

Revivals And Church History :: Night and day on my knees

Night and day on my knees - posted by Christian (), on: 2003/12/13 7:29

Ravenhill said "Jesus is standing at the door of the church knocking, but quickly moves on". When I first came to Washington DC I was disturbed over the modern music brought into the church. I had lived in western PA; all we had were old hymn books. In our home Dad always would tell us to turn off that junk (modern music). But that was over 10 years ago. We have now brought into the church multimedia. Tozer said "If you have the Bible and the Holy Spirit that is all you need." The multimedia has introduced Mickey Mouse entertainment into the church. It's good, it's fun, its lively entertainment, but it not the best. The presence of the Holy One of Israel is the best. E.M.Bounds said with entertainment prayer is unwelcome.

I find it almost impossible to pray in today's churches, with all the noise who can think. Oh, how we are branded as negative if we complain. The old timers used to always complain about our youthful music, now they seem to love it. Why was it that the Quakers wouldn't allow music? Tozer talked about people trying to project their personalities in the church, and the display of amateurism, people who couldn't make it professionally.

I say that God is knocking at the church door and no one can hear it because of all the noise. The Holy One is now thundering at our nation and no one hears it. Jeremiah pleaded with Israel and Judah but none could hear. Surely God's wrath is burning against our modern nations.

Ravenhill said "people don't want revival because they are happy the way things are." But if we continue to let Satan have his way he will show his true control of these nations and unleash a reign of terror that will bring the end of time.

Surely Beelzebub reigns here, what perversion, what lust, emptiness, loneliness. People walking about saying everything is well, yet walks in grave clothes on their way to hell. I see no spirituality at all. The Holy One is greatly withdrawn, his anger is very fierce. We need a fiery visitation from Jesus to save us from hell. "When are we going to get serious about being serious" Ravenhill.

Satan has taken over the church of the world with his legions. The spirituality of the church is absolutely gone. The multimedia music has stunningly brought Walt Disney entertainment in. But why not, people are so caught up in TV entertainment. I will not adhere to it, but give an emphatic NO! Oh how we must fight and pray! So many are going to hell! We must pray, rise early, get alone with God. Jesus' honor is a stake; I will not dishonor him by prayerlessness. I will not be blinded but will look to Jesus at all cost.

I will worship the lord Jesus.
Night and day on my knees I will go.
Onward to victory,
In Christ Jesus our lord.

Night and day on my knees .
Night and day on my knees.

Re: Night and day on my knees - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2003/12/13 11:09

Quote:
-----I find it almost impossible to pray in today's churches, with all the noise who can think. Oh, how we are branded as negative if we complain.

Like ravenhill once prayed: Lord give us a holy dissatisfaction tonight.

Thank you brother for sharing your heart so openly and plainly, I am of one accord and spirit with you on this. Martin Luther said that before God chooses to do a big thing in His church He sets a people praying.

Quote:
-----So many are going to hell! We must pray, rise early, get alone with God. Jesus' honor is a stake; I will not dishonor him by prayerlessness.

YES! this is life and death Christians, we need to get serious and realize what is happening all around us in the church and in the world. How fast this life is over, how well will you use it to glory the one who purchased it with His blood.

Is the way you are living today worth Christ dying for?
-Leonard Ravenhill

Daniel 9:18-19 (niv) - Give ear, O God, and hear; open your eyes and see the desolation of the city that bears your Name. We do not make requests of you because we are righteous, but because of your great mercy. Oh Lord, listen! Oh Lord, forgive! O Lord, hear and act! For your sake, O my God, do not delay, because your city and your people bear your Name.

It is a great thing to be a Christian. The very name is a noble one, beyond all the noble names of earth. The thing itself is inconceivably blessed and glorious. To say, 'I am a Christian,' is to say, 'I belong to God's nobility; I am of the peerage of heaven.'

Much, then, is expected of you. Do not disgrace the old family name. Do nothing unworthy of Him who represents you in heaven, and whom you represent on earth. He is faithful to you; be you so to Him. Let men know what a Lord and Master you serve. Be His witnesses; be His mirrors; be His living epistles. Let Him speak through you to the world. Let your life tell your fellow-men what He is, and what He is to you. Speak well of Him to men, as He speaks well of you to God. He has honoured you by giving you His name; He has blessed you by conferring on you sonship, and royalty, and an eternal heritage: see that you do justice to His love, and magnify His greatness.

-Horatious Bonar (from follow the lamb introduction).

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2003/12/14 23:21

I was spending a time of meditation on reading Luke chapters 1 + 2 and something interesting the Lord showed me.

Luke 1:53 (niv) - He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty.

When coming to God in prayer, worship, and reading the scriptures what mentality do we have? Are we hungry to know more and experience more of God or are we complacent and rich in our spiritual life?

Revelation 3:20 (niv) - You say, 'I am rich; I have acquired wealth and do not need a thing.' But you do not realize that you are wretched, pitiful, poor, blind and naked.

Matthew 5:6 (niv) - Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Re: Night and day on my knees - posted by Christian (), on: 2003/12/15 14:33

Ravenhill

Jeremiah.mp3

What a messsage for America today. I just cant get enough of L.Ravenhill. Ravenhill is confirming what God has been saying to me for 20 years.

Re: Night and day on my knees - posted by KingJimmy (), on: 2003/12/15 15:16

Quote:

When I first came to Washington DC I was disturbed over the modern music brought into the church.

Ravenhill frequently referred to the guitar as a back-slidden harp.

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2003/12/16 10:04

Lets be honest brothers and sisters in our day the solution is not to be more doctrinally sound in our churches. I am tired with spending my energies and time fighting in churches and fellowships over small doctrinal differences. The churches overall are backslidden, how much of a difference are we making in society, in our cities, how much of an impact is your life having in this world. The group of 150 disciples turned the world upside down, or at atleast a city, couldn't it be the same for us. We need to be God consumed people, we all need God more in our life's. This is the dire need of the day, how much are you willing to sacrifice, is the life you are living now worth Christ dying for? We need revival will it begin with you?

Once we have our eyes off God it doesnt matter how much we read the bible we will not get it right. Lets just keep our eyes fixed on Jesus the author and finisher of our faith, and allow Him to guide our doctrines of the Church.

Re: - posted by crsschk (), on: 2003/12/16 11:32

Brother Christian,

Thanks for the heads up. Been listening to the Revival series and I got to tell you, if we don't have a revival soon I think I am going to die of a crushed spirit.

I haven't been at this as long as yourself,(about a 1/4) and had never even heard of Leonard Ravenhill prior to coming here. At first I thought he was rather 'harsh' and reading WRT was difficult for me at the first.

Oh, but now! I truly see and feel the agony of that righteous man's heart.
If he were alive today....

It's odd to hear him talking of the spiritual bankruptcy that was prevailing then, the Vietnam era, Cambodia, Communism, Carter and how relevant it sounds today, yet even worse. All I can think of as I listen is "Oh, if he knew what was happening now."

Harsh? Goodness, not harsh enough. There is not enough superlatives to describe the state of this present generation in and out of Christianity.
Blindness. Materialism. Greed. Health/Wealth/Prosperity/...
Grim.

All this 'tolerance' language, expanding the borders of what constitutes "sin". What utter nonsense is being feed to the masses.
Lie's from the pit of hell.

No sense in going on and on, Ravenhill was right, and for his sake I am glad the Lord spared him the agony he would have endured to see this day.

We need a prophet like him even more so now.
But who would listen? Seriously.
A few? Could the churches stand to hear a message of repentance, judgement, wrath, hell?
Surrender?

It's a 2 Tim 3 world and I fear what the grieving heart of God, when that dam breaks...
Have mercy on us Lord.
Save us from ourselves.

Re: Truth: we are lost - posted by Christian (), on: 2003/12/17 4:30

“People don’t want revival because they are happy the way things are” Ravenhill. We see our life as fun, comfortable and have need of nothing. But we are going to hell like sheep to the slaughter. There is not spirituality, not conviction of sin, no fear of Judgment. Oh, how foolish we are, how stupid and ignorant. “You don’t pray, you don’t read your bible, and you know nothing of worship” Ravenhill. Does this sound negative, true, but it is factual. Truth: we are lost, only a revival and revolution can save us. Lord, send a prophet to convict the world with the power of the Holy Spirit.

I wrote this just before reading this. The Holy Spirit never contradicts himself. This is the best I have seen posted yet! a heart felt cry!

Quote:

Harsh? Goodness, not harsh enough. There is not enough superlatives to describe the state of this present generation in and out of Christianity.
Blindness. Materialism. Greed. Health/Wealth/Prosperity/...
Grim
.

I came to this site looking for Tozer audio files, for my Dad and I have read almost all published works on Tozer. When I saw Ravenhill, who I knew published works by our favorite author "A Treasury of Prayer" the best of E.M.Bounds, it took about 1 second to knock me on my knees. My mentor (Dad) read "Why Revival Tarries" in a day and the fear of God was upon him. We have both been on fire for several months now since hearing L.Ravenhill.

Re: - posted by crsschk (), on: 2003/12/17 12:08

Quote:

-----I came to this site looking for Tozer audio files

Same here, believe I was alerted to the fact through a newsletter I get.
I thank God for Greg starting and continuing this site, he has poured out his time, energy and money to make this happen. Not to mention his heart.
Sometimes the truth hurts, but I was so glad to finally be able to hear it, here.

Quote:

-----My mentor (Dad) read "Why Revival Tarries" in a day and the fear of God was upon him. We have both been on fire for several months now since hearing L.Ravenhill.

Your mentor is your Dad. What an awesome statement that is!
After reading your mention of the Jeremiah sermon yesterday and finishing my reply, I went and turned to Jeremiah, starting in Ch.1. I don't know how to adequately put this, and not to take it out of context but when I got to verse 16 ;

"I will utter My judgements
Against them concerning all their wickedness,
Because they have forsaken Me,
Burned incense to other gods,
And worshiped the works of their own hands."

I was struck with fear, fear of the wrath of a Holy God...I can't explain, I just cried, it caused me to back away from my Bible in sheer terror....I am fumbling for words here...I understand God's grace, mercy and love in a limited fashion. But it was like I was given just a glimpse, a revelation of His wrath, judgement, justice.

Holy fear.
"With fear and trembling"

Revelation 7:15

"And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains, and said to the mountains and rocks, *"Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"*

"When are we going to get serious about being serious?"
Leonard Ravenhill

Re: - posted by crsschk (), on: 2004/1/1 12:32

Quote:

-----"You don't pray, you don't read your bible, and you know nothing of worship" Ravenhill.

Something's missing.
I can't shake the thought from my...being.
Actually not something, but *Someone*.

From the church's.
From His children, not all, but far to many.
From me.

A cry from David Wilkerson runs constantly through my mind and heart.

"Lord, if you don't help me..."

Then I came across this, this morning.

"Everywhere I travel, I keep hearing the defensive teaching that fervent, heartfelt prayer is really overrated and not necessary today. Since God is love, some people reason, we just have to ask once and politely for what we need and everything will turn out fine. No need today for prayer meetings and prolonged times of waiting on the Lord, no sir. No need for anyone to persevere in prayer until the answer comes. No, that's part of an-old-fashioned, out-of-date theology that belongs to another era."

Jim Cymbala in "Breakthrough Prayer"

Overrated?

This admission is startling.

Is it any wonder, why, we are lifeless, lukewarm, dying.....content? Content with the way things are?

What used to come so easily, prolonged times of quiet waiting on the Lord, being lost in prayer and worship has become a fierce battle for me.

The usual suspect's, but primarily a lack of discipline. A principle behind a quote from Joni Erickson Tada comes to mind : "Part of my Christian growth is grabbing my thoughts by the scruffs of their necks and jerking them in line."

Lord, teach us to pray.
Without ceasing.
Give us the stamina to persevere.
To wrestle until you bless us.
Send the Holy Spirit into our midst.
We are lost, poor and blind.
We are accomplishing nothing without You.
Let us travail in prayer.
Put my thoughts into a straight jacket, so I can hear You speak.

Let this year be dedicated to prayer.
Let it be the first and foremost thought before us.
Kill me if You must, but deliver Your people.

"Lord, if You don't help ...us!"

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2004/1/1 23:04

Quote:
-----Thanks for the heads up. Been listening to the Revival series and I got to tell you, if we don't have a revival soon I think I am going to die of a crushed spirit.

Yes those revival series messages really dealt with my heart and showed me the intense need for revival in our day.

Quote:
-----I was struck with fear, fear of the wrath of a Holy God...I can't explain, I just cried, it caused me to back away from my Bible in sheer terror....I am fumbling for words here...I understand God's grace, mercy and love in a limited fashion. But it was like I was given just a glimpse, a revelation of His wrath, judgement, justice.

Praise God. Thanks for sharing Mike, I think we all need a **glimpse** of this.

Re: Night and day on my knees - posted by dualj, on: 2004/7/8 17:47

I love modern music, so as long as the people playing it love Jesus, and it's done to Him rather than to the congregation.

If you can't think to pray when the praise and worship is going on, perhaps you are trying to pray and intercede out of season. Wouldn't that indeed be distracting? Trying to dress for winter during the summer sure gets uncomfortable!

But next time everyone is dancing and shouting and praising the Lord, and your trying to weep and wail and intercede, and you find that you can't think with all these happy people distracting you, you might consider getting up and putting a smile on your face, and start dancing and shouting, and you'll feel much better, and you'll appreciate the loud music much more, because it will help you to shout and praise the Lord louder without drawing attention to yourself. :)

2Chronicles 5:12-14 Also the Levites which were the singers, all of them of Asaph, of Heman, of Jeduthun, with their sons and their brethren, being arrayed in white linen, having cymbals and psalteries and harps, stood at the east end of the altar, and with them a hundred and twenty priests sounding with trumpets:) (13) It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the LORD; and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of music, and praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy endureth forever: that then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house of the LORD; (14) So that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of God.

Re: The Pilgrim's Progress - posted by Christian (), on: 2004/7/12 11:28

CHRISTIAN: He bid me with speed get rid of my burden; and I told him it was ease that I sought. And, said I, I am therefore going to yonder gate, to receive farther direction how I may get to the place of deliverance. So he said that he would show me a better way, and short, not so attended with difficulties as the way, sir, that you set me in; which way, said he, will direct you to a gentleman's house that hath skill to take off these burdens: so I believed him, and turned out of that way into this, if haply I might be soon eased of my burden. But when I came to this place, and beheld things as they are, I stopped, for fear (as I said) of danger: but I now know not what to do.

EVANGELIST: Then said Evangelist, Stand still a little, that I show thee the words of God. So he stood trembling. Then said Evangelist, "See that ye refuse not Him that speaketh; for if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from Him that speaketh from heaven." Heb. 12:25. He said, moreover, "Now the just shall live by faith; but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him." Heb. 10:38. He also did thus apply them: Thou art the man that art running into this misery; thou hast begun to reject the counsel of the Most High, and to draw back thy foot from the way of peace, even almost to the hazarding of thy perdition.

Then Christian fell down at his feet as dead, crying, Woe is me, for I am undone! At the sight of which Evangelist caught him by the right hand, saying, "All manner of sin and blasphemies shall be forgiven unto men." Matt. 12:31. "Be not faithless, but believing." John 20:27. Then did Christian again a little revive, and stood up trembling, as at first, before Evangelist.

Then Evangelist proceeded, saying, Give more earnest heed to the things that I shall tell thee of. I will now show thee who it was that deluded thee, and who it was also to whom he sent thee. The man that met thee is one Worldly Wiseman, and rightly is he so called; partly because he savoreth only the doctrine of this world, 1 John 4:5, (therefore he always goes to the town of Morality to church;) and partly because he loveth that doctrine best, for it saveth him best from the crosses, Gal. 6:12: and because he is of this carnal temper, therefore he seeketh to pervert my ways, though right. Now there are three things in this man's counsel that thou must utterly abhor.

1. His turning thee out of the way.
2. His laboring to render the cross odious to thee.
3. And his setting thy feet in that way that leadeth unto the administration of death.

First, Thou must abhor his turning thee out of the way; yea, and thine own consenting thereto; because this is to reject the counsel of God for the sake of the counsel of a Worldly Wiseman. The Lord says, "Strive to enter in at the straight gate," Luke 13:24, the gate to which I send thee; "for strait is the gate that leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it." Matt. 7:13,14. From this little wicket-gate, and from the way thereto, hath this wicked man turned thee, to the bringing of thee almost to destruction: hate, therefore, his turning thee out of the way, and abhor thyself for hearkening to him.

Secondly, Thou must abhor his laboring to render the cross odious unto thee; for thou art to prefer it before the treasures of Egypt. Heb. 11:25,26. Besides, the King of glory hath told thee, that he that will save his life shall lose it. And he that comes after him, and hates not his father, and mother, and wife, and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be his disciple. Mark 8:38; John 12:25; Matt. 10:39; Luke 14:26. I say, therefore, for a man to labor to persuade thee that that shall be thy death, without which, the truth hath said, thou canst not have eternal life, this doctrine thou must abhor.

Thirdly, Thou must hate his setting of thy feet in the way that leadeth to the ministration of death. And for this thou must consider to whom he sent thee, and also how unable that person was to deliver thee from thy burden.

He to whom thou wast sent for ease, being by name Legality, is the son of the bond-woman which now is, and is in bondage with her children, Gal. 4:21-27, and is, in a mystery, this Mount Sinai, which thou hast feared will fall on thy head. Now if she with her children are in bondage, how canst thou expect by them to be made free? This Legality, therefore, is not able to set thee free from thy burden. No man was as yet ever rid of his burden by him; no, nor ever is like to be: ye cannot be justified by the works of the law; for by the deeds of the law no man living can be rid of his burden: Therefore Mr. Worldly Wiseman is an alien, and Mr. Legality is a cheat; and for his son Civility, notwithstanding his simpering looks, he is but a hypocrite, and cannot help thee. Believe me, there is nothing in all this noise that thou hast heard of these sottish men, but a design to beguile thee of thy salvation, by turning thee from the way in which I had set thee. After this, Evangelist called aloud to the heavens for confirmation of what he had said; and with that there came words and fire out of the mountain under which poor Christian stood, which made the hair of his flesh stand up. The words were pronounced: "As many as are of the works of the law, are under the curse; for it is written, Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them." Gal. 3:10.

Now Christian looked for nothing but death, and began to cry out lamentably; even cursing the time in which he met with Mr. Worldly Wiseman; still calling himself a thousand fools for hearkening to his counsel. He also was greatly ashamed to think that this gentleman's arguments, flowing only from the flesh, should have the prevalency with him so far as to cause him to forsake the right way. This done, he applied himself again to Evangelist in words and sense as follows.

Christian Merlino

Re: - posted by tjadens_monk, on: 2004/11/28 16:09

a lot of heavy things in here. Night and day prayer is a must. I read recently of Spurgeon something to the effect of "the prayer on the alter in the closet should be burning continually." When we assemble together as believers, it is this fire that collects, grows and burns so strongly. What moves us to pray but the urging of the Spirit, and the sight of our poverty, blindness and nakedness?

what a state to be living in. one would point to the feast days and the praise of the living man, but what of the daughters of Jerusalem, the state of the church, the absence of the word of the Lord, and the absence of the bridegroom.

it all seems to go in a cycle. mourning and fasting and weeping and interceding, then the joy of the Lord being set before us, the fear of the Lord moving in front of us, the steadfast promise of the almighty One and the praise of the people .. then back to the groaning and mourning for His Church to be changed from glory to glory and His imminent return ... it's enough to think our hope might be deferred! But He is true.

It is odd. The rending of hearts prepare the way for the Lord as told in Joel and the praising and rejoicing brought the presence of the Lord in 2 Chronicles. And then Jesus says Jerusalem will no longer see him until she proclaims "blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord", obviously a declaration of praise. the struggle, the paradox! But you know, I suppose praise is a form of prayer. Watchman Nee wrote "what prayer may fail to accomplish, praise can. ... We usually think that as long as a burden is heavy we should pray, and when the prayer is over, it is time to praise. Indeed when a burden is heavy we should pray, yet sometimes it becomes so heavy that we are unable to do so. This then, is the time for praise. Do not wait until the burden is over before you start to praise." any thoughts?

~ Clayton

Re: Night and Day on My Knees - posted by Christian (), on: 2004/11/29 7:35

“The joy of the lord is with them that fear Him”. In one of the great turning points in my life I can remember being under much agony in prayer. Yet at the same time such a tremendous inward joy had come over me. I actually questioned this joy in such dire straits. That was 15 years ago, and night and day on my knees was the result.

It has been some time since I wrote this letter.

Much has happened; the opposition I received in the institutional church is tremendous. The agony in prayer for this lost generation still lies heavy upon my heart. But the one point that I stand on is the wonderful joy of Him, Jesus, when I am alone on my knees with my savior. May the Lord Jesus step down and rend the heavens and shake the mountains.

Christian Merlino Nov 29, 2004

Re: - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2004/11/29 10:40

Quote:

-----Christian Merlino Nov 29, 2004

Ahhh dear brother Christian!! I am glad to see you back and sharing your heart with the body that is gathered at this site. Please do feel free to share more your emphasis and heart is something people need to hear more. Be blessed dear brother.

Re: This may well be the most important....., on: 2005/1/31 16:33

....thread in this forum currently.

On the one hand, I'm so encouraged. This is the first place that I have found any allies in this area. Thank you, thank you, thank you for your courage.

A few years ago I was attending this church that had early morning prayer meetings each weekday. Then they went to 3 times a week. Now, it has ceased. So tragic. I was at one of these meetings when one of the elders told me, "you know, I have a lovely wife, a beautiful home, 2 beautiful children and a precious grandbaby. I am in need of nothing". The parallel to Rev. 3 makes my flesh tremble. This person is a clean living man as far as I can see. He is warm, caring etc. But I know he missed the similarity. I didn't. I was in tears. How widespread this spiritual disease of prosperity really is.

I've been begging my wife to trash our two tv's. You know, the open pipelines to hell's gates? She is reluctant because she likes to watch it. I've been so convicted about it for so long. I've been praying for God to change her heart as well. Sadly, she sees no alternative, even when she knows that God would fellowship with her. My, my.

If it's in my home, I often watch it too. That makes it even worse. I hate it because I do. Thank God.

Saints, a book could easily be written about this. Speaking of which, are all these messages in printed form somewhere? I don't hear too well, and find the audio difficult to follow. I'd love to read them all. Any help?

Also, could it be that we are in the fix we are now in part because we've all but annihilated apostles, prophets, evangelists and teachers? I think so. It's kinda like a child being raised with only one parent. God gave all 5 and more to the church for the training of the saints. But pastors have built kingdoms of their own that prosper themselves the most. Their god has become their belly. They do not want to share the tithe with any others. Furthermore, many are petrified that their lack of spirituality may be discovered if a real man/woman of God came on the scene. When this does happen, the new person's character is assassinated at the earliest opportunity.

I could go on, but I'll stop. Thank you again for your candor, love, and fear in trembling. Please pray for me, a man terribly undone.

Re: Night and day on my knees - posted by Tears_of_joy, on: 2006/12/4 1:17

brother Christian, where are you?

Preach brother!

Re: Digging around brings some blessings to the surface..., on: 2007/2/15 20:11

As I was browsing through the forum I came across this thread from a couple years back and was very blessed. If you have time to read over this, it is very encouraging.

Quote:

-----Christian: Oh how we must fight and pray! So many are going to hell! We must pray, rise early, get alone with God. Jesus' honor is at stake; I will not dishonor him by prayerlessness. I will not be blinded but will look to Jesus at all cost.

I will worship the lord Jesus.
Night and day on my knees I will go.
Onward to victory,
In Christ Jesus our lord.

Night and day on my knees .
Night and day on my knees.

Quote:

-----Sermonindex: Martin Luther said that before God chooses to do a big thing in His church He sets a people praying.

Quote:

-----Sermonindex: YES! this is life and death Christians, we need to get serious and realize what is happening all around us in the church and in the world. How fast this life is over, how well will you use it to glory the one who purchased it with His blood.

Is the way you are living today worth Christ dying for?
-Leonard Ravenhill

Quote:

-----SermonIndex: Let's be honest brothers and sisters in our day the solution is not to be more doctrinally sound in our churches. I am tired with spending my energies and time fighting in churches and fellowships over small doctrinal differences. The churches overall are backslidden, how much of a difference are we making in society, in our cities, how much of an impact is your life having in this world. The group of 150 disciples turned the world upside down, or at least a city, couldn't it be the same for us. We need to be God consumed people, we all need God more in our lives. This is the dire need of the day, how much are you willing to sacrifice, is the life you are living now worth Christ dying for? We need revival will it begin with you?

Quote:

-----crsschk:We need a prophet like him (Leonard Ravenhill) even more so now.
But who would listen? Seriously.
A few? Could the churches stand to hear a message of repentance, judgement, wrath, hell?
Surrender?

Quote:
-----crsschk:Have mercy on us Lord.
Save us from ourselves

Quote:
-----crsschk:"Everywhere I travel, I keep hearing the defensive teaching that fervent, heartfelt prayer is really overrated and not necessary today. Since God is love, some people reason, we just have to ask once and politely for what we need and everything will turn out fine. No need today for prayer meetings and prolonged times of waiting on the Lord, no sir. No need for anyone to persevere in prayer until the answer comes. No, that's part of an old-fashioned, out-of-date theology that belongs to another era."

Jim Cymbala in "Breakthrough Prayer"

Overrated?
This admission is startling.
Is it any wonder, why, we are lifeless, lukewarm, dying.....content? Content with the way things are?

Quote:
-----Christian: Much has happened; the opposition I received in the institutional church is tremendous. The agony in prayer for this lost generation still lies heavy upon my heart. But the one point that I stand on is the wonderful joy of Him, Jesus, when I am alone on my knees with my savior. May the Lord Jesus step down and rend the heavens and shake the mountains.

So many rich things to think about...'night and day on my knees'...wow.

Re: - posted by deltadom (), on: 2007/2/15 20:21

I have been wanting to be night and day on my knees, with the 24-7 prayer room I did a few days.
I want to have iron knees since my grandpa dying I have found it hard to pray.
Praying night and day on your knees is a cool concept was it Moses who prayed 80 days straight and Elijah 40 days straight with fasting and praying.
I so want to be like them.
I can even pray one day like that!!

Re: - posted by awakenwithin (), on: 2007/2/15 22:26

24/7 night and day, just a couple times have done half of the night. I have never went all night and all day, wow That would be cool. I would like to try that some time.

Re: - posted by Tears_of_joy, on: 2007/2/17 20:37

Quote:
-----Have mercy on us Lord.
Save us from ourselves.

Re: Night and Day - posted by crsschk (), on: 2007/2/18 0:52

Dear sister,

How fascinating to read back through all this. This one post having been brought up at least once a year since 2003

Quote:
-----SermonIndex:Lets be honest brothers and sisters in our day the solution is not to be more doctrinally sound in our churches. I am tired with spending my energies and time fighting in churches and fellowships over small doctrinal differences. The churches overall are backslidden, how much of a difference are we making in society, in our cities, how much of an impact is your life having in this world. The group of 150 disciples turned the world upside down, or at least a city, couldn't it be the same for us. We need to be God consumed people, we all need God more in our life's. This is the dire need of the day, how much are you willing to sacrifice, is the life you are living now worth Christ dying for? We need revival will it begin with you?

How we need to hear this again. Thank you sister for digging this back up, once again.

Re: Night and day on my knees - posted by Christian (), on: 2007/2/21 9:41

Praise be to the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, the God of Jacob, the God of the living. To him who died for me, to him who shed his blood for me, all honor and praise unto the name of Jesus Christ. O how wonderful have been these days, walking alone on the battle field and Christ revealing Himself unto me. O, to have Christ, in Christ, one with Christ, what joy unspeakable and full of glory. No pink clouds, no bright lights, just plain salty down to earth realism. All we need is Christ!

O, dear Christian, if we could just understand this. Christ is what is lacking in our lives; The Divine revelation in our intuition revealing unto our spirit that Spirit which was in Christ. We have the mind of Christ, "they will worship in spirit and in truth". O, dear regenerated spirits, it is all a questing of WILL, Christ has set you free from sin, no longer a slave to sin but a slave to righteousness, Christ's righteousness, praise God.

Brothers in Christ let us apprehend the rapture coming upon us and turn from within unto Christ who is in heaven and there have our lives prepared for or heaven. Let us remember that Christ is emotionally concerned about us first. Let us seek a solitary place and there worship Christ our Lord in spirit and in truth. As for me I will worship the Lord on my face. May the power of the Holy Ghost rise up within and set us free that Christ's love would flow like a river of living water. Let us cooperate with this Divine Spirit in our spirit, and there give our lives to Christ.

Christian Roy Merlino
February 21, 2007

For those with a heart and perseverance I suggest the reading of "The spiritual man" by Watchman Nee. <http://www3.telus.net/trbrooks/SMCFP.htm>
I have read it twice and have received great truth. I must say this is the best I have read yet.

Re: Night and day on my knees - posted by Christian (), on: 2011/11/22 17:11

Ok, its been sometime since I wrote this. I have been listening to Ravenhill's son David. David's sermon on the fear of God. How wonderful to hear a man with the spirit of God upon him.

<http://media.sermonindex.net/23/SID23409.mp3>

Re: - posted by mama27, on: 2011/11/22 17:21

I am right there with you, Brother Christian. Only it is not just the Church, the cesspool has entered my home. I am so rushed I can hardly breathe.....Lord have mercy!

Re: - posted by Christian (), on: 2011/11/22 18:07

"HAS THE CHURCH LOST THE FEAR OF THE LORD" October 22 2011
<http://media.sermonindex.net/23/SID23409.mp3>

What a wonderful message. I was greatly moved to tears when I first heard this. Though I am not acquainted with any of David's work or sermons, I have read and listen to much of Leonard Ravenhill. It was wonderful to hear of the great love David has for this man. I first heard about Leonard in 1993 because of his book A Treasury of Prayer, E.M.Bounds. I was so impressed with E.M.Bounds that I read the complete writings. I believe Leonard had a hand in getting these reprinted. I was going to give Leonard a phone call but regrettably never did.

In 2001 I gained access to many of Leonard's audio sermons, and spent several years listening to Ravenhill and Tozer. Many times I have heard him speak of his son David. Many times I have quoted Tozer "as for me and Leonard, we will worship God on your faces."

It was wonderful hearing this heart felt message on the Fear of the Lord. I told my dad, Roy 76 years old, 30 years my senior, about the message and we have been talking about it all week. Roy was reading "Why revival Tarries, Ravenhill" again. We are both indebted to the prayerful work of Leonard Ravenhill and David. We are both deeply moved by it

his this message.
In Christ Jesus,
Christian Merlino

Re: - posted by Christian (), on: 2011/11/22 18:10

" Only it is not just the Church, the cesspool has entered my home."

Yes, we have all been deceived. But thank Jesus you can feel the fear of the Lord, many feel nothing.