

REVIVAL

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Teaching Title: The Tone of the Groan (Short Version)

- I. Living in the Spirit
 - a. "I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you." (1 Corinthians 14:18, ESV)
 - b. Boring, predictable, soul-driven prayer will never save a nation. (Revelation Driven Prayer)
 - i. "The adventure begins when we allow God to reveal His requests to us."
 - c. Corey Russell emphasizes that tongues move us beyond mere rational prayer into mystery, revelation, and deeper spiritual power.
 - i. We are called to live in the Spirit!
 - d. "For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit." (Romans 8:5, ESV)
 - i. This doesn't mean we live by "spiritual principles," but rather by the very wind and breath of God. The pneuma.
 1. Just as with the fruits of the spirit we aren't attempting to be more loving, but rather the love of God explodes out of us as we live in him, living by the Spirit is similar.
 2. When we are in the Spirit, there is an outflow of the wind and breath of God.
 3. We see this in Acts 2:
 - a. "And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." (Acts 2:2-4, ESV)
 - i. Wind also translates as breath; The breath of God.
- II. Corporate Tongues
 - a. Corey Russell says, "Tongues have a mission dimension: they prepare the spirit for action and break barriers."
 - i. The emphasis must be endurance and depth.
 - ii. Revival culture isn't built overnight.
 - iii. With the foundation of Scripture set in place, corporate tongues is the quickest route to seeing revival manifest.
 - b. The most catalytic focus of our ministry over the last thirty years has been strategic, fiery prayer meetings.
 - i. Tongues drives those meetings.
 - c. Secret Prayer shifted atmospheres.
 - i. Non-stop praying in tongues for two hours.
 - d. When we start living in the supernatural realm, supernatural things begin to happen.
 - i. We have to be careful not to judge the supernatural by the natural.
 - ii. This will kill a movement of the Holy Spirit.
 1. "And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual. The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he

is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned.” (1 Corinthians 2:13–14, ESV)

- iii. Supernaturally-driven prayer will launch a church into an entirely different realm.
 - 1. Dreams, visions, manifestations of glory, groans of intercession, critical revelation, etc. will become normal.
 - 2. “I don’t tolerate the manifestations of the Holy Spirit. I celebrate them.” ~Larry Sparks
 - 3. We will shift from “church as usual” into something that is rare in this nation.
- iv. “Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words.” (Romans 8:26, ESV)
 - 1. These are deep, audible expressions that can’t be formed into words.
 - 2. Groanings = to moan and groan
 - 3. “When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled,” (John 11:33, KJV 1900)
 - 4. It’s time we as a church are moved!
 - a. There’s death over our nation that must be confronted!
 - 5. “Then Jesus, again groaning in Himself, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone lay against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” (John 11:38–39, NKJV)
 - 6. “When he had said these things, he cried out with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out.”” (John 11:43, ESV)
 - a. Cried = with a loud voice
 - b. It’s time for a cry from the depths of our spirits!
- e. The Power of Tongues
 - i. It is critical for every Believer.
 - 1. “And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues;” (Mark 16:17, ESV)
 - 2. “And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.” (Acts 2:4, ESV)
 - 3. The whole house was filled and everyone was on fire!
 - ii. John G. Lake called tongues “the making of my ministry,” and Smith Wigglesworth prayed in tongues continually.
 - iii. TONGUES OF FIRE MUST RAGE. EVERY CHURCH. EVERY SERVICE. EVERY PERSON.
 - iv. Story: Julia and the Prep Room at IHOP.