



INTRODUCTION TO RESURGENCE

Welcome to something extraordinary! You are part of a movement that has the potential to spark real change. We believe God is helping all of us pioneer something incredible! Right here, in Pontiac, Michigan, we're lighting a fire that's going to spread across our church and community! We are BEYOND PUMPED to launch this revitalization revolution with YOU!

What Does RESURGENCE Mean?

Let's break down this powerful word: **Re-surge-ence**. It's not just a random term—it's a PROMISE for our church!

- **"Re"** means AGAIN!
- **"Surge"** means to RISE UP with FORCE!

Put them together and you get a powerful **COMEBACK!** It's about rising again, stronger and more capable! But resurgence isn't just about coming back—it's about coming back with a **VENGEANCE!**

A formal description for resurgence is written on your manual cover ... **"a revival, an increase in activity or prominence."**

Our Journey Through the Valley

The truths we're exploring for the next six weeks come from the vision of the prophet Ezekiel. Picture this: He's standing in a valley, surrounded by dry, dusty, and lifeless bones. God asks him, **"Can these bones live?"**

That's the same question we're asking during this Resurgence Experience:

- Can our ministry come alive again?
- Can our passion be reignited?
- Can our impact be restored and even **MULTIPLIED?**

Throughout this series, we're going to visit a valley of death and watch it transform into an **ARMY OF LIFE!** That's the essence of RESURGENCE! It's more than revitalization—it's

resurrection! It's not just coming back to life—it's coming back STRONGER, BIGGER, and MORE POWERFUL than ever before!

And here's the undeniable conclusion: **God specializes in REVIVING things once thought dead!** That's who He is! That's what He does! That's how He operates! God can pump life into dead and dying things, and He is breathing life again into His church.

What is Revitalization?

Revitalization is about **bringing VITALITY back to what has faded.** It's about reigniting the passion and purpose that may have grown dim over time.

To revitalize means:

1. Taking what's dead and making it live again!
2. Giving a shot of adrenaline to what's barely breathing!

Chuck Swindoll wisely observes: *"Organizations tend to lose vitality rather than gain it as time passes. They also tend to give greater attention to what they 'were' rather than what they 'are' becoming."*

Wallace Henley adds that revitalization is about **"recovering lost vitality."** Because in this fallen world, our spiritual fire tends to dim. Worship doesn't move us like it used to. The Word doesn't feed us like before. Prayer feels like a chore.

But revitalization isn't just about acknowledging the struggle—past or present. It's about moving forward with renewed energy. It's a call to action, an invitation to rediscover the spark that ignited our passion in the first place.

Welcome to the Experience!