



The Exchange Discussion Questions “The Greatest Need of the Church Is...”

Defining Revival

1. Have you ever experienced a revival or witnessed others go through one? What was it like?
2. Revival looks differently to different people: DL Moody says revival raises Christians to a higher plane in their experience and enables them to enjoy the fullness of the Holy Spirit. Charismatic people say that supernatural manifestations of God in their lives are a result of revival (i.e. speaking in tongues). Wesleyan holiness movement has emphasised holinesses of heart and life, or entire sanctification, resulting from revival. What does a spiritual revival look like to you? How do you know if you have been “revived”?
3. What role do you think doctrine/teaching plays in revival?
4. What role does “success” (seeing results) play in motivating a revival? Do you think success is a good motivator?
5. What truth or part of the gospel gives you the most encouragement?
6. What truth or part of the gospel discourages you the most?

The Boundaries of Revival

7. Modern revivals often focus on an emotional spiritual experience; do you think this is good or bad?
8. Do you think there is a difference between faith and feeling? How do you balance these two?
9. What role do you think witnessing has with revival? Are witnessing and revival mutually dependent or exclusive?

The Fruit of Revival

10. What’s the difference between a personal revival and a communal revival? (are there different causal factors or results?)
11. Is it possible to have unity in diversity? How much diversity is still considered unity?
12. What causes some revivals to have lasting effect while others seem to fade away after a few weeks or months?