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Spreading the Word

We are now about two weeks away from our Revival! Are you praying for this important work? Who have you invited to come join us? Every time of worship is special, but there are times when we give special emphasis to what we do, and I believe it is a good thing. The upcoming revival is a time for all of us to do the best we can to invite others to come join us. We are working with the newspaper, radio, post office, and social media in order to get out the word that we have a special message we want our community to come hear. I was meeting with Bobby Daniels yesterday working on maps for our efforts in going door to door to invite others to our meeting. Flyers, postcards, letters, and banners are designed and ready to go!

This Sunday morning, we will take some time talking about ways we can all be involved in sharing the gospel by telling others we want them to come be with us. The question arises, why are we spending all this time, energy and resources to let others know about our Revival! Because we are called on to Go (Matthew 28:19,20), and we believe that the gospel of Jesus Christ is the power of God to save all those who believe (Romans 1:16). We want to spread the word, and this takes time, focus and hard work, but what better work could we be involved in during the next two and a half weeks then letting others see their need for Revival! Thanks for your work and I'll see you Sunday!

John

Only Servants

I Corinthians 3:5 *What, after all, is Apollos? And what is Paul? Only servants through whom you came to believe – as the Lord has assigned to each his task.*

The church as Corinth had many problems but the one Paul chose to address first was the division among the congregation. The division was caused by the improper attachment to preachers. The church was divided by the members allegiance. Some looked up to Paul, others looked up to Apollos while other were deeply connected to Peter. Not only did they look up to their individual but they also did not look near as highly on the other men. Paul first addressed this issue by stating all of these men as well as any others were simply servants of Jesus. This lesson must still be learned today. Certainly there are men more gifted in their presentation of the gospel. Some men are more exciting than others in their delivery but the key question is simply this: Did they faithfully present the gospel of Jesus Christ? Every minister desires that lives be brought closer to the Lord. Most times several Christians are involved in the conversion of an individual. Often more than one person has taught and encouraged you to become a Christian.

Paul said that he planted the seed. He taught many people. Some responded quickly but many took time. Apollos watered the seed. He played a necessary role but the key thing is that God made it grow. In a garden, we can plant seed and we can water it but we can't make it grow. That is God's process. Most reading this that are Christians had many people involved in your conversion. Thank God that they were there to lead and guide you with the truth of God's word. Never forget that any preacher is simply a servant of God. We are all trying to make it to the same place.

Joe

