



Ready for Revival | Ethan Matott | 7.19-20

Weekly Study

SHARE

Welcome! This is our final week of our Young Bucks series, leans into how God moves in surprising ways, through ordinary people, unexpected moments, and unlikely places. Each week has explored a biblical example of passion and our call to faithfulness, inviting us to believe that age is no barrier when God's Spirit is on the move. We gather to encourage one another and to dream about what revival could look like in classrooms, offices, and neighborhoods today.

This weekend Pastor Ethan's message ***Ready for Revival*** draws from King Josiah's story, showing how a young leader sparked one of Israel's greatest revivals. We'll explore what it means to tear down idols, rebuild faith, and walk boldly in God's calling.

- ☐ **How Has this series challenged the way we view our relationship with God and the way we are individually serving Him?**
- ☐ **Why do you think God often uses "unlikely people" to accomplish His purposes?**

GROW

Read 2 Kings 23:25

- ☐ **How does this verse reveal about the kind of wholehearted devotion God can ignite in any age group?**

2 Kings 23:25 serves as Josiah's epitaph: *"Neither before nor after Josiah was there a king like him who turned to the Lord with all his heart, soul, and strength, in accordance with the Law of Moses."* The line compresses decades of obedience into one sweeping verdict. Josiah's revival began privately when the lost Book of the Law was read, but it culminated publicly in national reform and covenant renewal. His story reminds us that sincere repentance and sustained action can write fresh headlines—even in spiritually stagnant times.

Ethan highlighted the **five returns** that keep revival alive: God's grace awakens, promises steady, Scripture realigns, presence restores, and joy erupts. When believers cycle through these movements, hearts stay soft and communities stay ready.

- ☐ **What idols, habits, priorities, or fears might we need to tear down to make space for Him?**
- ☐ **How might returning to one of those five areas this week reshape the spiritual climate of your dorm, workplace, or living room?**

MOVE

Read 1 Timothy 4:12

Paul charges Timothy not to let anyone disregard his youth but to model speech, conduct, love, faith, and purity. Each one of these traits echoes Josiah's return with grace, promise-shaped conduct, Scripture-fed love, presence-aware faith, and joy-infused purity. Imagine a friend group where complaints morph into encouragement, cynicism into expectancy, and casual faith into earnest pursuit.

When even one young believer steps into that calling, momentum spreads. Josiah's private disciplines toppled national idols; your unseen "yes" can reset family rhythms or team norms. Revival is rarely one explosion, it is thousands of hidden sparks refusing to go out. Revival begins inwardly before it transforms the world around us. Revival thrives when we return to God's Word, promises, and presence.

- ☐ **What "return to God" step; grace, promises, Word, presence, or rejoicing, resonates most with you right now?**
- ☐ **If revival begins with repentance and returning to God's presence, what would it look like for you to not only turn from sin but actively pursue God's joy and promises this week?**
- ☐ **What rhythms or habits could you start (or restart) to make space for spiritual renewal?**

PRAY

This week, pray in pairs, lifting up each other's needs for spiritual renewal. Ask God for courage to remove idols, boldness to pursue His Word like Josiah, humility and quick repentance, a renewed passion for Scripture, the strength to influence others for Christ, and revival to sweep through our city and the next generation.