

# MSG: BACK TO LIFE

SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 3:1-3 NLT

SZN 2: REVIVAL THROUGH LOVING

**Matthew 3:1-3 NLT**

“In those days John the Baptist came to the Judean wilderness and began preaching. His message was, “Repent of your sins and turn to God, for the Kingdom of Heaven is near.” The prophet Isaiah was speaking about John when he said, “He is a voice shouting in the wilderness, ‘Prepare the way for the Lord’s coming! Clear the road for him!’”

**INTRO:**

OUR VISION, BUILDING BROKEN LIVES BACK TO LIFE

## 1. UNUSUAL PEOPLE COME BACK TO LIFE IN CHRIST

**Matthew 3:4 NLT**

“John’s clothes were woven from coarse camel hair, and he wore a leather belt around his waist. For food he ate locusts and wild honey.”

## REVIVAL HAPPENS WHEN THE UNUSUAL ARE BEING USED

John was strange, unusual and outside of the norm. But REFORM THE NORM!

## REVIVAL HAPPENS IN UNUSUAL PLACES

-Wilderness of Judea wasn't the main focus

-It was an obscure place!

God is not bound by geography of the day!

## REVIVAL HAPPENS WITH A UNUSUAL WORD

PREACHING THE WORD IS ALWAYS ASSOCIATED WITH REVIVAL

## REVIVAL HAPPENS WHEN THE UNSUAL ARE BEING BROUGHT INTO THE KINGDOM

### 2. UNLIKELY PEOPLE COME BACK TO LIFE WHEN WE REPENT

**Matthew 3:8 NLT**

**“Prove by the way you live that you have repented of your sins and turned to God.”**

Repent is an action word not a feeling

#### **CHANGE YOUR MENTALITY**

Say this with me...

**I NEED A REVIVAL MENTALITY**

#### **CHANGE YOUR MIND ABOUT YOUR SIN**

#### **CHANGE YOUR CONFESSION OF SIN**

#### **CHANGE YOUR CHARACTER**

TRUE REVIVAL DOES SOMETHING IN OUR LIVES!

WITHOUT REPENTANCE THERE IS NO REVIVAL!

REPENTANCE BRINGS REVIVAL!

### 3. UNEXPECTED MESSAGE OF THE KINGDOM INVITES PEOPLE TO COME BACK TO LIFE

**Matthew 3: 11 NLT**

**“I baptize with water those who repent of their sins and turn to God. But someone is coming soon who is greater than I am—so much greater that I’m not worthy even to be his slave and carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.”**

**THE MESSAGE OF REVIVAL IS THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS HERE**

**GOD IS HERE!**

**THE MESSAGE OF REVIVAL INVITES THE POWERFUL SENSE OF PRESENCE OF GOD**

**THE MESSAGE OF REVIVAL GLORIFIES THE NAME OF JESUS**

John’s main message was a Response to Jesus coming!

**PREPARE FOR FUTURE WORK!**

**THIS IS WHY WE ARE BUILDING BROKEN LIVES BACK TO LIFE!**