

**Restoring/Rekindling
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Restoration Is A Process

Sun. 10:30 a.m.
November 12



THANK GOD
for
GOD





Growing Together and praying
together as a congregation.

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER MEETING

Sunday – 10:30 a.m.

November 19th



Josiah's Six-Point Restoration Movement

2 Kings 23

- **Restored Regular Reading of God's Word (verses 1-9)**
- **Corrected the Worship (verses 4-6)**
- **Corrected Offices (verse 5)**
- **Corrected Moral Problems (verses 7, 10)**
- **Removed Innovations (verse 8)**
- **Did Not Stop Until the Job Was Completed (verses 12-25)**

The Restoration Process Continues...

- **We must not stop until the job is complete!**
 - **We have not “arrived” (Jude 3).**
 - **Plenty of work to do!**
 - **No room for complacency (Hebrews 6:1) Press on!**

“Those who become disciples of the discoverers soon become the enemies of discovery.”

The Restoration Process Continues...

- **True Restoration is 3-fold:**

- ***Congregational***

- ***Generational***

- ***Personal***

- **We stand before God as individuals—not as congregations.**
- **Each of us shall give account of *himself* to God (Rom 14:12).**

“We are just one generation away from apostasy.”

The Restoration Process Continues...

- **Real Genuine Spiritual Restoration**
 - **Take a stand against apathy, externalism, worldliness...**
 - **Yield oneself to God and His will**
 - **Have a real sense of God's presence**
 - **True revival is God's work (Ephesians 3:20)**
 - **Die to self and let God work**

Six Points of the **Second Restoration**



#1. Rediscover Personal Spirituality

- Daily relationship with God

**“Not a way of looking
at certain things, but
believe or do, but a life
a certain way of
to live.”
looking at all things.”**

#2. Realization of a Deep Dependence on God

- **Manifested in our speech**
- **God is REAL and working...**



#3. Understanding that Spiritual Satisfaction Is Not Found Simply in Doctrinal Orthodoxy

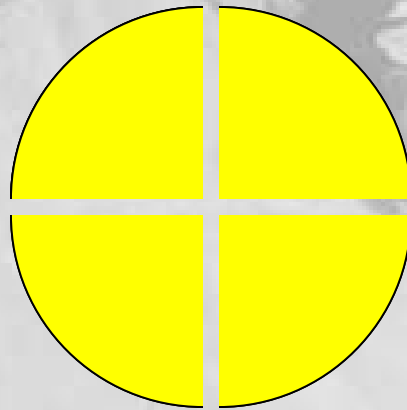
- **It is important to be correct.**
- **But it is more than an intellectual exercise.**

**Walk prudently when you go to the house of God;
and draw near to hear rather than to give the
sacrifice of fools, for they do not know that they
do evil.**

-- Ecclesiastes 5:1

#4. Insist Upon the Example of the Early Church

- **Take all of it...not just part**
- **Hold onto all parts!**



#5. Must Strive for Balance in Weightier Matters

- **Must not major in minors...**
- **Not an “either...or” – hold to both!**

“Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law: justice and mercy and faith. These you ought to have done, without leaving the others undone.”

-- Matthew 23:23

#6. Emphasize a Deep Trust in the Power of God and a Willingness To Not Be Ashamed

“For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.”

-- Acts 4:20