

**Articles and Sermons :: The Life and Ministry of Theodore Austin-Sparks****The Life and Ministry of Theodore Austin-Sparks - posted by Lysa (), on: 2016/5/15 17:46**

The Life and Ministry of Theodore Austin-Sparks
by Lance Lambert

We don't know the date this message was given by Mr Lambert, but it was to a Chinese-speaking audience with an interpreter. The spoken form is retained verbatim. The message can be listened to on the Audio page.

<http://www.austin-sparks.net/english/004980.html>

This is very good, I learned much about this man!

Enjoy,
Lisa

Re: The Life and Ministry of Theodore Austin-Sparks - posted by wayneman (), on: 2016/5/15 21:17

This is the most detailed bio of TAS I've seen. Thank you!

Re: The Life and Ministry of Theodore Austin-Sparks - posted by InTheLight (), on: 2016/5/15 21:45

Thank you for sharing this piece. This really struck me;

Brother Nee was a great man with great faults. The greater the man, the greater the faults." Our brother Mr Sparks was a truly great man, and he truly had great faults.

Great men of God are not without fault but one thing they do is point people to the Lord Jesus Christ. Tozer called it being a signpost, the signpost is soon forgotten once the glorious Destination is reached.

In Christ,

Re: The Life and Ministry of Theodore Austin-Sparks , on: 2016/5/15 23:02

Dear sister Lisa, thank you for this link it is such a blessing and has touched my heart and sent me onward to listen to some videos of this brother Lambert whom I never knew about. Take a look here:

http://www.lancelambert.org/products.php?Category_Id=2

This kind of post of yours is the main reason I stick around on SermonIndex, there are so many blessings that the Lord has as yet to reveal to us through His body...such as what I know I will receive from listening to our brother Lambert.

Re: The Life and Ministry of Theodore Austin-Sparks - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2016/5/16 0:11

Thank you Lisa for sharing this amazing message by Lance Lambert on the life of T. Austin Sparks.

I have listened to and read Brother Sparks messages for a number of years now, and have benefited greatly from what he has shared.

I had no idea that he was isolated and rejected, for I never heard him mention it in his messages.

Watchman Nee referred to Brother Sparks in several of his writings.

Brother Sparks ministered in Richmond Virginia in the 60'S at the Christian Family Conferences that are still going on to this day.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2016/5/16 5:53

Audio messages by Lance Lambert are here on SI: <https://www.sermonindex.net/modules/mydownloads/viewcat.php?cid=156>

Re: - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2016/5/16 5:59

Brother Greg,

Thank you so much for providing these messages by Lance Lambert on Sermon Index.

The teachings that brother Lance has on the Christian Testimony website on prayer, intercession, and spiritual warfare are very relevant and needed for what we are facing today.

Re: - posted by Renee_is_His (), on: 2016/5/16 8:33

I agree Mike, I had never heard of Lance Lambert until a thread last year on here when he went home to be with the Lord. I also started listening to Wesley Deuwel in March of this year and found out he went home to be with the Lord a week before that. I don't believe in coincidences- I took it as a personal call from the Lord to take up the work of prayer and intercession that these mighty men of God devoted their lives to.

I am so grateful to God for raising up this ministry of SI. Thank you Greg, for your obedience to the Lord. It has contributed to much of my own spiritual growth over the last four years.

Re: , on: 2016/5/16 9:58

T.A.Sparks is one of the very few people I quote when I am writing, him and Tozer and men like A.B.Simpson. I found this article to be fascinating, thanks Lisa. I had no idea he came from Dunoon. For those who attended the Greenock revival conference, you will remember the river Clyde upon which Greenock sits. Directly across from Greenock is Dunoon.

One correction to the piece. The Irvingites were around much earlier than the 1860s. Prior to 1823 J.N.Darby was associated with that group. He distanced himself from them eventually. Thanks again Lisa.....bro Frank

Re: church movements/denominations, on: 2016/5/16 13:54

I found this article fascinating in so many ways. If anyone finds anymore hidden nuggets on austin-sparks.net please share them.

One of the things that fascinated me was the comment about church movements/denominations:

"Our brother Mr Sparks said to me, "There is such a thing as a local church, there is." But he said to me, "The way our brother is teaching it, it will be like a denomination, with a Vatican and a Pope. This is how it will end."

"I'm afraid he has been proved right. That is precisely what has happened. He said to me, "We can take the church, which is the Body of our Lord Jesus, joined to the Head at the right hand of God, and reduce it to something earthly, make it a human organisation."

Re: - posted by dolfan (), on: 2016/5/16 15:30

I read and re read parts of it. Pondering.

Re: The Life and Ministry of Theodore Austin-Sparks - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2016/5/16 19:54

Whenever you listen to teachings by Lance Lambert, not only will you hear the Word of God preached, but our dear brother had so many fascinating stories to tell.

Brother Lance was called to intercession at a very young age, and as his ministry grew, he became connected to intercessors all over the world. In his teachings on intercession, he tells stories of some of these dear saints that interceded for their nations, and fought a tremendous battle of prayer warfare against the enemy.

Lance Lambert, T. Austin Sparks, Watchman Nee all had one thing in common and that is their ministries highlighted the preeminence of Jesus Christ.

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Re: Christian family conference, on: 2016/5/16 20:11

"My wife and I attended one of the Christian family conferences some years back and were very blessed by the teachings of Lance Lambert, Steven Kaung, DeVern Fromke, and others."

I am jealous brother Mike:-) I saw that bro Steven is one of the speakers again this year...he must be close to 100 years old now???

Re: - posted by dolfan (), on: 2016/5/16 20:37

The conferences are always so far from here, it seems. Roy Daniel, for example. I wish these gatherings were close to home! :)

Re: - posted by AbideinHim (), on: 2016/5/16 20:39

Brother Mark.

You are right. Brother Stephen is in his 90's and still teaches in various conferences. In many of his teachings he shares about his relationship with Brother Watchman Nee.

Short Biography:

"Stephen Kaung, a Christian teacher originally from Mainland China, was the son of a well-known Methodist minister. He became a Christian at an early age and was at first active in the Methodist Church. In the early 1930's, he met Watchman Nee for the first time and he later became his co-worker in China. He worked with Nee in China until 1949 when he left the country and became involved with Christian work in other areas of the Far East. In 1952, Kaung moved to New York City to join a "Little Flock" assembly which included immigrants as well as missionaries returned from China. In 1957, following trouble within the group, Kaung moved to San Francisco to join another church there. The following year, he moved back to New York after travelling to Europe with Witness Lee. In 1971, he moved to Washington D.C., but periodically travelled back to the New York group to speak and hold conferences. However, in 1973, Kaung stopped associating with the Local Church and continued with his own ministry. Throughout the 1960's, Kaung worked closely with T. Austin-Sparks

Stephen Kaung's major work has been to translate the writings of Watchman Nee into English, over 50 titles, which have been published by Christian Fellowship Publishers (CFP) in Richmond, Virginia, where Kaung continues to minister to day.

Stephen Kaung currently resides in Richmond."