

A background image of a dense forest of evergreen trees shrouded in thick fog or mist, creating a somber and atmospheric setting.

Do You Really Want “Revival?”

Elements of True Conversion & Awakening

1 Thessalonians 1-2

“Revival” in Scripture

- Psalm 85:6 – “*revive*”
- Ezra 9:8 – “*reviving*”
- 1 Samuel 14:27, 29 – “*eyes became bright*”

“Revival” Is for Christians

- Romans 12:1-2 – “*by the renewing of your mind*”
- Revelation 2-3 – “*repent*”
- The focus of many Epistles

“Revival” Is for Christians

- “Always reforming” was the heartbeat of *The Reformation*.
- “Living a life of daily repentance” is the call for every Christian. **(Philippians 3)**

“Revival” Is for Christians

- Conversion (or “Awakening”) is for unbelievers!
- The **common denominator** for both revival and conversion is **true submission to God’s Word and His Authority.**

A Spiritual Awakening Came to Thessalonica!

1 Thessalonians 1-2 (Acts 17:1-9)

- 1. They believed God's Word, submitted to His authority, and obeyed His Word. (1:4-8; 2:13)**
- 2. They repented from idolatry and turned to worship the one true God of Heaven. (1:9-10)**

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- 3. They had a change of citizenship from the Kingdom of Darkness to the Kingdom of God (Light). (2:9-12)**
- 4. They were made alive through the ministry of the Holy Spirit. (1:6)**

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- 5. They found true rest in Christ and were faithfully awaiting His promised return. (1:10)**
- 6. They were willing to suffer loss and persecution to obey and follow Jesus Christ. (2:13-14)**

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7. They were no longer slaves to sin but were now children of God—and He was their Father. (1:3-4; 3:11-13)

How About You?
***Is Biblical Salvation/Conversion
Evident in Your Life?***

- Are you submitting to God's Word and Authority?
- Are you living a life of daily repentance from sin towards holiness?
- Are you living as a citizen of God's Kingdom or as a citizen of the Kingdom of Darkness?

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- Are you submitting to the indwelling ministry of the Holy Spirit and bearing His fruit?
- Are you resting in Jesus Christ instead of in the artificial rest of this world?
- Are you willing to suffer earthly loss and persecution to follow Jesus Christ?

How About You?
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- Are you living as a servant of Christ or as a servant of sin?
- Are you living righteously as an adopted child of God? Are you honoring Him by obeying His commands?

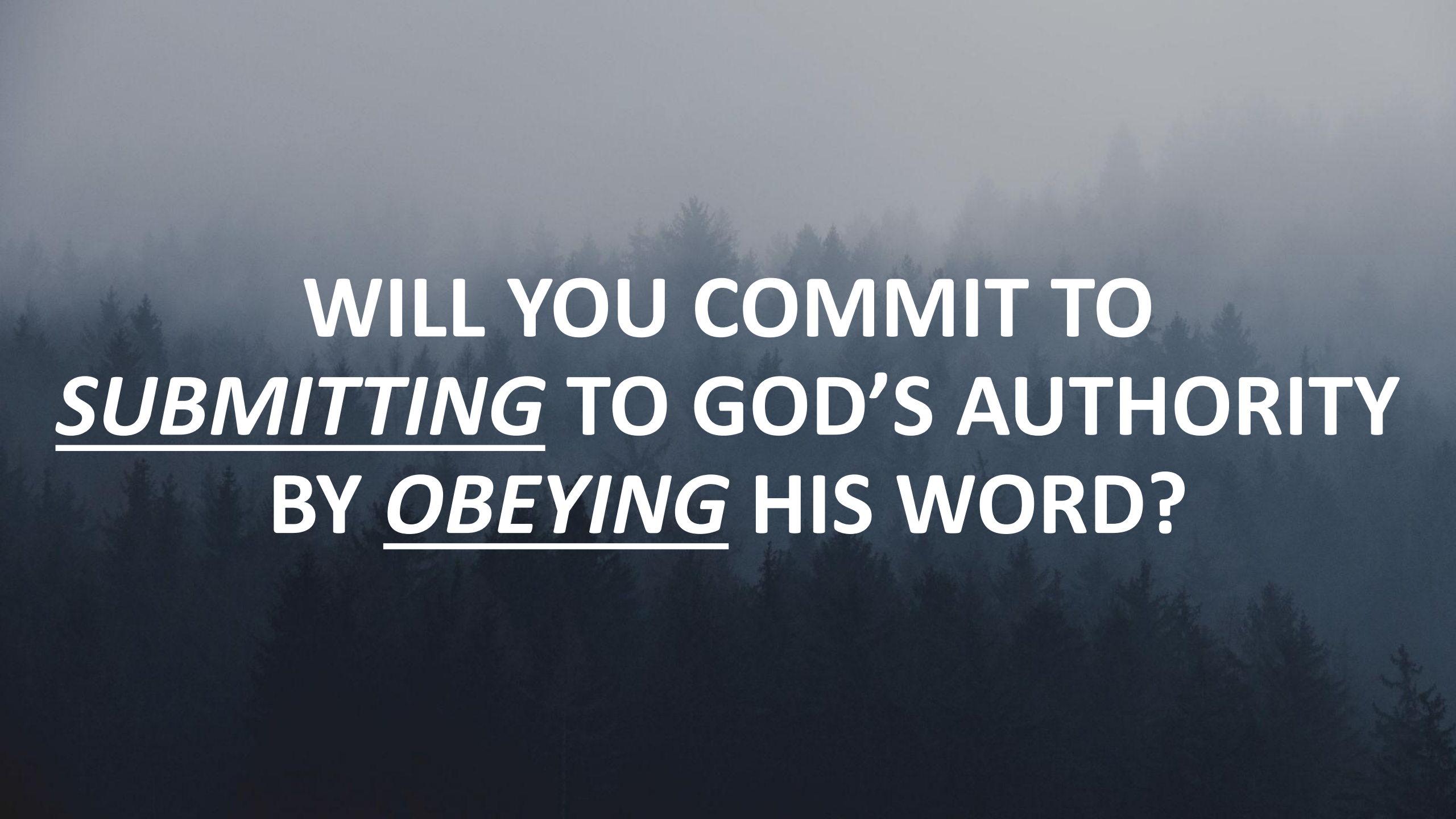


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ARE YOU WILLING TO OBEY?

BIG IDEA:

True revival comes
when Christians submit
to God's authority
by obeying His Word.



WILL YOU COMMIT TO
SUBMITTING TO GOD'S AUTHORITY
BY *OBEYING* HIS WORD?