

Sermon Notes

Providence Community Church

10-14-18 Ken Carlton

Title: REVIVAL CRY

Main Text: Psalm 85

Aim: TO INSPIRE AND DIRECT A BIBLICAL PASSION FOR REVIVAL

Sermon Description: Since I can remember, the Evangelical church in America has been interested in revival. There has been a steady drum beat for a widespread move of God in our land for sometime. Revival speaks to a calling back to life that which has grown cold, stagnated, corrupted, or died. In Biblical contexts revival is a reordering of lives and affections according to the terms of covenant by the power of the Holy Spirit. Revival movements through the centuries have come in and out of style in the Christian community. It seems that methods employed to call back to life the lethargic church often assume that we must do something extraordinary if we have any hope for extraordinary results. This approach can lead to dangerous spiritual hysteria and unbiblical means endorsed and practiced. Psalm 85 calls us to a Biblical approach to seeking the advent of revival among the people of God. The desperation is apparent in the context and attitude of the psalmist's plea while the steps he promotes toward his cause are according to the sovereign direction of the only one who can ultimately effect revival – namely the Lord Himself. The passage of scripture available to the author at the time and most likely in view is Exodus 34:5-11. Here the original promises and conditions of Spiritual vitality are clearly revealed. According to this standard, our author makes his case for revival...

Heading: ...THE PURSUIT OF REVIVAL IN PS 85 IS MARKED BY...

1. REDEMPTION RECOUNTED (Ps 85:1-3)

- a. 4 salvation verbs
- b. Scope of redemption
- c. 1st kind of turning

2. RENEWAL REQUESTED (4-7)

- a. 2nd Kind of turning (Ez 37:4-10)
- b. Withhold/extend
- c. Purpose

3. RESPONSIBILITY AKNOWLEDGED (8-9)

- a. Pronoun progression
- b. Listening saints
- c. 3rd Kind of turning

4. RECONCILIATION PROCLAIMED (10-13)

- a. Literary communion & the cross
- b. Fruitfulness
- c. Role of the Herald

FAMILY WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:	Theme:
Redemption	Revival	Responsibility	Reconciliation	Foundation	Next week
Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:	Verses:
Psalm 85:1-3	4-7	8-9	10-13	Ex 34:5-11	Gal 2:15-21

NEXT WEEK: *Galatians 2:15-21*