COMING WORLD-WIDE REVIVAL

I. CHARACTERISTICS OF REVIVAL.

- A. Intensified awareness of God.
- B. Acute sensitivity to sin.
- C. Jealous concern for the truth.
- D. Concentration on prayer.
- E. Enhanced standard of conduct.
- F. Strengthened loyalty to the Church.
- **G.** Zeal for evangelism.

II. HISTORY OF REVIVAL.

- A. First Great Awakening (1727-1780).
 - 1. Added to the church 10-20% of population.
 - 2. Jonathan Edwards and George Whitfield.
- B. Second Great Awakening (1792-1842)
 - 1. Charles Finney.
 - 2. Emergence of whole denominations (most denom. born in revival).
 - 3. Effect on missions.
 - 4. Improvement of society (humanitarian efforts).
- C. Third Great Awakening (1857-1859).
 - 1. Jeremiah Lanphier began prayer meetings. 1, 6, 20, 40, 3000, 10,000.
 - 2. Businesses shut down for prayer; whole towns converted.
- D. Fourth Great Awakening (1857-1859?)
 - 1. Preceded by prayer.
 - 2. In midst of great moral decline.
 - 3. People began to seek deeper relationship with the Lord.
 - 4. Promise of outpouring of Spirit.
- E. Pentecostal stream of Fourth Awakening.
 - 1. Azusa Street.
 - 2. Latter rain.
 - **3.** Charismatic Renewal.

III. NEED FOR REVIVAL.

- A. World need.
- B. Unfulfilled commission.

94% unsaved; 2/3 have never heard.

3000 languages--not one verse of scripture.

A. Impotent church.

IV. RESULT OF GREAT OUTPOURING.

- A. Awakened, purified, spiritually powerful church.
- B. Restoration of church to Christianity of New Testament.
- C. Result in unity coming to Body of Christ.

- D. Fulfillment of Great Commission.
- **E.** World-wide persecution.

GROWING EVIDENCE OF COMING REVIVAL.

Growing emphasis on prayer.
Growing interest in spiritual things.
Growing talk about revival.