



PRAYER 4 AWAKENING

About Church Awakenings

“EVERY TRUE REVIVAL HAS HAD ITS EARTHLY ORIGIN IN PRAYER.”
-R. A. TORREY



Quotes from [Authentic Records of Revival](#)
Rev. William Reid

The Third Great Awakening in Ireland

What is revival? Strictly speaking, it is the restoration of the life that has been lost.
And in this sense, applies only to the church.”

Rev. William Reid

“Never before had we experienced a day of such sweet refreshing from the presence of the Lord.”

Rev. John Stuart

“The striking feature of revival in people here is their insatiable thirst for prayer.” (Boveva, Ireland, 1859)

Rev. Adam McGill

“For over four weeks a united prayer meeting has been held every day, filling the largest of the meeting-houses. Persons, who formerly would have said they did not have time to attend a prayer meeting once a month, have had time to attend twice a day with their entire family...”

Adapation Rev. G.S. Shanks

Principles of Awakening and Revival

From Scripture and history we find some principles of awakening and revival. It is, however, God's choice on whom and when to send His Spirit.

1. We must gather together as an assembly of believers
2. We must humble ourselves by fasting and praying
3. We must confess our sins
4. We must repent
5. We will worship
6. We will be empowered for ministry



How do we pray for awakening in churches and Christian ministries?

- Pray fervently and without ceasing!
- Fast.
- Spend time in silence as a congregation.
- Acknowledge our desperation. Only God can do this.
- Ask God to convict us of our sins, corporately.
- As a church body, spend as much time listening as praying.
- Confess sins of the church.
- Ask Him to cleanse the body and fill believers with His spirit.
- Make restoration with God and fellow believers.
- Worship together, singing and praising the Almighty God.
- Stand strong against the Accuser.
- Ask Him to empower us for His work.

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ADAPATION

-NORMAN GRUBB.

"What does it say about our churches today that God birthed the church in prayer meeting, and prayer meetings today are almost extinct?"

Jim Cymbala

"Again, I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything you ask for, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them." MATTHEW 18:19-20

PRAYER

O Lord, who has mercy upon all, take away our sins, and mercifully kindle in us the fire of thy Holy Spirit. Take away our hearts of stone, and give us a heart of flesh, a heart to love and adore thee, a heart to delight in thee, to follow and to enjoy thee, for Christ's sake.

Adaptation (Ambrose of Milan, c 339-97)

Practice:

- Gather a group of believers and begin praying for awakening in your church and/or Christian ministry.
- Yearn, desire, long for awakening.
- Read John 17. Present a grateful heart to God.
- Pray.
- Watch and listen.

There is hope...His name is Jesus!

