

Are You Longing for Revival?

“Because of this our heart is faint; Because of these [things] our eyes grow dim; Because of Mount Zion which is desolate, with foxes walking about on it. You, O LORD, remain forever; your throne from generation to generation. Why do you forget us forever, [And] forsake us for so long a time? Turn us back to You, O LORD, and we will be restored; Renew our days as of old, Unless You have utterly rejected us, [And] are very angry with us!” (La 5:17-22 NKJV)

The people of God had come to a very low point in their history. Their nation was plagued with sin, and their temple was desolate with wild animals using it as their own. While we no longer worship in the temple we could make a similar cry for many of our churches that are overrun with sin and lay impotent.

The writer falls back to a staple for comfort by acknowledging the Lord’s eternal nature. He knew that God had not lost control. The Father knows what is happening to you at all times; His eye is never closed to your calamities. Therefore, he prays for deliverance.

His prayer appeals to God’s mercy. Why do you forget us forever, and forsake us for so long a time? Then, He asks for God’s power to turn them back to God. He knows the people are guilty of sin, but he asks God to turn them back. By this humility, he acknowledges the Lord’s sovereignty. Then again, he appeals to the Lord’s character when he says unless you have utterly rejected us—something God will never do to His own.

Are you longing for revival? If so, then you need to appeal to Lord’s mercy. We must cry out to God for help. We must acknowledge our sin has brought us to this condition. Then, we must trust that God is faithful. He who asks must ask in faith.

Prayer is the fuel for revival. It puts the Lord in control, and puts us at His mercy. If you are longing for revival, then begin to pray that God will restore our nation. He is the only one that can do it!

I believe there is always hope for the children of God. If you have not listened to Richard Owen Robert’s message about revival then please do so. I think you will find it very encouraging. God bless you as you seek Him.

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