DAY 20 SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18

"Believers must confess all sins, put away all doubt, obey all promptings of the Holy Spirit immediately and publicly confess Christ." —Evan Roberts

"Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you?" Psalm 85:6



TODAY'S DEVOTIONAL:

Evan Roberts prayed for 13 years before the Welsh Revival broke out at the turn of the 20th Century. If we followed his appeal to confess our sins, put away doubt, obey the Spirit's promptings and publicly confess our faith it could create fertile ground for revival. If we don't have love though, we could do all that and still quench the Spirit. No love, no revival. Jesus said, "As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciple..." John 13:34-35

I remember singing "They will know us by our love" when I was a child during the Jesus Movement of the 60's & 70's. What if we asked God to help us love one another? What if pastors prayed for opportunities to build bridges with pastors in the community they don't always get along with? What if prayers for love and unity marked every church gathering? What if we really did love one another as Jesus loved us? Then we could pray to God "Revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you" as we sing "They will know us by our love."

TODAY'S PRAYER FOR GOD'S PEOPLE:

Father, we live in the most divisive time of our lives. And our churches often reflect that division rather than resist it. Remind us of your great love for us so our gratitude will compel us to love one other.

TODAY'S PRAYER FOR THE PEOPLE ON YOUR LIST:

Father, let our love for one another in the church spill over to love for our community. Show us tangible ways to love those who are far from God so they can see the love of Jesus in us.

