then We Could

One weekend, there was a revival conference being held at Arizona State University. The title of that morning’s session was “Defeating Distraction,” and it addressed the topic of distraction as being one of the major hindrances to revival in the West. Immediately after the session was over, a girl who wasn’t at the gathering (and had no idea about the teaching) sent a text message to the coordinator. The text message said this:

“Had a dream last night where God or an angel was telling me, **If we would live undistracted we could overcome / take the land / defeat the enemy in one day.**”

Those at the gathering couldn’t believe how clear this confirmation from heaven was! At first, they were amazed at the idea of being able to take the land, possess the promises and defeat the enemy in only **one day**. But then the Lord drew them to the condition of this promise: “**If you would live undistracted . . .**” They realized that God was saying, **in order to be ready for the moment or the day of breakthrough, it would require an ongoing lifestyle of living free from distraction.**

Then the Lord highlighted another few phrases from the dream: “*If we would . . . (then) we could . . .*”

They began to realize that it all comes down to this one key: **If we are willing to remove distraction from our lives and if we are willing to live a life free from distraction, then we will have the spiritual focus, wholeheartedness, courage and strength to take the land, to defeat the enemy, and to possess the promises of God!**

Are you willing?

Prayer:

- Father, we confess that we are a **distracted people**. Our minds are preoccupied with so many thoughts, pursuits, ambitions and activities. We are not single-minded or single-focused in pursuing the Kingdom of God. You said that if we would **seek first Your Kingdom and Your righteousness**, that all other life provisions would be given to us as well (Matt. 6:33). We ask for the power of Your Holy Spirit to “take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ” (2 Cor. 10:5, NIV). Give us the willingness and power from heaven to “set (our) minds on things above, not on earthly things. For (we) died, and (our lives are) now hidden with Christ in God” (Col. 3:3, NIV). We put off the mind of sinful man, and we put on the mind of Christ—in the name of Jesus! (Col. 3:5; 1 Cor. 2:16)
Father, we also confess that our hearts are divided. They are weighed down with the worries, cares, riches and pleasures of this life (Luke 8:14). They are divided by affections for so many other things, and we have not been wholehearted in the pursuit of Your promises. Our prayer is that of Psalm 86:11—“Teach me Your way, O LORD; I will walk in Your truth; Unite my heart to fear Your name” (NASB). Take the divided pieces of our hearts and unite them together as one—to become wholehearted towards You. As Ezekiel 11:19 says, we ask that You would give us “an undivided heart and put a new spirit” in us; remove from us a “heart of stone” and give us a “heart of flesh” (NIV).

We acknowledge that “The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak” (Matt. 26:41, NIV). Help us to watch and to pray with a wholehearted focus, so that we will not fall into temptation or distraction. Give us strength in our spirits to overcome the weaknesses of the flesh—by the power of Your Holy Spirit! We pray the prayer of David in Psalm 51: “Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me . . . Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me” (v. 10, 12; NIV).

According to the promise You gave in the dream, we ask that You would give the Body of Christ at _your campus_ the grace and willingness to live undistracted, that we could defeat the enemy, possess the promises and take the land in one day! In the mighty name of Jesus, amen!
Think about this for a moment: out of a whole generation of Israelites, who saw the mighty works of God, who were led daily by the glory of God as a cloud by day and a fire by night, who saw miraculous provision of food in the desert and water from a rock, who were delivered from the most powerful army in all of the world—out of this whole generation of Israelites, only two of them were able to enter into the Promised Land. These two men were Joshua and Caleb.

What was it about the hearts of Joshua and Caleb, that set them apart from all of the other Israelites, and allowed them to set foot into the promises of God? How did they cultivate their hearts in the wilderness before God, that set them apart from every other, and gave them the faith and strength to take the land?

Before Joshua ever became a leader among God’s people, he was simply a young aide to Moses. When Moses would meet with the cloud of God’s presence in the Tent of Meeting, Joshua was right there with him. But even after Moses left to return to the camp, Joshua would remain in the presence of God—he “did not leave the tent” (Ex. 33:11, NIV). Joshua cultivated intimacy with God and prioritized His presence, not wanting to leave that place. He lived in the secret place before the presence of God, and this prepared him to lead a people into the Promised Land.

When the 12 spies were sent to survey the land, 10 came back with a fearful report that caused all of Israel to lose courage. But Caleb silenced the people and said, “We should go up and take possession of the land, for we can certainly do it” (Num. 13:30, NIV). When the people refused and talked of stoning them, God declared that not one of them would live to see the land promised to them, except Joshua and Caleb. Then in Numbers 14:24, we see a glimpse into the heart of Caleb, directly from the mouth of God: “But because my servant Caleb has a different spirit and follows me wholeheartedly, I will bring him into the land he went to, and his descendants will inherit it” (NIV).

Prayer:

◆ Father, we ask that You would make us a people who have a different spirit and who follow You wholeheartedly, just as Caleb did in his day. (Num. 14:24) Set us apart from all the others around us! Let us be a people set apart by our faith and by our courage, ones who refuse to be influenced by, or believe, the bad reports all around us. (Num. 13:32) Let us not be intimidated by the giants in the land, but let us have full assurance of Your faithfulness and Your ability to lead us into every promise You have spoken! (Num. 14:9)

◆ We lift up the Body of Christ at (your campus), that You would give us the courage of Joshua and the wholeheartedness of Caleb. Let us not be led by what we see with our natural
eyes, nor influenced by the current conditions or spiritual oppression over the land. Instead, give us eyes to see and ears to hear what the Spirit is saying over our campus! (Rev. 2-3) Whatever You are speaking to us, give us the courage to believe *with all of our hearts* and to *possess your promises by faith!*

◆ Let us be a people who abide in Christ, who linger in the secret place of Your presence. Your Word says that if we abide in You and You in us, that we will bear much fruit—for apart from You we can do nothing! (John 15:4-5) Teach us to wait upon You, that our strength would be renewed, and that we would “run and not grow weary” and “walk and not be faint” (Isaiah 40:31, NIV). Enable us to persevere until we see *all the fullness* of Your promises come to pass at *(your campus)*! What You began in us and on our campus, we believe You will be faithful to *bring it to completion* (Phil. 1:6)—in the mighty name of Jesus, amen!!
Day 12: Laborers for the Harvest  
A Divine Commissioning from Heaven

He told them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field.  
—Luke 10:2b (NIV)

Truly the harvest fields are great on the college campuses of America, and the laborers are quite few:

◆ Of the 4,949 college campuses in America, nearly 3,811 campuses (77%) are considered unreached. They do not have a single community of Christians sharing the hope of Jesus.¹

◆ In the fall 2019, there will be an estimated 20 million students who will be attending colleges in America.²

◆ On nearly every campus nationwide, the student population of Christians on the campus is less than 5%.³

Question: If only 5% of the student population on your campus is Christian (as is the average on campuses across the nation), how many believers and unbelievers are currently attending your campus?

Believers: _________________________

Unbelievers: ______________________

Thankfully, there is a way to respond to this vast need for laborers on college campuses—PRAY!

Only God can raise up the right workers needed at the right times and in the right places, to do the work He has called them to do.

“How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: ‘How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!’”

-Romans 10:14-15 (NIV)
Let’s Pray:

◆ Father, as we look upon the great need for workers on the college campuses of our nation, we are reminded that only You know the right people who are ready to be raised up, commissioned and sent out into Your harvest field. We come into agreement with Your Word in Luke 10:2, and we ask the Lord of the Harvest—send out workers into Your harvest field, all across this nation onto the college campuses and universities!! Raise up prayer warriors, campus ministers, pastors, fathers and mothers, alumni, students, faculty and staff who will be sent into every college campus to be part of the next Great Awakening on the colleges of America!

◆ On _(your campus)_ , we ask that You would raise up a movement of students who will carry the Isaiah 61 anointing by the Holy Spirit: “to proclaim good news to the poor,” “to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the LORD’s favor and the day of vengeance of our God” (against the spiritual enemies holding people captive), “to comfort all who mourn, and provide for those who grieve . . . to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair” (v. 1-3, NIV). Let Your Spirit of awakening rest upon the student body, that they would begin to see great signs, wonders and miracles break out in their midst—especially the miracle of salvation and the surrender of prodigal hearts!

◆ On _(your campus)_ , we pray that You would raise up faculty and staff who will be placed in key positions, to influence the college at strategic moments for the Kingdom of heaven. Raise up believers into key advisory and leadership positions, as you did in the days of Daniel and Joseph, that they would have _the word of the Lord_ for the hour, and the answers to future crises on our college campus. We pray that You would divinely connect believers together in one heart and mind, and that a holy boldness would come upon them to share the gospel and to lead many of their colleagues to salvation in Jesus! Break every spirit of fear and intimidation off of their hearts, and give them favor and boldness to be able to reveal Your Kingdom in the places where they are planted. We pray a divine covering of protection over their jobs, that the enemy would not be able to short-circuit their ministry on campus! Grant tenure to the faculty that You desire to use for Your glory, that they could operate in even greater openness and boldness on our campus!

◆ On _(your campus)_ , we pray that You, Lord, would raise up additional workers for the harvest here on campus! We ask You to raise up campus ministry leaders, pastors, volunteers, fathers and mothers, and alumni who would be willing to sow their lives into this campus through prayer, through discipleship & mentoring, through financial support, through serving in existing ministries or planting new ones, and through sharing the gospel on our campus! Lord, unite the generations as one in the Great Commission for this Great Awakening that’s coming to the colleges! In Jesus’ mighty name, amen.

Endnotes

Day 13: Healing of Broken Families
Turning the Hearts of the Generations

“See, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before that great and dreadful day of the LORD comes. He will turn the hearts of the parents to their children, and the hearts of the children to their parents; or else I will come and strike the land with total destruction.”
—Malachi 4:5-6 (NIV)

A young person’s sense of security and well-being is greatly shaped by the stability or instability of life at home. Their perception of God and their own identity is often shaped by their relationship with their father, and their ability to express empathy, compassion and healing concern often shaped by their relationship with their mother.

Unfortunately, many young people in our day have experienced the pain and heartache of broken families, fatherlessness, and emotional separation from their parents. Rather than being the exception, it has become the norm. Divorce has become rampant, shaking the very foundations of the home life. Families have allowed personal pursuit, selfishness, busyness and distraction to overrun the home life. Technology and media have replaced family time and quality connection on the heart level. Instead of being a safe place or a place of belonging, homes have become a place of isolation, insecurity and disconnect.

But the greatest tragedy of all is that we have neglected to call upon the name of the Lord or to invite Him into our families regularly and in the midst of our family crises. As a consequence, the presence of God is completely missing from most families and homes today. God desires to restore families. As His Word promises in Malachi 4, He is pouring out a grace (in these last days) to see the hearts of families turn towards one another!

Prayers to Restore the Family:

◆ Lord, turn the hearts of sons and daughters back toward their fathers and mothers, and the hearts of fathers and mothers back toward their sons and daughters. (Mal. 4:5-6) Where there has been dishonor, disregard or distance in the hearts of the young generation, would You replace that with honor, regard for the sacrifices and love that has been shown toward them, and a desire to draw near and restore relationship by the power of the Holy Spirit. Over the hearts of fathers and mothers, where there has been indifference, selfish ambition, busyness and distraction, would You replace that with the Father’s heart of love, with a desire to give up personal pursuit in order to lay down their lives for their children. Give parents a willingness to set aside busyness and distraction to spend quality time and give their full attention to the needs of their
sons and daughters, and to demonstrate Your heart toward Your children. Help families to be present with one another.

◆ Lord, restore the family altar—we’re asking that families would begin to pray together on a regular basis, even if these prayer times must happen over long-distance, using technology. We thank You that it is never too late to begin praying with one another as a family! We ask that You would restore family Bible reading times, testimony times, and that Your presence would become the central focus of the family. Lord, move on the hearts of family members to humble themselves before one another, that we would even begin to see confession of sins, repentance and reconciliation take place between members of the entire family—between parents and children, brothers, sisters, husbands and wives! We believe You are able to bring revival to the family, and that You are able to restore all the years that the enemy has stolen from them—that they could begin to reflect the unity that the Father, Son and Holy Spirit walk in with one another!

◆ Father, we are asking You to bring peace and stability to the home lives of students and faculty. Where divorce has been rampant and removed the security of the home life, we ask that You would turn the hearts of husbands and wives—both old and young—back toward one another. Heal broken marriages. We declare a shift in the hearts of husbands toward loving their wives, and the hearts of wives toward respecting and honoring their husbands. (Eph. 5:33) We ask that miraculously, those who have been divorced would suddenly be drawn back toward one another, to honor the vows of their youth and to honor the God of heaven. Let husbands and wives begin to renew their vows with one another! (Mal. 2:13-16) We pray that the impact this will have on the lives of students will be profound, and release healing of the heart, healing of their sense of security that can only come from family, and healing in their identity. Reveal Your jealous love for marriages and families, and do a mighty work of restoration—in the powerful name of Jesus—amen!
Day 14: Student Health: Emotional, Spiritual, Physical
Healing & Wholeness for a Generation

“Beloved, I pray that in all respects you may prosper and be in good health, just as your soul prospers.”
—3 John 1:2 (NASB)

“Your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit . . . honor God with your bodies.”
—I Corinthians 6:19-20 (NIV)

The emotional and mental health of college students has become a growing concern among college counseling centers. According to a recent national survey, 95% of counseling center directors expressed increasing concern by the numbers of students “with significant psychological problems,” and 70% indicated an increase in the numbers of students “with severe psychological problems” from the previous year.¹

Anxiety & Depression: In a recent survey conducted among counseling centers on college campuses, they found that “Anxiety is the top presenting concern among college students (41.6 percent), followed by depression (36.4 percent) and relationship problems (35.8 percent).”²

In fact, “75% of all individuals with an anxiety disorder will experience symptoms before age 22.” According to a professor and chair of a psychiatry department, all national surveys unanimously reveal “a distinct rise in the number of mental health problems” on colleges and universities, and depression has doubled in the last 15 years.³

Drugs: According to Addiction Center, “College students make up one of the largest groups of drug abusers nationwide” and are “twice as likely to abuse drugs and alcohol than those who don’t attend college.”⁴

Alcohol: “Alcohol is the most popular and dangerous drug on college campuses by far. To many, drinking is synonymous with the college experience.”⁵ According to a national survey taken in 2016, 57% of college students drank alcohol in the previous month, 38% had engaged in binge drinking, almost 11% in heavy alcohol use.

The consequences of excessive and underage drinking have been more destructive than many have realized. Statistics indicate that drinking among college students has led to an estimated 1,519 student deaths annually, 696,000 assaults, and 97,000 cases of sexual assault or date rape each year.⁶ Fraternity and sorority members are up to 26% more likely to binge-drink, according to the US Department of Education’s Higher Education’s Higher Education.⁷
**Sexual Assault:** Somewhere between 20% and 25% of female students have experienced an attempted or completed sexual assault during their college years, with about 84% of incidents occurring during their first two years of college. At least 50% of all incidents involve alcohol use. “Students living in sorority houses and on-campus dormitories are 3 times and 1.4 times (respectively) more likely to be raped than students living off-campus.” More than half of these incidents are never reported.  

**STD’s:** Young people have the highest rates of sexually transmitted diseases. In 2015, the combined total cases of three major STD’s reached an unprecedented high in the U. S., with young people (age 15-24) accounting for a large number of these cases.  

**Suicide:** The CDC reports that “suicide is a leading cause of death in the U.S.” Between 1999 and 2016, suicide rates have increased in almost every state, with half of the states reporting more than 30% increase. Leading factors contributing to suicide include: a relationship problem, substance abuse, a crisis, a physical health problem, a job/financial problem, etc. (2016). In 2017 alone, among young people ages 15-24, 1,225 females and 5,016 males committed suicide. Research revealed an increase in suicide rates especially among young men, and that “adolescents are of particular concern, with increases in social media use, anxiety, depression, and self-inflicted injuries.”  

**Let’s Pray:**  

Father, we pray for a **movement of holiness, righteousness and purity on the college campuses of America**—that will cause the student body to be washed clean by the blood of Jesus! (1 John 1:7; Heb. 9:14) Though our sins are as scarlet, we ask that You would purify us and make our campus as white as snow! (Isa. 1:18; Ps. 51:7) We declare a **turning** in the hearts of students and faculty, to willingly offer their bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to You. (Rom. 12:1-2) Uproot the lies that they are unable to break free. By Your power, break off every soul tie, every addiction and every deception that would try to hold their souls captive to their own desires. We pray for a revelation of the beauty of Your holiness (Ps. 27:4; 29:2), that they would desire to seek You and to honor You above all, to turn away from all sin, and to be holy as You are holy! (1 Peter 1:15-16)  

Lord, we ask You to **break off every addiction to alcohol, drugs, pornography, sexual immorality and perversion** among the student body and the faculty. We ask for the power of Your Spirit within hearts to renounce all agreements with destructive lifestyles and sin-patterns, and to find **complete freedom, cleansing and healing by the blood of Jesus!**  

We declare the **joy of the Lord will be this generation’s strength!** (Neh. 8:10) Thank You that the power of anxiety, worry, depression and fear is being broken off right now, by the power and the blood of Jesus! You said that we don’t have to be anxious about **anything**, but that in everything by prayer, petition and with thanksgiving in our hearts, we can present our requests to You. Your promise is that when we do this, the peace of God that surpasses **all understanding** will guard our hearts and our minds in Christ Jesus! (Phil. 4:6-7) We receive this promise as a generation and as a campus community!
Anoint this generation with the oil of gladness instead of mourning, and a garment of praise to break off the spirit of heaviness! (Isa. 61:3)

We declare the spirit of death and suicide is being broken off of our campus, that it has no place in the hearts and lives of young people any longer. We declare this generation will live and not die, and they will declare the works of the Lord! (Ps. 118:17) We pray a breaking off of rejection, isolation, loneliness, hopelessness and despair, and we speak the truth over a generation: “The LORD is the one who will go before you. He will be with you; he will not leave you or abandon you. Do not be afraid or discouraged.” (Deut. 31:8, CSB) In the name of Jesus, we silence the voice of the Accuser over a generation, and we declare deliverance from all thoughts of self-rejection and self-hatred. Instead, we release the Spirit of Adoption and sonship (Rom. 8:15), to see a whole generation adopted into the perfect love of the Father!

We release angelic protection all across our campus, over those who the enemy would try to victimize through sexual assault, violence or any kind of abuse (emotional, physical, mental or verbal). Deliver both the students and faculty who the enemy would try to victimize, as well as those who the enemy would try to raise up as perpetrators. Father, You are not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance! (2 Peter 3:9)

We declare that by the power of Jesus Christ our campuses are a suicide, drug, alcohol and promiscuity-free zone! Spirits of death, depression, oppression and hopelessness have no place on this campus, in Jesus’ mighty name.

“For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves“ (Col. 1:13, NIV).

Endnotes

2. Ibid.
5. Ibid.


Day 15: Atheists & Agnostics
For God to Encounter the Least Likely

One of the most amazing examples of God transforming a heart completely, from a persecutor to a pillar of the faith, is the story of Paul (Acts 9:1-22). While on the road to Damascus, to arrest and persecute believers—a man who had given approval to the stoning of Stephen—he had an encounter. This one encounter changed the course of his life forever. Not only that, it changed the course of history forever!

Who knew that this same man, who took it upon himself to destroy the early Church, would go on to become one of its greatest voices? Who knew that he would draw so many into the Kingdom of heaven, and even go on to write much of the New Testament? Yet, God saw beyond what the eyes of man could see, and He worked a complete transformation in the hardest of hearts!

When we see the atheists and agnostics on our campus—whether student or professor, or even popular atheist voices in the media today—do we see them with the eyes of men or with the eyes of God? Do we see them through the eyes of fear or do we see them through the eyes of faith? Are we intimidated by them or are we moved by the heart of God for them? Can we see beyond who they are now, to see who God desires to transform them into?

Will we respond to the heart of God—to love our “enemies” and to pray for those who persecute us? (Matt. 5:44-46) Who knows, if that very person we’re praying for, could become a brother or a sister one day? Who knows, if they could become the next catalyst for revival on your campus!

Prayer:

◆ We pray for the students and professors at ____(your campus)____, who consider themselves atheist—we thank You that they are only one encounter away from knowing You and walking with You, Jesus! Just as it only took one encounter to transform the heart of a man named Saul, into one of the greatest men of God in history—we ask that You would do the same for atheist students and professors on our campus! We ask for Saul-to-Paul transformation encounters for every atheist on our campus, that they would know beyond any shadow-of-a-doubt that You are real, and that You are turning their hearts to You. We pray for their salvation, and even more so, we pray that You would raise them up to become catalysts for revival all across our campus!

◆ We pray for atheists and agnostics who have grown up in the Church, but have turned away or fallen away from You. Draw them back to Yourself, by the Holy Spirit! Speak to them in undeniable ways. Clear up all confusion from their past experiences with the Church and with other believers. Heal them of every offense and wound, and show them what it truly means to know and to follow You, Jesus!
◆ We pray for believers at (your campus)—give them boldness to love the atheists and agnostics on our campus, and to fearlessly share the gospel with them. Anoint them to share the words of heaven, which will bypass the mind and go straight to the heart. Allow Your words to bring conviction and awaken the consciences of those who are lost, to see their true condition before You and their need to be saved! Cause many atheists and agnostics to surrender their hearts and lives to Jesus, in the days and months to come. We declare a great revival, among the atheists and agnostics of our campus, that will transform even the hardest of hearts!!

◆ Remove every veil that blinds the minds of atheist and agnostic students and professors. (2 Cor. 4:4) We ask You to bind every antichrist spirit, every spirit of offense, misunderstanding, pride, confusion and accusation that is over them. Remove their hardness of heart. Holy Spirit, open their eyes to see, open their ears to hear, open their hearts to respond—that they would turn to You in brokenness, humility and absolute surrender! (Matt. 13:15) Do this great work for Your glory alone—Father, Son and Holy Spirit—in Jesus’ mighty name, amen! (Isaiah 2:11)
Since 2007, there have been 172 school shootings on colleges and universities in the U.S. In 2017 alone, there were 21 shootings on college campuses.¹

With a typical school year being 150-180 days, this means that, on average, a shooting occurred once every seven to eight school days.²

In total, 122 have been killed, 198 have been injured in these attacks. These numbers only account for gun-related injuries or deaths, and do not take into account other incidents of violence by other means.³

The walls have been broken down over our college campuses and over this young generation. We are in need of watchmen and watch-women who will stand in the gap, and who will rebuild the walls over our campuses and communities, through prayer. It could mean the lives of our brothers, sisters, sons, daughters, fathers and mothers on campus!

Let’s declare Psalm 91 over our campus and over this next school year:

“Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the LORD, ‘He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.’”

“Surely he will save you from the fowler’s snare and from the deadly pestilence. He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.

“You will not fear the terror of night, nor the arrow that flies by day, nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday.

“A thousand may fall at your side, ten thousand at your right hand, but it will not come near you. You will only observe with your eyes and see the punishment of the wicked.

“If you say, ‘The LORD is my refuge,’ and you make the Most High your dwelling, no harm will overtake you, no disaster will come near your tent.

“For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways; they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone. You will tread on the lion and the cobra; you will trample the great lion and the serpent.

“Because he[b] loves me,’ says the LORD, ‘I will rescue him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name. He will call on me, and I will answer him; I will be with him
in trouble, I will deliver him and honor him. With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.” (NIV)

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◆ We declare that every scheme of the enemy hidden in darkness will be brought out into the light. Lord, remove the enemy’s protective covering and expose every plan of violence, terror and wickedness, to prevent them from being carried out on our college campus. We ask that You would shine Your light and expose the darkness, in order to protect the students and faculty on our campus.

◆ We bless our campus police and security forces to be alerted to every potential threat, and to be anointed to prevent every act of violence, apprehending those who are planning such evil. (Matt. 10:26) We release angelic security forces over our campus to patrol the dorms, the buildings, the social gathering spaces and the large venues of our campus. We release angels to link around our campus, and we declare that the Holy Spirit will be a wall of fire all around our campus, and the glory in our midst! (Zech. 2:5)

◆ Lord, we ask that Your presence would rest on our campus and release an atmosphere of safety, protection and life. We know that in the presence of the Good Shepherd, there is perfect peace. We ask that You would draw near and lead us beside still waters. Quiet our souls and cause us to rest in green pastures. (Psalm 23) Let our campus be known for the peace and presence of the Lord, flowing like a stream of living water.

◆ We ask that You would radically encounter those who have allowed the seeds of anger, violence, hatred and death to take root in their hearts. Let Your Holy Spirit dispel the darkness from their hearts, and let the power of Your perfect love begin to soften their hearts and draw them to repentance! We declare that even in the midst of plotting violence and evil, the conviction of the Holy Spirit would seize their hearts, and they would fall to their knees in heartfelt repentance. Release Your holy presence into their midst, bringing a holy fear of the Lord that will cause them to depart from evil. (Prov. 16:6, NKJV) Bring conviction of sin, righteousness and judgment over their hearts, that will lead to repentance and transformation, in Jesus’ mighty name! (John 16:8)

Endnotes


Day 17: The Issue of Life
Turning Hearts Toward the Unborn

Perhaps no other issue is more critical in our nation and in our day, than this one issue. God is bringing it to the forefront, before the eyes and conscience of a nation, to such a degree that we can no longer remain neutral. *If we do not side with God on this issue, He will begin to oppose us and He will begin to remove His Spirit from our midst.*

According to the Word of God, *life begins in the womb*:

> For it was You who created my inward parts; You knit me together in my mother’s womb. I will praise You because I have been remarkably and wonderfully made. Your works are wonderful, and I know this very well. My bones were not hidden from You when I was made in secret, when I was formed in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw me when I was formless; all my days were written in Your book and planned before a single one of them began.

- Psalm 139:13-16 (HCSB)

These verses tell us that while children may have been “unplanned” by their parents, once they are conceived, all of their days are being written and *planned* by our God, before even a single one comes to pass!

As Malachi 4:5-6 tells us, there must be a turning of the hearts of the fathers and mothers to the children, even if those fathers and mothers are 17-21 years of age. Especially among college students who have unexpectedly become parents, but also among faculty and staff, there *must* be a shift in the minds and hearts of a generation regarding the issue of life in the womb.

While we must never condone immorality within the Church, we must also not add the guilt of innocent bloodshed on top of this—for with such sins, an entire nation is in danger before the eyes of the Holy One, whose name is also Go’el—“the Avenger of Blood.”

With over 60 million innocent children who have been aborted in the womb since 1973, their blood *literally cries out* from the ground to the Father in heaven. (Gen. 4:10-11) We must, in turn, cry out for mercy over our land and plead the blood of Jesus to wash away the bloodguilt of our generation.

Even more than this, we must cry out for the *turning of the hearts of fathers and mothers* toward the children—for the mercy of God being released over our land is *entirely dependent* upon it!
Prayer:

◆ We come before Your throne of grace boldly, seeking mercy for our time of need. (Heb. 4:16) We know that we can only approach such a holy place through the blood of Your Son, Jesus (Heb. 10:19-20)—the pure and spotless Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world. (John 1:29) We plead the blood of Jesus over (your college), especially over the sins of sexual immorality and the shedding of innocent blood. We know that Your Word clearly reveals that both of these sins cause a defilement to come upon the land. (Num. 35:33; Lev. 18:24-28) We’re asking that even as we begin to humble ourselves, to pray, to seek Your face, and to turn from our wicked ways, we are believing that You will hear from heaven, forgive our sins and heal our land! (2 Chron. 7:14)

◆ Turn the hearts of young fathers and mothers toward their children, even of their families toward them. (Mal. 4:5-6) We pray for young men and women who are unexpectedly discovering they are parents, especially those outside of the marriage covenant. We pray that You would meet them in those secret places of anxiety, fear, shame and isolation, and that You would release Your Spirit of healing and restoration. In the name of Jesus, we declare the power of fear and shame is being broken, that it has no place in their hearts, and is no longer allowed to keep them in darkness. Rather, give them courage to confess their sins and bring them into the light, that they would receive mercy and complete forgiveness! (Prov. 28:13; 1 John 1:9) Give this young generation the gift of a clean conscience before God and man, and the strength to do what is right before Your eyes.

◆ We pray for safe places for these young people to go, to find the support they need through family, friends and other believers. We pray for words of life, hope, strength and healing to be given to these young parents at strategic moments. Through these words, rescue the lives of children in the womb and bring courage to young people to keep their children.

◆ We ask that through supernatural intervention (dreams, visions, words, divine appointments) that You would begin to reveal to young parents the purposes, plans and prophetic destiny that You have for their child in the womb! (Jeremiah 1:5) Let them begin to see glimpses into their child’s future calling, and through this, let them begin to see their own holy calling to bring forth this child into the world, and to raise him or her up in the ways of God! Instead of self-preservation, let them choose to lay down their lives for the next generation.

◆ Father, would You pour out the Spirit of Elijah upon this generation—to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to the fathers. We call forth a shift in the mind and heart of a generation, regarding the issue of life in the womb. Give Your people courage to side with You and to stand for life and for truth in this nation. In the mighty name of Jesus, amen!

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The “avenger of blood” is based upon Genesis 9:5-6.
Day 18: The Nations Are Gathered
An Outpouring of the Holy Spirit

“When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.”
—Acts 2:1-4 (NIV)

When the Holy Spirit was poured out in the Upper Room, the nations were all gathered together in one place. They heard the wonders of God being declared in their own languages, and were amazed! As a result of this outpouring, 3,000 were saved and the early Church was birthed!

The nations are once again gathering together in one place. Other nations are sending their best and brightest to be trained on the college campuses of America. What would happen if the Holy Spirit was poured out again, and all the nations began to see and hear the wonders of God on our colleges and universities?

This outpouring of the Spirit birthed the first great revival that touched the nations of the earth. Could we believe for another great outpouring that could touch the nations of the earth, beginning on our college campuses?

Prayer:

◆ Father, we recognize that You are setting up the nations for a divine visitation of Your Holy Spirit, right here on our college campuses! We acknowledge that we are in need of a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit—for we are powerless to be Your witnesses without it! Would You endue us with power from on high to be Your witnesses on our campus, in our city, in our state, in our nation, and among the nations of the earth! (Acts 1:8) Let every nation once again hear Your praises and wonders being declared in their own language, and let multitudes begin to be saved—by the power of the Holy Spirit!

◆ Lord, we’re asking that every nation and every tribe represented on our college campus would experience the baptism of the Holy Spirit and fire! (Matt. 3:11; Acts 2) We’re asking that You would raise up catalysts and carriers of revival—from every nation, people group and language—who will carry Your glory back to their nations and to the ends of the earth! Let them boldly proclaim the gospel without fear, and with signs and wonders following them! (Acts 14:3; Mark 16:15-20; Heb. 2:3-4)
◆ We pray for an Upper Room company of believers—united in one heart and one mind—who will wait on You in prayer until You pour out Your Holy Spirit over this campus! We are asking that You would unite Your people across campus ministries, churches, denominations, ethnicities and generations—that the fullness of Your promise and the fullness of Your presence would be restored in this generation! Send the Holy Spirit for Your name’s sake, for the sake of Your people who are helpless without You, and for the sake of the lost multitudes in every nation on the earth. In Jesus’ mighty name, amen!
One of the greatest revivals in history took place among the Moravians in 1727, “among a small community of believers from many different church backgrounds and denominations. They had come together in a place called Herrnhut, Germany, fleeing from religious persecution. Soon after they had settled in, the division and disunity became so intense among them (due to theological and denominational differences) that they were almost destroyed as a community!”

“In response, Count Zinzendorf gathered together the community and pleaded with them for reconciliation, unity and love.

‘On the same day, the Count entered into a covenant with the whole Congregation before the Lord. The (Moravians) unanimously promised, each for himself, in a most solemn manner, that they would be the faithful followers of our Saviour. They were ashamed of their former religious dissensions, and, with one consent, declared their determination to bury them all in oblivion. They renounced from the whole heart all self-love, self-will, disobedience, and spiritual pride. They wished to become truly poor in spirit, none sought to have the preference before others, and each of them desired to be taught by the Holy Ghost in all things.’

“As a result of this reconciliation, the presence of God began to pour out over their community. One day around 12 noon, while gathered at the church, God’s presence fell upon them so strongly, they were all facedown on the ground weeping, praying and singing until midnight (for 12 hours)! A few days later, as they gathered for a Communion service, they experienced an outpouring of God’s Spirit and revival began in their community!”

Prayers for a Movement of Unity:

◆ Father, we acknowledge that we have allowed division, disunity, isolation and pride to separate us from one another, as the Body of Christ on our campus. We have given into competition and accusation in our hearts toward brothers and sisters. We have not truly loved one another as a family, nor set aside our differences to see the fullness of Your Spirit pour out among us. We repent for our sins—both personally and corporately—which have kept Your presence from dwelling among us.

◆ We acknowledge our need for one another—that we will never enter the fullness of Your purposes until we humble ourselves, learning to value and honor one another. Forgive us for coming into agreement with an independent spirit, thinking we don’t need one another. We declare
our dependence on You for all things, and our interdependence upon one another to see the fullness of God on the earth! (1 Cor. 12:20-27)

◆ We pray for a Spirit of unity—that we would be one, just as Jesus and the Father are one—that the world would know that Jesus has been sent by the Father! (John 17:20-23) Make us of one heart and one mind, having all things in common, just as the early Church experienced in the Book of Acts. (Acts 2:44; 4:32) You said that when we learn to dwell together in unity as a family, there the blessing would be commanded—even life forevermore! (Psalm 133) We ask for that supernatural grace—make us one, Holy Spirit!

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Day 20: The Moravian Fire, Part II: A Prayer Movement

The Moravian Revival—Part II

Only a week after the great outpouring of the Spirit over the Moravians, they “soon came under the conviction that no one should be working unless someone was praying. In response, they entered into a 24-hour prayer covenant with one another, 24 men and 24 women, who each committed to pray 1 hour every other day. Others soon joined and the number grew to 70. This one prayer meeting ended up lasting for over 100 years! Along with this 100-year prayer meeting, came a 100-year revival that accompanied—the longest lasting revival known in history!”

“The fire must be kept burning on the altar continuously; it must not go out’ (Leviticus 6:13, NIV). Day and night, they never let the fire go out, but continued in worship, prayer, seeking and surrender. This is the power of day and night prayer in transforming revival. When cultivated in the right way, it will transform everything: individual hearts, community life and the nations of the earth!”

Prophetic Word for College Campuses (Given to Jaeson Ma)

“. . . the key to unlocking heaven and releasing revival over the campuses of our nation [will] be through raising up 24/7 Campus Houses of Prayer.”

Prayers for a Movement of 24-Hour Prayer:

◆ Father, we come into agreement with the prophetic word You have spoken over the college campuses of America. We declare that the fire on the altar will burn continuously on our campuses, and that it will never go out. We ask that the same revival fire that came upon the Moravians will come upon the college campuses of our state!

◆ In this hour, raise up movements of 24-hour prayer and worship on every college campus in our state, that will unlock heaven and release revival over this generation! We ask that You would birth a fire that would never go out, even until the return of Jesus! We say, “Let it be so, Lord.” Upon the altar of our hearts and upon the altar of our college campuses, we agree that there will not be a moment of any time, day or night, where someone is not lifting up the name of the Lord, crying out for revival, crying out for mercy, crying out for a visitation on our campuses!! In Jesus’ name, amen.

◆ We ask that our college campuses would become known for the presence of God. That You would come not just to visit, but that You would come to remain and to dwell among us! More than anything else in this life, we just want You. We want to give You a resting place on our colleges and universities, that a generation would know this Love worth living for and worth dying for! Draw a generation to Yourself, that we would never cease to worship, to pray, to encounter You and to
offer ourselves continually on the altar as a living sacrifice! Let a generation learn how to abide in You, that the fire on the altar of our hearts would never go out. Oh God, raise up Your house of prayer for ALL nations (Isa. 56:7) on our college campuses, in the mighty name of Jesus, amen!!

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"As the Moravians continued in 24-hour prayer, 7 days a week, they began to pray not just for their own community but also for other nations around them. And as they prayed, they began to fall in love with other nations, to the point where many of the believers in this small community began to go out as missionaries.

"The stories of how God moved among the Moravians are incredible. Some would actually try to sell themselves into slavery to reach the slaves of an atheist owner! Others willingly chose to enter into leper colonies, whose gates were heavily guarded—once you went in, you never came out ever again. Yet they went joyfully to share the love of Christ, and as soon as they would die, others were ready to take their place!

"History tells us that this small community of Moravians did more in missions in 20 years than ALL of the Protestant Church combined in the previous 200 years! In fact, the Moravians birthed the modern-day missions movement, and became the spark that ignited the First Great Awakening!"

"The Moravians were so ruined by the presence and love of God, that their hearts’ cry and missions’ motto became, ‘May the Lamb who was slain receive the reward of His suffering!’"

Prayer for a Missions Movement Birthed from Revival:

◆ Lord, we ask that out of this prayer movement that You are raising up on the college campuses, that we would see one of the greatest mission-sending movements that the world has ever seen! We ask that You would begin to anoint hearts and commission young and old, from the place of prayer! We ask that prayer rooms all over our state would become birthing rooms for the purposes and dreams of God!

◆ We ask for a wave of Your Holy Spirit that would flood the nations with the glory of God! All across this earth, by the power of Your Holy Spirit, would You awaken and revive a generation for Your name’s sake! Anoint, raise up and send out hundreds of missionaries from our campuses, our cities and our state—to carry Your revival fire to the nations of the earth! We ask that tens of thousands, hundreds of thousands, even millions of souls would be saved through the laborers that are commissioned here in this state! We want souls to be saved in every tribe, nation and tongue—every people group to know the presence and glory of God!

◆ We ask that these missionaries that will be raised up would be rooted and established in the love of Christ (Eph. 3:17-19), that they would draw from the Father’s heart, and know their identity and calling in You. We ask that their ultimate desire in being sent out, would be the same as
the Moravians—“that the Lamb who was slain would receive the reward of His sufferings!” Let them see that You are beautiful and that You are worthy—and let their heart’s cry be that they could give You something that You are worthy of! Let this generation break the alabaster jar and pour out everything at Your feet. Let us give You the greatest offering of love that we could ever give—the offering of our very lives, poured out for the sake of Love. Let us see that You are worthy and that You are worthy of it all. Jesus, receive the reward of Your suffering—through the laying down of our lives and the offering of our hearts. We know the time is short, and we only have one life to give. May we give You a wholehearted offering of love that will be remembered forever in heaven’s history—as a generation and as a state—in Your name we pray, amen!!!

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