

# EPISODE TWO - REVIVAL PRAYER STEVE UPPAL & JAMES ALADIRAN

### STEVE UPPAL SPEAKS WITH JAMES ALADIRAN. PRAYER STORM

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# THE CONNECTION BETWEEN REVIVAL AND PRAYER

Prayer is the starting point, the main pathway to prepare for, or pull in, what God intends. It leads to changes in our lives but consecration without prayer/intimacy with God leads to legalism. The relationship is the starting point. Start with intimacy with God, a nearness that is sometimes not in words. We need to acknowledge our deficiencies and allow Holy Spirit to empower us. Then God entrusts His secrets to us and leads us in prayer.

We do not pray to earn God's love but prayer and fasting is preparation to receive from Him.

Our aim is not revival but loving God first and most and to see His mission unfold on the earth. Vision dictates lifestyle. Sustainable habits/rhythms are better than rushing into a big challenge: We need to commit to prayer for the long haul.

If we pray intensely when there isn't a crisis we are rightly positioned to handle a crisis.

## KEY SCRIPTURES - WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY?

**Haggai 2:9** - the glory of the latter house will exceed the former: the coming glory of the church will be greater than in Acts!

**Joel 2:28** - the outpouring will be multi-generational, so children need to be included in intercessory prayer

**James 5** - rain came in response to prayer and the fruit came because farmers were faithful in planting even though it was dry at the time.





## **QUOTES**

"When the rain comes, there had better be seed in the ground!"

"We find different expressions of prayer in different people as we pursue the Lord - based on the different parts we have to play."

"Rules plus regulations minus relationship = rebellion and resentment."

"Pray: Lord, stir me to thirst for you more."

"Worship and prayer are two sides of the same coin - intimacy."

"Relationship is realised in the context of communication."

"Prayer is often driven by a crisis but let's be rightly positioned to handle the crisis."

## CONVERSATION/REFLECTION TIME - WHAT DO WE THINK?

- 1. Why is prayer with fasting important?
- 2. What sort of rhythms in my life will keep me rightly positioned to handle a crisis.
- 3. How can I develop intimacy with God in practice in the next month?

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