



EPISODE NINE - LESSONS FROM LIVING THROUGH REVIVAL STEVE UPPAL & LYDIA MARROW

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LIVING THROUGH A MOVE OF GOD

Acts gives us a glimpse of what daily life following Jesus looks like. We gravitate to coldness and deadness – so we need revival to close the gap between our experience and the book of Acts. Brownsville was a revival of holiness. The Bay revival brought miraculous signs following the preaching of the gospel. Both were much needed to close the gap.

Lydia prayed the sinner's prayer at five years old but was radically changed at 11 years old the first night she came to Brownsville. The Hebrew for glory is chabod or weightiness: she felt the air was heavy with His presence! When the Bay revival started, God's power lifted her bodily in an intense experience and many people in the meeting were healed or converted even without being prayed for. God's presence is magnetic or attractive.

In Pensacola now there are good churches but no sense of God's concentrated presence, nor in the Mobile convention centre where many of the Bay revival meetings were. Looking to the future, Jesus will unlock the doors that no one can shut, we are being forced to streamline everything to become ready and it will not be centred on a few ministries but the whole church of disciples coming together.

KEY LESSONS

1. We need to pray to see revival again. In the Bay revival people would meet in homes to pray because the main meetings were in public, not church, buildings.
 2. Revival history suggests human characteristics that have not been sanctified or transformed by the Cross will led to disunity and stop the revival: be like Jesus (Phil 2)
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QUOTES

"A lot of people who were in various revivals are the first people to judge the next move."

"The book of Acts is the blueprint."

"The UK and United States never have revivals apart from one another. So if either of our nations steps into a move, watch for the other."

"When God marks you in a revival you will never be the same again."

"I hate fasting but that is the whole point - it crucifies my flesh ... I am motivated [to fast and pray] because I want my children to see a move of God."

"When revival comes it will put such a huge magnifying glass on who you are and who you are not."

CONVERSATION/REFLECTION TIME - WHAT DO WE THINK?

1. Why do different revivals seem to have a different characteristics or emphases?
 2. Why is prayer as a church family so important? How can you take a greater part in prayer?
 3. How can we prevent fame, numbers and money from spoiling revival?
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