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them one at a time.”*

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From The Heart Of An Intercessor

Second Reformation (Part Two)

The need of the church is for Holy Ghost power, Pentecostal power. Let me make it crystal clear that Pentecost is not a denomination but an experience with the living God that enthalls us into the very throne of the Almighty.

The Christians of yester-years longed for the glory of God and if they didn't sense His presence, they called a fast and sometimes those fasts lasted for days. The early Christians cried for unction and not for fame and popularity because they knew that unction produces holy host conviction. John Fletcher of Maddley, England, was a saint, but he refused to go to the pulpit until he was assured that Christ would go there with him. Dr. P.F. Bresee was a seraphic pulpiter and a wise leader, but in his own story of how he used to spend much of Saturday in bed soaking his pillow with tears of intercession for lost souls. He came to the pulpit with a shining face because he, like Moses, had spent his time in the holy mount with God, and no wonder he was able to move his congregation into tears.

A.W. Tozer was a 20th century prophet and a prolific author, who used to pack his Chicago Church every Sunday morning as people came from miles to hear the sweet exposition of the Word of God. He did not dabble in funny remarks and silly quips like some today. Yes, it is unction we need, not entertainment from men. I believe what happened in the book of Acts can happen again if we would humble ourselves and cry out to God for mercy and pardon. God is looking for clean vessels whom He can use. Are we clean? *"Be ye clean that bear the vessels of the Lord."* Merciful God, give us clean hands and pure hearts! The moral climate of our nation and the world presents a formidable challenge to the Christian Church. Those who have eyes to see and ears to hear and are truly observant tell us that at this very moment evil forces are out to defy and defame every sacred issue known to Christians. The need is horrendous, it is desperate, and it is awful. We need God in an hour such as this! We need a renewal of holiness, not a seminar. We've right theology but wrong living. As people of faith, too often we do some shabby living and expect to become godly. We take short cuts in biblical holiness and expect to develop godly character. To have a godly outcome, we must commit to godly living. If we want renewal, we need to get right with God. If we are not prepared to pay the price for renewal in our prayer closet, let's stop all our religious patronage. It is about time we hunger and thirst for righteousness. Are we thirsty for God? *"I will pour water upon him that is thirsty and floods upon the dry ground."* There can be

no unction without heart purity. The magnificent work of the Holy Spirit is to purify and then empower. Obedience is the criteria in which God works in our lives. Hudson Taylor, the great missionary to China, who said while addressing a meeting in Perth, Australia, *"God gives His Holy Spirit not to those who long for him, not to those who pray to Him, not to those who desire to be filled always; He gives His Holy Spirit to those who obey."*

Man-made programs and carnal activities and popular book studies just do not stand the light of God's holy presence; and more soul-travail and more brokenness will nullify much carnality, status quo, mean politics, evil surmises and county-club atmosphere in some of our churches. True renewal prolongs, because, to a large degree, the majority of professing believers will reject the vessel God sends on the basis of name recognition. God will use the unexpected, the ones who have gone through the "pangs of birth pain," who have been prepared in the "furnace of affliction," who have known how to yield themselves to the indwelling of the precious Holy Spirit. And they shall shine forth with the glory of the Son of God upon them. Then all shall know that there is a living God in the land and He has set the remnant in array for a spiritual invasion.

When true Reformation takes place, God will raise up someone with no name recognition and he will step up to the plate and speak courageously for Jehovah God, and when that happens there will be true repentance and genuine contrition. When God moves in the midst of His people with apostolic power, preachers shall not talk of church growth, but they shall talk of God's glory. They shall not talk of visiting evangelists or famous Christian leaders, but they shall talk of the magnificent presence of the holy One of Israel. Power and purity can never be absent from God's holy realm. In times of Reformation, Christians will reject love of luxury, secret sympathy with the world, selfishness, pride and unholy alliance.

Don't ever cast God's praying people aside. If there is no Moses on God's mount making intercession, people will languish in confusion and chaos. If there are no Aarons and no Hurs to hold up the hands of the weak, judgment of God will be certain. When true Reformation comes, we shall no more ask who is preaching, for God, the Preacher, will preach through His yielded vessels. If we reject the anointed vessel that God sends, if we ignore the premise of true renewal, we stand to lose the blessings of God promised in His Word. Before we can experience the renewal that makes us wholesome, we must seek the truth which makes us free. God said: *"Be ye holy; for I am holy." He did not say, "Be ye as holy as I am holy," for that would rob Him of His absolute holiness, something that reserved to God alone.*

When Reformation comes, God will visit His people as they have never experienced His presence before. *"They shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint"* (Isaiah 40: 31). When God moves in our land, there wouldn't be any sensation-mongering religious activities which attempt to elevate one's religious profile. For the Lord would say unto His people, even to this nation of America: I have given you much — and to whom much has been given, much shall be required.

When the Lord lights a fire in our soul – how can we play with religious trifles?

2006 Nigerian Crusades / Conferences

With Matthew Skariah

March 26 - April 16, 2006

Isuikwuato Prayer Summit
March 27-29
Isuikwuato, Abia State

City-wide Crusade
March 30-31
Isuikwuato, Abia State

Rally at Abia State Capital
April 3-4

Prayer Conference
April 5-7

Host Minister: Rev. Edwin C. Nwaoha

Conference / Crusade
World For Christ Mission

April 9-15
Akwa, Ibom State

Host Minister: Rev. E.J. Akam

Prayer Conference — April 30 - May 3

Fairview Baptist • Church Durant, Oklahoma
Gerald Kelly, Pastor

From My Heart To Yours...

In obedience to the Great Commission, I plan to go to Nigeria at the end of March for a three-week crusade and prayer conferences. I truly covet your prayers for the salvation of many souls. One of the greatest needs facing Christians today is the need to evangelize the world before Jesus returns. I have said it many times, but I'll say it again: we must continue to face up to the fact that time is running out and the trumpet is ready to sound and Jesus is coming soon.

Let's face it — not all Christians have a burden for the lost! Some folks would rather concentrate on getting a blessing from God instead of being a blessing. Some talk about the joy of soul-winning but never participate in the process of winning the lost. Participation costs us our time, effort and money. Oswald J. Smith was so profound when he said, *"Any church that is not seriously involved in helping fulfill the Great Commission has forfeited its biblical right to exist."* We are enriched while we evangelize. Our torch emits while we light the lamp of others.

I know most of you cannot go. Since you cannot go, would you please hold the "rope" and hold it well? When we get to feel what God feels for the world, we're more likely to understand the compassion of a loving Father. Remember, Jesus is our focus, heaven is our destination, and reaching the lost is our goal. Let's "declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous deeds among all people" (Psalm 96:3).

Serving under the great Shepherd,

Matthew Skariah, WPB Ministries, Inc.