

The Need for a Spiritual Awakening

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Growth Group Questions

Ice Breaker – George Gallup Jr., reports that approximately one half of born again evangelicals do not attend church on a regular basis. Why do you think that is? How would you go about encouraging them to reconsider engaging in the body life of the church? In your opinion are these folks carnal Christians in need of an awakening?

1. In your own words define what a “Spiritual awakening” is.
2. READ Deuteronomy 8:6-14, 19-20; 28:1-68 – The promises of blessings and curses were targeted at the nation of Israel. Do these same blessings and curses apply to any nation? Explain your answer.
3. What is humanism and how does humanism impact a culture? How has it affected our culture in the USA?

4. Where do you think that a spiritual awakening should begin? Why?
5. What would be one or two of the critical pieces for a revival or spiritual awakening to take place? Explain your answer.
6. READ Revelation 3:17 – Would it be fair to compare, generally speaking, the church in Laodicea with the church in the USA?
7. In your opinion what effects would revival or a spiritual awakening have on our church and country? In other words, what should one expect to observe in terms of changes in attitude and actions? Pastor Dave listed 8 potential effects in the wake of a spiritual awakening. Do you remember what they were?

ACTION STEPS

- Spend an evening with the TV off this week, find your favorite quiet place in your home, and spend the time inviting God to reveal to you if there may be a need for a personal spiritual awakening in your life. Invite the Holy Spirit to search your soul to show you areas in your life that are not under God’s direct leadership.
- Determine that every day for the rest of this year and possibly beyond this year you will pray for a spiritual awakening in our church, on the ridge, in our state, and in our country.



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