

**Revivals And Church History :: Let's unite for the cause of revival.****Let's unite for the cause of revival. - posted by CJaKfOrEsT (), on: 2004/6/5 7:56**

I was recently reading Psalm 85 and was overcome with a deep conviction to serve God for who He is, regardless of what my personal need is. Although this is something that I have always known with head knowledge, somehow I felt challenged to put this revelation into practice.

I was first led to join this site, after seeing a the on Finney's Lectures https://www.sermonindex.net/modules/newbb/viewopic.php?topic_id=1617&forum=40&3. After hearing the heart of people like Greg, Robert Wurtz, Mike Balog and Chanin, I was deeply challenged to carry out a desire, birthed in my heart early this year, to pursue God in a way that I never had before.

In this adventure, I got to Lecture 3, and stepped further than before "into the looking glass" by examining the totality of the sin in my life in the light of scripture. However, I wimped out at the point of going to make restitution.

Around this time I asked a question on a forum on this site:

What does one ask for when he prays for revival? I've been hearing from day one of my 10 years in Christ to pray for revival, but few people there are to teach and train us how. I earnestly desire to see revival and be revived, but I don't want to just mentally assent to the idea, I need to see a move of God. Any thoughts?

Rahman turned me onto J. Edwin Orr and Martyn Lloyd Jones, who both deeply challenged me in this area of revival prayer. Orr particularly influenced me to take steps to come closer to the point of being used in this ministry of intercession for revival, with his first hand accounts of the revival in Brazil. He emphasised unity in purpose to see revival, insisting that the "mainline evangelical" denomination's ministers invite the local Assemblies of God pastor to join, in spite of them disassociating from him in the past.

My point is, there are a lot of forums that strive to bring correction on doctrinal error, why not celebrate the things we agree on. Enough of this "bless you brother, you're truly a servant of God" when we agree, and "burn the heretic!" when we disagree. We're all parts of one body, brethren in Christ.

Let's believe God for a world-wide shaking in the spirit. Why not, He is in the habit of doing it when the world is most depressed.

Feel free to post keys that God is giving you to pray about in this journey.

Yours in Christ

Az

Re: Visible Unity - posted by CJaKfOrEsT (), on: 2004/7/7 6:28

The following are some thoughts on visible unity, as taught by J Edwin Orr. He sites this principle as a vital element to revival.

Enjoy :-).

Visible Unity

J. Edwin Orr

My ecumenism is a simple one. I want to have fellowship on earth, with all those with whom I will have fellowship in heaven. Some people think in black & white terms. The way I look at it is this:

I can unite with people with whom I can identify in all of my doctrines.

But I can co-operate with other Christians with whom I disagree on non-essentials

And I can fellowship with other Christians with whom I have more serious disagreements

And I can dialogue with non-Christians

So if we think about it in concentric circles, remember in winning people to Christ, we can always co-operate. And in fellowship we can go beyond that.

Re: Let's unite for the cause of revival. - posted by lwpray (), on: 2004/7/7 6:45

Why leave out the true foundation of unity:

The formation of Christ in mind and spirit by the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit, including ability to identify Christ in an other man.

No inner or outer circles needed.

Many more will be included on this ground and the dividing lines will be a lot sharper.

Lars

Re: - posted by CJaKfOrEsT (), on: 2004/7/7 7:55

Huh???

Re: - posted by lwpray (), on: 2004/7/7 9:55

“So if we think about it in concentric circles, remember in winning people to Christ, we can always co-operate. And in fellowship we can go beyond that.”

The innermost circle in this case is “Doctrine” – not relation based on common formation in spirit by the Spirit, a poor foundation for Christian testimony and evangelism.

And what do we have in the circles outside this doctrinal core – nothingness.

We certainly need an awakening as to what Jesus Christ brings us out from and then into.

Lars

Re: - posted by revival9 (), on: 2004/7/12 13:32

Quote:
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Amen, brother Lars, that is heavy.

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Amen, brother Aaron, that is my heart too!

How many years I have wasted wrangling over words, worrying about doctrine, messing around with my faith (and everybody else's!) until I nearly destroyed it. If I had the last 22 years to do over, I would focus 100% on my relationship with Jesus Christ, soaking in His Word, and leave everything else go-hang.

It's not about doctrine, or what I do. It's me being put to death. It's me being DEAD!! And Jesus Christ living in my mortal body. If I'm not dead, He's not Lord. It's not a partnership arrangement!! Only NOW am I finding this out.

And I'm the happiest woman alive today!!!!

Because He lives instead of me!!!

Anything which takes my eyes off this simple, profound fact, is a distraction and a heresy!

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In light of this year (2004) being the 100-year anniversary of the Welsh Revival and the first Sialkot Convention, I'm putting an ad in our local paper to see if there's any response.

No churches in our area are holding any kind of remembrance services that I know of. It's a sad commentary that a busy housewife with 9 kids ends up doing this stuff, but hey! I got the burden and maybe others do, too. Here's my ad:

Revival: October 2004 marks the 100th anniversary of the Welsh Revival and the first Sialkot Convention in India. Find out what God did in Wales and India in 1904 --- the people He used --- the global impact. Prayer and discussion group forming. 345-6789.

I've wanted to do this for months and the want-to has increased past the point of endurance! I will keep you all posted as to what happens. The Lord is stirring up in me such a desire to tell people, He is giving me many resources and much happiness to do this!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Mrs. Fred

Re: - posted by lwpray (), on: 2004/7/12 13:43

Dear Mrs. Fred,

This is certainly an initiative to cover in intense intercession and to copy in other settings.

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Re: - posted by InTheLight (), on: 2004/7/12 16:38

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Mrs. Fred,

Would be interested in joining your group if in the Phoenix area, let me know.

In Christ,

Ron

Re: Let's unite for the cause of revival. - posted by ravin, on: 2004/7/12 16:52

Heaven I believe wants us in his word, getting to know him better, better to tell others of who he is if we know him and have him in us. uniting without him in it is like playing ball with out the ball. and one must play and not sit on the side lines. the word tells us to have one spirit see with one eye having one goal. so I pray we lose our selves in him and not mans doctrine's. We have one Bible and many churches lord let us lose site of who we think we are and go after who you want to be in us as one body amen

Re: - posted by CJaKfOrEsT (), on: 2004/7/13 7:47

Quote:

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Gulp!! That just says it all. Jesus let me die a little more each day.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2004/7/14 22:43

I thought this were great quotes on revival, Tozer speaks from depth of spiritual revelation and experience, I wonder what he would say today.

"My reason for doubt of the soundness of it is that we appear to conceive of revival as a kind of benign miracle, a feverish renaissance of religious activity which will come upon us, **leaving us morally just as we are now**, except that we will be a lot happier and there will be a great many more of us. It's a good talking point and it has an aura of superior godliness about it; but the trouble is that it is just not true." -A.W. Tozer

"Our mistake is that we want God to send revival on our terms. We want to get the power of God into our hands, to call it to us that it may work for us in promoting and furthering our kind of Christianity. We want still to be in charge, guiding the chariot through the religious sky in the direction we want it to go, shouting "Glory to God," it is true, but modestly accepting a share of the glory for ourselves in a nice inoffensive sort of way. We are calling on God to send fire on our altars, completely ignoring the fact that they are our altars and not God's. And like the prophets of Baal we are working ourselves into a frenzy as if we could by violence command the arm of the Almighty. The whole error results from a confused notion of revival and a failure to recognize the moral laws that underlie the kingdom of God. God never moves whimsically; His ways are never impulsive or erratic. He never sends judgment unless there has been a violation of His laws, nor does He send blessing apart from obedience to those laws. So precise are His movements both in justice and in mercy that a n intelligent observer, aware of the circumstances, could predict with complete accuracy any visitation of judgment or grace God might send to a nation, a church or an individual." -A.W. Tozer

Re: - posted by CJaKfOrEsT (), on: 2004/7/15 6:47

"Wesley defined a fanatic as one who expects a desired result, whilst ignoring the perscribed means." - A.W. Tozer.