**"Praying for Revival and Spiritual Awakening"**

**II Chronicles 7:10-22**

"Civilizations die from suicide, not by murder." -- Arnold Toynbee

**I. America is not guaranteed a “pass” because of our “past” (vs.19-22)**

**II. Believers are to prepare their lives and pray for Spiritual Awakening (vs. 14a)**

**You don’t have revival by seeking revival; you have revival by first seeking God.**

1. Humble yourself - subdue pride; recognize your dependence on God
2. Pray – Acknowledge sin and plead for God’s mercy.

James Warren wrote Samuel Adams July 1775:

"*Three millions of people on their knees at once, supplicating the aid of Heaven, is a striking circumstance, and a very singular one in America . May the blessings of Heaven follow in answer to our prayers..."*

1. Seek God’s face – phrase used in desperate situations in which God is the only possible hope for deliverance.
2. Turn from your wicked ways – complete change of direction away from sin and toward God.

III. God responds to the prayers of faithful believers (vs. 14b-15)

God’s Response: (vs. 14b)

* 1. God will hear our prayers
  2. God will forgive our sins
  3. God will heal our land - withdraw judgment / powerful movement of God’s Spirit