**CHAPEL OF HIS RESURRECTION**

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**BIBLE STUDY OUTLINE**

**THEME: REVIVE YOUR WORK (PEOPLE) IN THE MIDST OF THE YEARS.**

**TOPIC: THE FIRST CENTURY CHURCH: CASE STUDY OF GENUINE REVIVAL**

**TEXT: ACTS: 2:42-47**

**Aim: The aim of this study is to examine the characteristics of the early church and draw examples from their lifestyle that will help the church today to be revived.**

**INTRODUCTION**

The Flaming Herald defines revival as “when the saints return to normal, when the Holy Spirit becomes their oxygen, when a hunger to know God is the norm, when being conformed to his image is their focus, when evangelism and discipleship become a lifestyle." Undoubtedly, these were the qualities of the early church and little wonder they were able to turn the world “upside down.” The church today has a lot to learn from the early church to be in a position to play her role and influence her generation for God. May the Lord help us through this study to encounter Him and experience genuine revival.

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

1. Identify the qualities of the 1st century Church from the following passages. Acts 2:42-47; 4:13; 13:5-12; 1 Thes 1:6-8
2. Is the Church today different from the early Church?

2Tim 3: 1-8; Rev 3:1, 15-17; Phil 3:18-19

1. What lessons can we learn from the 1st century church?

Acts 4:18-20; 29-34.5:40-42

1. Identify the factors that are responsible for the state of the church today

1 Cor. 3:1-4; 2Tim. 4:10; Isaiah 59:1-2; 64:7.

1. How can the church experience true revival? Rev. 3:17-20; Jude 3; Acts 1:8; Zach. 10:1.
2. Discuss the effect of true revival in the church and the society in general .

Psalm 85:6-12; Isaiah 64:1-3; 2 Chron. 7:14.

**CONCLUSION**

Revival is a time when God is truly seen as God – In His glorious majesty. This is what we desperately need.

**Memory Verse** – Turn us again, O Lord God of hosts, cause thy face to shine and we shall be saved – Psalms 80:19.