


REVAMP

ALIGNING OURSELVES TO GOD'S AGENDA





Definition of Revamp:

1. To patch up, restore or renovate
2. To revise or reconstruct

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Ropes Tying Us Down

- Consumerism & Non-commitment
- Complacency & Compromise
- Cynicism & Criticism



Consumerism & Non-commitment

- Root Cause: Self-centredness
- God and Church are just products for my use
- My View of God: He is useful to bless, protect, provide, heal and meet my needs. I run my own life!
- My View of Church: A community to feed me, care for my family, give me fellowship. I owe no allegiance to her and I have no time to serve others!



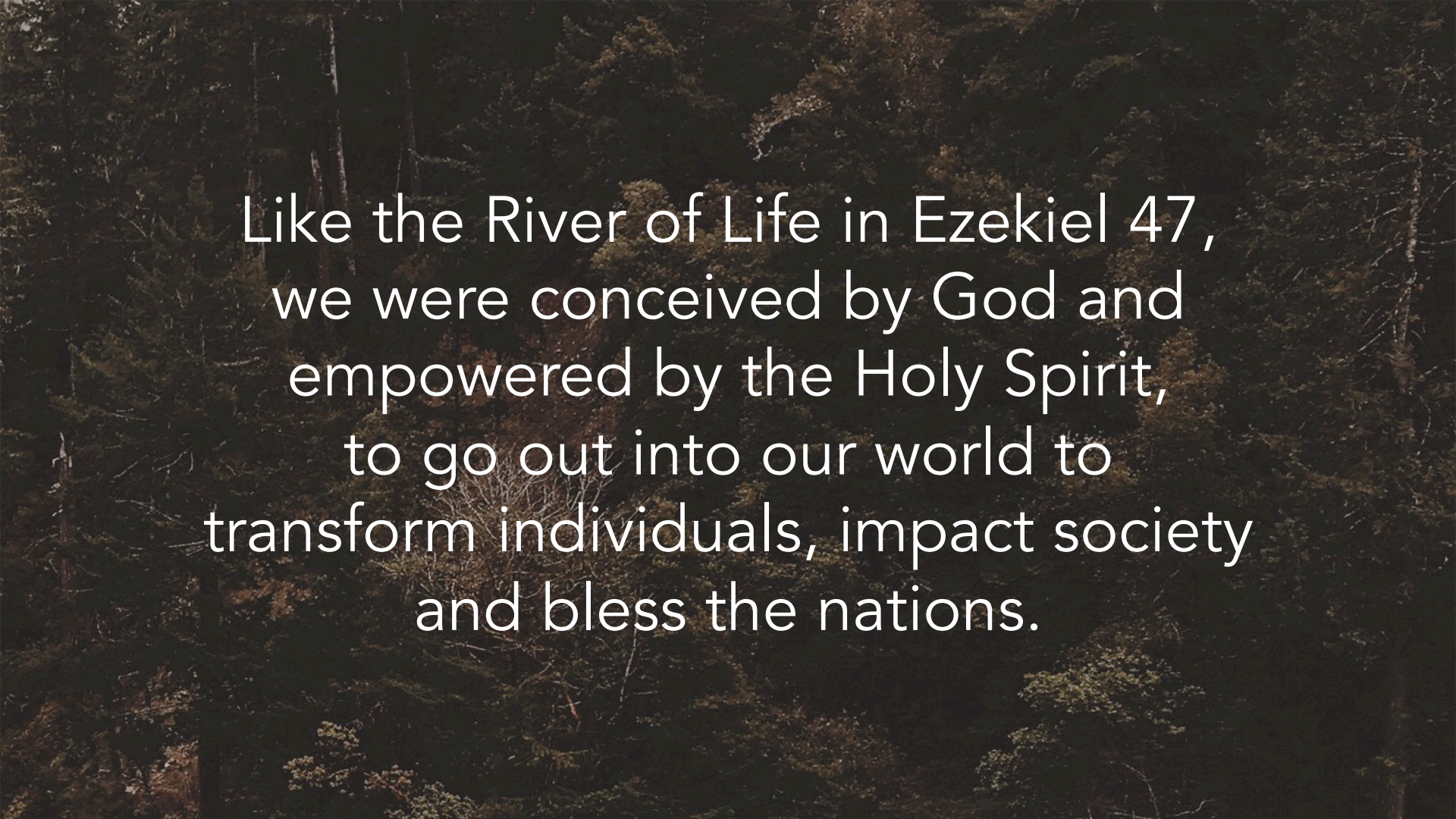
It's time for RiverLife to wake up from
its spiritual complacency and break free
from its constricting ropes!

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3. God wants to involve us in a fresh season of ministry soon



We were born to be a missional people!



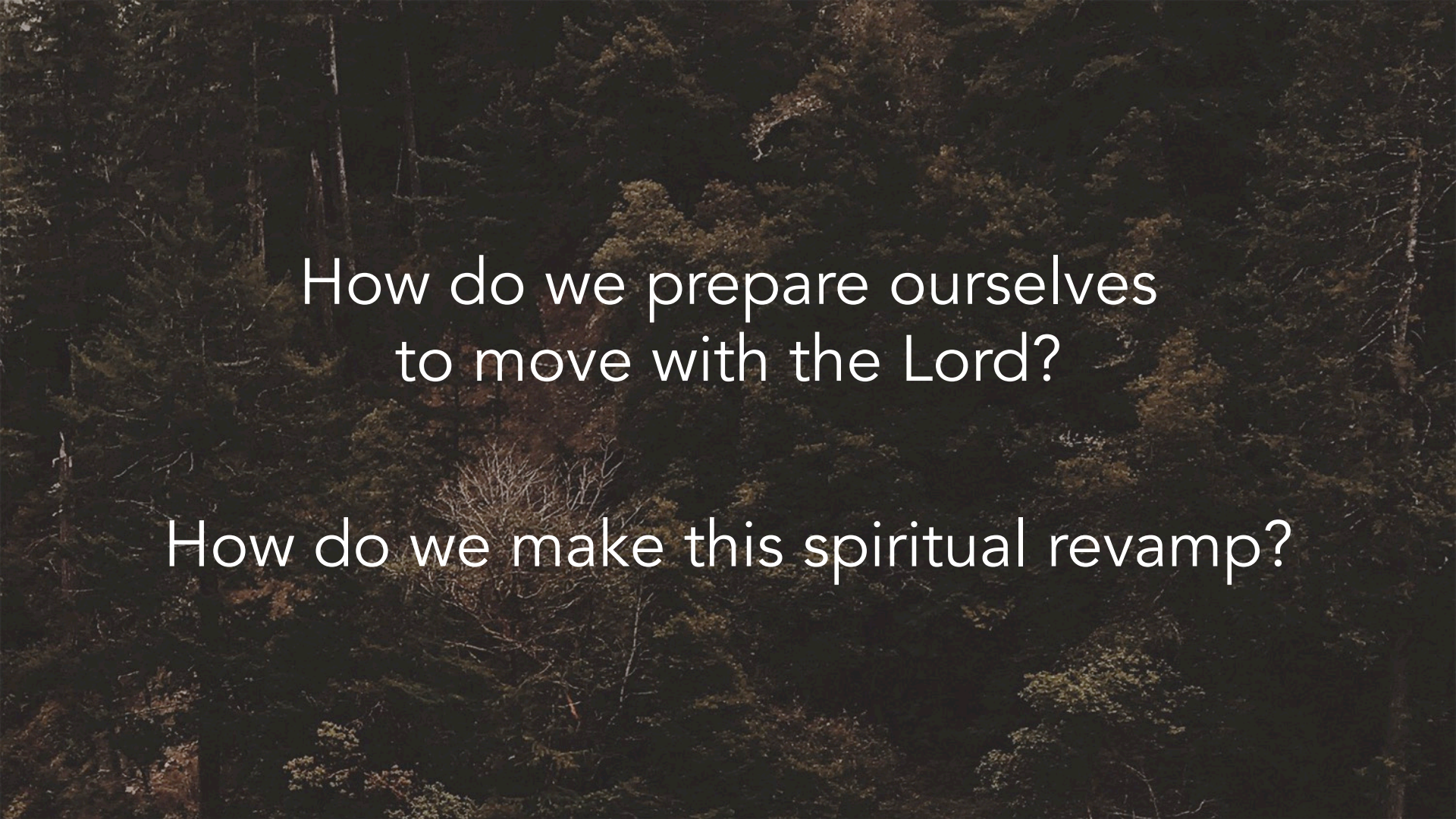
Like the River of Life in Ezekiel 47,
we were conceived by God and
empowered by the Holy Spirit,
to go out into our world to
transform individuals, impact society
and bless the nations.

Converging Signs of A New Season

- Consistent convictions among leaders that we need to embark into a new season soon
- God's provision of No. 2E terrace house
- God's provision of various ministry partners
- National stirring among churches to embrace the Antioch Call for Singapore

Is God's Pillar Of Fire Moving Soon?





How do we prepare ourselves
to move with the Lord?

How do we make this spiritual revamp?



A lesson we can learn
from the Upper Room

Acts 1

Jesus' Instruction To Disciples

⁴ And while staying with them **he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem,** but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "You heard from me; ⁵ for John baptized with water, but **you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."**

Acts 1:4-5

Jesus' Promises To Disciples

⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and **you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.**

Acts 1:8

One Command & Two Promises

- Jesus commanded his disciples to stay put in Jerusalem.
- He gave them 2 promises:
 - They would be filled with the Holy Spirit
 - They would be empowered to be His witnesses in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and the ends of the earth

Timeline from Good Friday to Pentecost

Day 1	Good Friday – Jesus' Crucifixion
Day 3	Easter – Jesus' Resurrection
	For 40 days, Jesus appeared to various disciples
Day 43	Jesus' Ascension into Heaven
Day 50	Pentecost – Baptism of the Holy Spirit



What were the disciples doing in the
Upper Room during those days?

Acts 1:12-15

¹² Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³ And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James.

Acts 1:12-15

¹⁴ All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers. ¹⁵ During this time, when about 120 believers were together in one place, Peter stood up and addressed them: ...

Acts 1:21-22

21 "So now we must choose a replacement for Judas from among the men who were with us the entire time we were traveling with the Lord Jesus—²² from the time he was baptized by John until the day he was taken from us. Whoever is chosen will join us as a witness of Jesus' resurrection."

Two Things Disciples Did

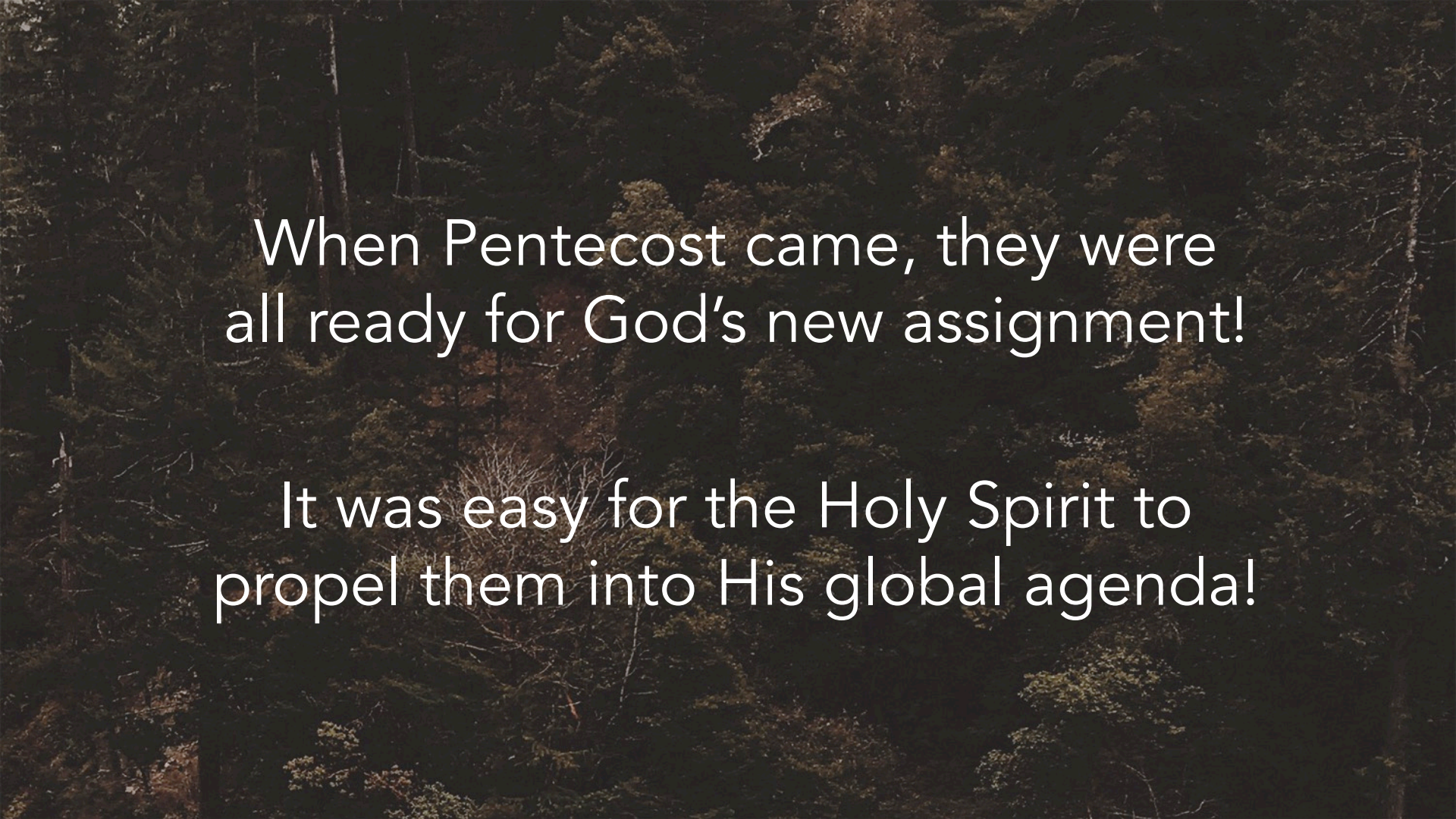
- Praying in unity and with anticipation
- Dealing with Judas' betrayal and their own disappointments

The Disciples' Failures & Disappointments

- Judas' betrayal
- Peter's denials of Jesus
- Their cowardice in deserting Jesus
- Their lack of faith in believing the resurrection
- Their desire to be the greatest
- Their lack of love for one another
- Their carnal motives in following Jesus...

Their Likely Posture In The Upper Room

- Setting time to seek God together
- Praying in unity and with anticipation
- Confessing their sins and failures – to God and each other
- Reconciling their differences and mending broken relationships
- Aligning their hearts to embrace a new season of ministry



When Pentecost came, they were
all ready for God's new assignment!

It was easy for the Holy Spirit to
propel them into His global agenda!



Likewise, God wants us to break free
from our spiritual lethargy to serve Him
in His fresh season!

Hence we need to get into the
Upper Room to make space
for Him to work in us!

We Need An Upper Room Encounter

- DAILY TIME WITH GOD

Meditate on His Word.

Use 40.Day devotion guide by LoveSingapore.

- FAST

A meal daily for 40 days.

We Need An Upper Room Encounter

- PRAY

Gather as a cell to pray for renewal.

Special Prayer Session:

Fri, 20 Oct | 8pm | Worship Centre

- READ

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