**DAY 115 - STAYING IN THE HOME OF A GREAT REVIVALIST**

**PRINCIPLE:** WHEN WE DIG IN THE WELLS OF PAST GIANTS WE FIND KEYS TO THE SUPERNATURAL.

Of the handful of nation-transforming revivals that have taken place since Pentecost and the birth of the church, many consider the Welsh revival of 1904 the most Earth-shaking and Heaven summoning. It came, as revivals invariably do, during a low-tide spiritual moment. Empty churches, cold hearts, lethargic Christians, and flourishing evil. Up steps a 27-year-old coal miner named Evan Roberts, eager to see God move as He did in the beginning of creation: *“...and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.”[[1]](#footnote-1)*

Our journey to film in the nation of Wales in May of 2012 was both earth shaking and paradigm shifting. We were exhausted most of the time, suffering from jet lag, filming take after take, and driving to what seemed like an infinite number of locations. One night, Suzie and I stayed in Island House, Evan Roberts’ childhood home, and even slept in the very room he experienced nightly visitations with Jesus, over a period of three months. To say the least we were overjoyed to be in such a special place. So, when I got up early to seek the Lord as I always do, my heart was filled with anticipation. This was where Evan Roberts communed with Jesus, and I wanted any impartation or insight God would give me.

Evan grew up in a family of eight children, with two dying in childhood. Originally, the back of the house had a ladder going up to a loft, where, as it was described, children were stacked like cord wood. So, the environment was busy and noisy. Not the ideal place for quiet reflection, but perfect for God to visit Evan in the middle of the night.

**As I prayed and reflected early that morning, I received just one clear thought that I believe, in some way, describes Evan’s entire life journey.** **The Holy Spirit spoke to my heart, *“The Kingdom of God is Within You”[[2]](#footnote-2)* There it is! Evan Roberts found an extraordinary connection with Jesus as he opened his spirit. Perhaps there is no clearer explanation to why God used him so mightily.**

**Jesus, move upon our hearts to take us out of darkness, into Your marvelous light!**

**SCRIPTURE:** *“…darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. And God said…”* (Genesis 1:2b-3a)

**Word Count:** 379 words

1. Genesis 1:2 [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Luke 17:21, NKJV [↑](#footnote-ref-2)