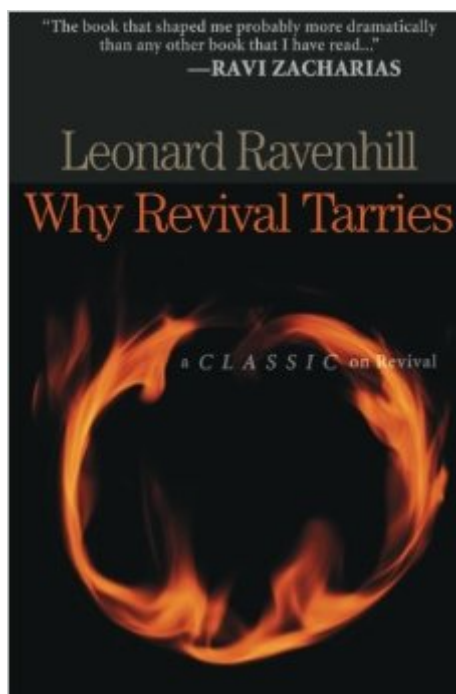


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Synopsis

This is a no-compromise call to biblical revival and spiritual excellence that expounds on the disparity between today's church and the church of Acts.

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Customer Reviews

This book should come with a warning label on it saying: "If you want to destroy your life go ahead and read this book!" This book absolutely destroyed me in every way possible. I remember receiving this book from a friend in Philly and was in a bad season in my life and also remembering being scared to read the book. No wait I wasn't scared to read it I was absolutely terrified, and my pre-concieved notions were correct. Once I picked up that book I was as good as dead. I began to weep and groan for weeks and weeks. The burning words in those pages completely consumed me and scathed me. I was skinned and hung up for death. Everything in my life was burnt up and left in an ash heap before my feet, so that I had to turn to God and say what now? He replied and said do what I have always wanted you to do, die! Everything changed for me, prayer life, ministry, preaching, relationships, church, conduct, and everything else. I walked away broken, battered, and bruised from this book and have never been the same. So with that read this book unless you want to live in your 'normal' Christian life, but if you have enough guts to actually do what the bible says, let Ravenhill expose your fakeness and start all over again from step one!

Leonard Ravenhill was a man of passion. His books represent just a taste of that passion. No other book in the 20th century so captured the heart of a man like this book. Brother Leonard longed for revival. He believed that the Church was playing games with a holy God and that the need of the

hour was for genuine revival praying. This book is not a how to of prayer. It is much more. It is a call to prayer. It is a much needed rebuke of our spiritual laziness and apathy (Amos 4:1). We need men and women of faith to rise up and pray with all their might (1 Samuel 12:23; 1 Thess. 5:17). The sad reality is that the early Church was birthed in prayer (Acts 1:14) but today's church knows nothing of prayer. The prayer meeting, writes Ravenhill, is the Cinderella of the Church. Let this book go through you and may God use it to spark a hunger for Spirit-filled praying (Eph. 6:18; Jude 20).

This book was written in 1959, and 45 years later, what Ravenhill writes is still applicable today! This book is a prophetic call to the Church to wake up and be the Church of God. I picked up this book as it was highly recommended in another book that impacted me (Growing Deep in God by Edmund Chan), and I have found it deeply ministering. Ravenhill writes with many one liners that cuts to the chase in the heart of the matter that he is communicating. Phrases like "No man is greater than his prayer life. The pastor who is not praying is playing; the people who are not praying are straying", "Many pray, but few have faith", "God does not want partnership with us, but ownership of us", and "Our eyes are dry because our hearts are dry" are just some of these phrases that speak mountains of the situation in the Church today. I do not agree with everything Ravenhill writes about, but I read beyond the words and understand his heart from which he writes this book. Ravenhill's desire for God comes across strongly, and anything that is apart from God or does not seem to fit into his godly values would seem as "sin" and hence to be dealt with. Hence, I recommend this book to your reading (and read beyond the words to catch the fire that burns in Ravenhill's heart), and also Edmund Chan's Growing Deep in God. I find that as I read these 2 books, it is like God doing an open heart surgery on me, revealing the true nature of my heart so that I can repent and have God place a new heart in me (Ezekiel 36:26).

My prayer life slowly dwindling into obscurity, regulated to 5 minute sessions here and there, I knew I had to do something to revive my prayer life. I searched various authors and decided to give this one a chance. Thank you God! Within 15 minutes, I was on my knees pleading with God to forgive me for my self-centeredness, my wife wondering what was wrong with me. If it doesn't do the same for you, you are either an Elijah in prayer or your heart is calloused. Either way, you still need to be pray. Very brief yet potent! The author truly has a gift writing psychologically. Thank you, Mr. Ravenhill. My hope is that this work will not return to you void.

Leonard Ravenhill strikes me as a man of integrity by listening to his audios, but just as Paul

mentions in 2 Corinthians that he lacks power in his voice but his written word speaks for itself, Ravenhill draws the power of the Holy Spirit onto paper as best a man can do. Preachers, elders, leaders and all followers of Christ, beware! You're about to get rocked!

Book for a season. If you're hungry to see God move and see the lost saved and the church move again in power, this is the book for you. Be prepared it will tell you how to see these things come about but will also tell you of the cost needed. Made me so much hungrier to see God move and helped lift my limited hunger for prayer to more of a fire!! Awesome book, get it, read it, live it!

"Why Revival Tarries" is truly one book you won't want to put down. With a sort of prophetic voice from the grave, Ravenhill's plead for prayer is just as applicable today as it was when it was published in the 1950's. To call it timeless, would be an understatement. It's the perfect gift for all those searching for personal and/or church-wide revival - and is nothing less than breathtaking.

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