

Psalm 85:6 – “Will you not revive us again, that Your people may rejoice in You?” We cannot produce revival, ear revival, or arrange revival. We can only meet God’s conditions and seek His face. Wesley Duewel in his book *Revival Fire*, lists ten things we can learn from the revivals of the past.

- (1) Savonarola proved that one person can turn the tide.
- (2) No one is too young to be used by God.
- (3) Whitefield, Wesley, and Finney, from the time they were filled with the Spirit seemed to be chosen specifically for revival.
- (4) Witnessing and evangelism are God-ordained and are constantly used by God. However, evangelism without revival lacks the full manifestation of God’s glorious presence and power.
- (5) Most revival meetings have been characterized by deep conviction of sin and much public confession.
- (6) People who find spiritual liberty in revival experience great joy.
- (7) Revival fires can be spread by oral and written testimonies, newspapers, on radio and TV, through letters, and over the telephone.
- (8) The Holy Spirit is the leader in all God-sent revival.
- (9) Revival history shows us that God can and will send revival again and again to the same place or to new places if there are people there who meet God’s revival conditions.

When we pray for revival, we never know what God will send. He chooses, because He knows what is needed more than we do. All revivals are similar, but they are never exactly the same. The most common revival promise is given in II Chronicles 7:14: “If my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray, and seek my face, then I will hear from Heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land.” Don’t give up. Keep praying, and remember: “Let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart.” Keep praying, and encourage those you know to take up the burden. HA