

What Is the Nature of a True Missionary Revival?

by Andrew Murray

A true missionary revival requires a personal devotion to Christ Jesus and a new effusion of the Holy Spirit to bring about increased effectiveness in the Lord's work.

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Description

Andrew Murray emphasizes that a true missionary revival requires more than just temporary enthusiasm or increased interest; it demands a deep, personal devotion to Christ that remains steadfast amidst changes. He argues that the church needs a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit to inspire genuine dedication and effectiveness in missionary work. Murray highlights that the call for more missionaries can only be met through a collective spiritual awakening and commitment to the Lord's work, akin to a second Pentecost.

Transcript

What must be the nature of a true missionary

revival? An increased missionary interest, awakened by intelligence from the field, and stirring appeals, is not enough. It is simply temporary, passing away after a time.

We need a devotion and an enthusiasm having its root, its strength, and its permanence through all surrounding changes, in a personal devotion to

Christ Jesus, in a life rooted in Christ.

In "The History Of The Church Missionary Society" we read:

'At a time when new missionaries were urgently needed, and the

Committee were asking for special prayer that they might be raised up,

Ridgeway reminded the Society that what was needed was really another

Pentecost.

The lack of missionaries is, no doubt, the point of immediate pressure. But that can be met only by increased effectiveness on the part of the whole spiritual body, in more single dedication to the Lord's work, more holy energy, more true devotion. And how shall this be, except by a new effusion of that Spirit, who is the mover and promoter to all holy action, and the dispenser of all needful gifts and grace?'

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