

REVIVAL: Expect Regeneration

EZEKIEL 36:22-32

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Expect Regeneration When Expecting Revival

1. Expect Revival's New **Health** (22-25).

2. Expect Revival's New **Heart** (22-25, 26-27, 31).

3. Expect Revival's New **Home** (28-32).

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"Therefore say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord God: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. ²³And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the Lord, declares the Lord God, when through you I vindicate my holiness before their eyes. ²⁴I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. ²⁵I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you.

²⁶And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. ²⁷And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

²⁸You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God. ²⁹And I will deliver you from all your uncleannesses. And I will summon the grain and make it abundant and lay no famine upon you.

³⁰I will make the fruit of the tree and the increase of the field abundant, that you may never again suffer the disgrace of famine among the nations. ³¹Then you will remember your evil ways, and your deeds that were not good, and you will loathe yourselves for your iniquities and your abominations. ³²It is not for your sake that I will act, declares the Lord God; let that be known to you. Be ashamed and confounded for your ways, O house of Israel. (ESV).

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APPLICATION QUESTIONS

These questions are for further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help your fight for life change. One of the best ways to grow in the body is discussing the answers to these questions in a small group. Find one here: www.centralchurch.com/groups

1. The hope of cleansing is one of the most blessed thoughts of guilty sinners. Jesus has come as our high priest to sprinkle us with cleansing water. What would the result be if we considered our cleansing from sin's defilement daily?
2. Describe the three acts of God that allow us to have a new disposition towards sin and obedience to God. How would you describe these acts of God for someone who is not a believer?
3. Verse 28-32 describes the believer's "home." Why does this new home have such appeal and stability that the garden of Eden and the Promised Land lacked? What makes the difference? How does the strength and permanence of this passage provide us peace?

Quote for the Week. . .

by Erwin Lutzer



Despite its foundational Christian heritage, America is rapidly degenerating into a godless society. The church in America, although highly visible and active, appears powerless to redirect the rushing secular currents. Mired in a moral and spiritual crisis, America's only hope is a national revival, like God has graciously bestowed in the past.

Erwin Lutzer, America's Spiritual Crisis, Revival Commentary, v. 1, n. 2, p. 12.