

THE CHURCH & SPIRITUAL AWAKENING

Philemon 1:4-6

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“I always thank my God as I remember you in my prayers, ⁵ because I hear about your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love for all the saints. ⁶ I pray that you may be active in sharing your faith, so that you will have a full understanding of every good thing we have in Christ.”

Philemon 1:4-6 (NIV)*

TODAY'S BIG IDEA:

**IN SPIRITUAL AWAKENING, RIVERBLUFF CHURCH
MUST BE ACTIVE IN PRAYING & SHARING JESUS
WITH THOSE YET TO KNOW JESUS.**

TO DO THIS WE MUST RENEW OUR COMMITMENT...

1.TO THE _____ OF CHRISTIANITY.

“Now the Holy Spirit tells us clearly that in the last times some will turn away from the true faith; they will follow deceptive spirits and teachings that come from demons.”
1 Timothy 4:1 (New Living Translation)

“...evil men and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. ¹⁴ But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, ¹⁵ and how from infancy you have known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. ¹⁶ All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, ¹⁷ so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.”

2 Timothy 3:13-17

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2. ...TO CULTIVATING _____ FOR THE LOST.

“Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold”

Matthew 24:12

“I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³ For I could wish that I myself were cursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, those of my own race ⁴ the people of Israel.”

Romans 9:2-4

3. ...TO LOVING _____.

*“I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked men, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false. ³ You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name, and have not grown weary. ⁴ Yet I hold this against you: **You have forsaken your first love.** ⁵ Remember the height from which you have fallen! Repent and do the things you did at first. If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place.”*

Revelation 2:2-5

*“Jesus replied, ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind.’ ³⁸ This is the **first and greatest commandment.** ³⁹ The second most important is similar: ‘Love your neighbor as much as you love yourself.’ ”*

Matthew 22:37-39 (The Living Bible)