Praying for Revival Through the Triune God & His Sovereign Work

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How does the Triune God work in revival? How can believers pray for revival by specifically beseeching each member of the Trinity?

I. The Father to bring His elect to salvation

The Father has elected some unto Himself from before the foundation of the world. Believers should pray that the Father would bring His own to salvation resulting in the fame of His Name.

2. The Father to adopt more children into His family

The Father adopts sinners by grace to be sons and daughters of the Living God. Let Christians pray that the Father's adopted children who are presently lost would be found and reconciled!

3. The Father to hear more of His sons cry out "Abba Father!"

To pray that God the Father may hear *more* of His sons earnestly and loudly cry out: "Abba Father!" is to ask God to do what He cannot resist. He must hear the cries of His precious sons.

4. The Son to purchase the souls of sinful men

Exalting Jesus Christ, the God-Man, includes praying to Him thanking Him for purchasing sinners by the 'blood of His cross.' The Word says that He died for His sheep and so we must pray thus.

5. More to come to glory & stand before the Lamb in worship & praise in heaven

To pray and ask that more souls would be won to Christ and stand before God in heaven in worship, adoration and thanksgiving is to rightly make the case that God receives glory in this.

6. More to evangelize & witness for the saving gospel of Jesus Christ

To pray for revival with the end goal that many who would be saved would evangelize others, witness for Christ, testify to His grace to the lost is a powerful argument. Ask God to save sinners so there would be more evangelists in proclaiming Christ in these last days.

7. The Spirit to indwell another soul to proclaim the gospel.

Christians who are indwelt by the Spirit should pray and ask the Spirit to save souls, thus indwelling within them so they can bear the fruit of the Spirit and preach Christ to the lost.

8. The Spirit to fill another person & control him & bear fruit in & through Him.

It would be appropriate for a Christian to ask the Spirit to save a soul and fill that soul so radically that the sinner would bear much fruit for God's glory and for evangelistic purposes.

9. The Spirit to regenerate powerfully, irresistibly, miraculously, supernaturally & glorify God! Saints should beseech the Spirit of God to regenerate and give life to lifeless souls. Beg Him to enter the graveyard of hell and give eternal life to doomed souls for His glory and renown.

10. The Spirit to seal, protect & confirm another saved sinner until the end thus showing His power.

Christians must pray to the Spirit and argue that sealing, protecting and securing another sheep for glory would bring Him greater glory in revealing His power in keeping and confirming His own from regeneration to glorification. Praying in this way puts God's character on display.