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Msg# 1228 Rest After Revival?

What The Bible Says Good Samaritan's Penny Pulpit by Pastor Ed Rice

Dear Editors and friends, Please freely print this weeks Penny Pulpit Column in your papers, bulletins, emails, bloggs and twitters . Thank you for this consideration. Pastor Ed Rice, Good Samaritan Baptist Church, Dresden NY 14441 These Baptist Penny Pulpits are an asset to many Missionaries and young Christians, Please Use the FORWARD below. Msg# 1228 Rest After Revival? What The Bible Says Good Samaritan's Penny Pulpit by Pastor Ed Rice The God of the mountains is still God in the valley. Mountain top experiences don't last long nor carry us far. Doldrums, a word derived from the Middle English 'dull', is a period of stagnation or slump; a period of unhappy listlessness. Listlessness, a word derived from the Middle English 'lacking listen', is to lack energy or to be disinclined to exert effort. Christians hover around these words in our journey through the valleys of life. While there God asked "What doest thou here, Elijah?" (1Kings19) and he wants your response to that question. While camped in doldrums of life take time to Rest (vr5), to Respite (vr6), and Restore, (vr7). Remember "He restoreth my soul? ... He leadeth me in paths of righteousness, for His names sake?" God keeps us in these valleys and wants us to Rehearse what He has done, (vr10) Refocus on our purpose and Reenlist for service (vr 15). God does not use earthquake, storm, nor fire to ask, but with a still small voice he Reiterates, "What doest thou here, Elijah?" He wants us to Rejoice, Remember, and then to go and Recruit others. All these 'Rs' were present in Elijah's Retreat which came right after the mountain top Revival. You know the one where he prayed down fire from heaven, fire that consumed the sacrifice and altar, and caused King Ahab and all of Israel say "The LORD, he is the God; the LORD, he is the God." (1Kings 18) After his prayer that brought rain to drought old Jezebel drove Elijah to his wilderness retreat. In the same spiritual doldrums which engulf America we need to take full advantage of Elijah's lessons so we can give God answer to "What doest thou here?" Keep busy in retreat. An Essay from week # 28, Sunday, July 08, 2012 Published at www.GSBaptistChurch.com/ppulpit In free ebook at www.GSBaptistChurch.com/ebooks

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