

Introduction of the Advent Series: Revival!

Main Point of the Series: *The God of the Bible has been working His purposes throughout history, wants to be known, and brings revival. How do we meet God in Revival?*

All “Revivals” have the following characteristics:

- Repentance of sin and a **willingness** to surrender (Advent 1 – *Being a willing weapon in the revival*)
- Prayer, **listening** and communion with God (Advent 2 – *Preparing for battle in silence and waiting*)
- Experiencing blessing in **Christian community** and serving others...(Advent 3 – *Lock shields with friends to strengthen the line*)
- Usually begins with the next generation or youth or **those on the fringe** who are willing...(Advent 4 – *God’s Spirit unleashed on anyone*)
- Renewed love for God and **Commitment** to God’s purposes (Christmas Day – *What are you waiting for?*)

Revival: A Willing Weapon (1st Sunday of Advent)

Scripture: Luke 1:26-38 NLT (King David – rooted in history...”everything said about me...”)

Main Point: *Being a Willing Weapon in Revival...that is where the Holy Spirit moves and Ghost Child lives (where your surrender meets the movement, will and essence of God)*

A Willing Servant:

- **1904 Revivals:**
- **The Virgin Mary:**

The Difficulty Surrounding Revival:

1. Difficulty of epic proportions: God is *One*.
2. Difficulty for Mary.
3. Difficulty in the family and community
4. Accepting Difficulty

Ghost Child: The Holy Spirit at the Center of Revival in Jesus: