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Acts 5:38-39 NIV – Gamaliel to the Sanhedrin

"So, my advice is, leave these men alone. Let them go. If they are planning and doing these things merely on their own, it will soon be overthrown. But if it is from God, you will not be able to overthrow them. You may even find yourselves fighting against God!"



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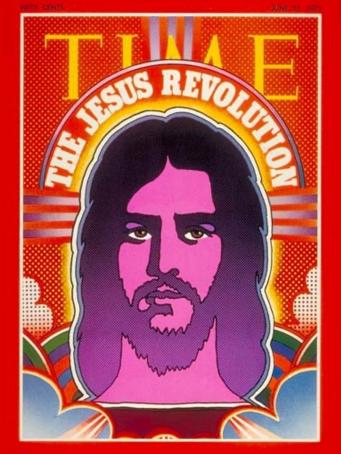


Revival Defined

- Renewal God gives new life to the heart of an individual;
 experiencing God's love, grace, and power anew
- Revival God gives new life to a community of faith; they
 experience a fresh power to live as disciples on mission
- Movement the Spirit moves beyond localized revival; new churches emerge marked by a certain ethos and mission
- Awakening an entire society is impacted by a mighty move of God (mass conversions, church growth, systemic changes)

















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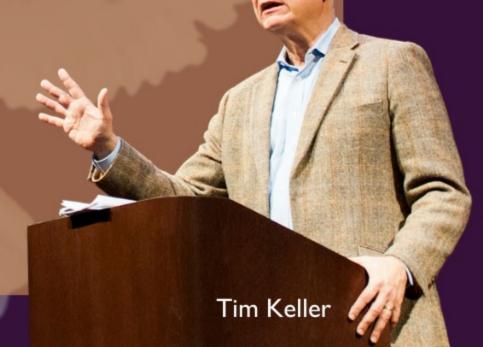
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3 Things You Will See Happen

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- 2. Nominal Christians get converted
- 3. Non-Christians come to Christ



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And this is what you do to experience revival!

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For revival to come in the US, three things must happen:

- 1. The church must "escape political captivity"
- 2. We must distinguish "the gospel from moralism"
- 3. We must unite in "extraordinary prayer"

"if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

2 Chronicles 7:14 NIV

"Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts. See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting."

Psalm 139:23-24 NRSV

PRAYER FOR REVIVAL

The following prompts are a guide for our prayers:

- 1. Ask God to search your heart. Confess your sins to him. Pray for the Spirit to help you repent of your sins and follow him.
- 2. Pray for Grantham Church and the churches in our region. Pray that God would pour out his Spirit on his people and send renewal and revival for the sake of the gospel.
- 3. Pray for our country and our world. Pray for the lost and the hurting. Ask God to awaken souls to know his love and grace.

What is revival, really

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