II Chron 7:13-14 When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command the locust to devour the land, or send pestilence among my people, if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

II Chron 7:14 if my people who are called by my name

I Peter 2:9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

I. How can we prepare our hearts for a reawakening?

A. Humbly depend on God.

II Chron 7:14 if my people who are called by my name humble themselves

John 15:4-5 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

The evidence of humility in your life is prayer.

II Chron 7:14 if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray ...

“Ordinarily we would rather do anything than pray. But it is only when we wait before God in desperate, believing, fervent, unhurried prayer that the reviving, energizing power of the Spirit of God is poured out.”- William MacDonald

Am I walking in humility?

B. Passionately seek after God.

II Chron 7:14 if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face ...

The evidence of seeking after God in your life is repentance.

II Chron 7:14 if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways

“All week through the media of movies, videos, and television Christians entertain themselves with depictions of the very sins for which Christ died. Yet in most cases, these Christians are not the least bit grieved by this…And that is the nature of a hard heart. When what grieves God no longer grieves you, your heart is hard. When what bothers God doesn’t bother you anymore, your heart is hard.”- Andy Stanley

I John 1:6 If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.

Isa 59:1-2 Behold, the LORD’s hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, or his ear dull, that it cannot hear; but your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you so that he does not hear.
Am I walking in holiness?

II. What happens when we humbly depend on and passionately seek after God?
   
   A. God will give us his attention.

   **II Chron 7:14** … *then I will hear from heaven …*

   **Ps 66:18-19** *If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened. But truly God has listened; he has attended to the voice of my prayer.*

   B. God will help us.

   **II Chron 7:14** … *and will forgive their sin …*

   **I John 1:9** *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

   C. God will restore what was once broken.

   **II Chron 7:14** … *and heal their land*

   **II Chron 7:15** *Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayer that is made in this place.*

   “What God in His sovereignty may yet do on a world-scale I do not claim to know: but what He will do for the plain man or woman who seeks His face I believe I do know. Let any man turn to God in earnest, let him begin to exercise himself unto godliness, let him seek to develop his powers of spiritual growth by trust and obedience and humility, and the results will exceed anything he may have hoped for.” - A.W. Tozer

   The only one who can reawaken our hearts is **God** himself.

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