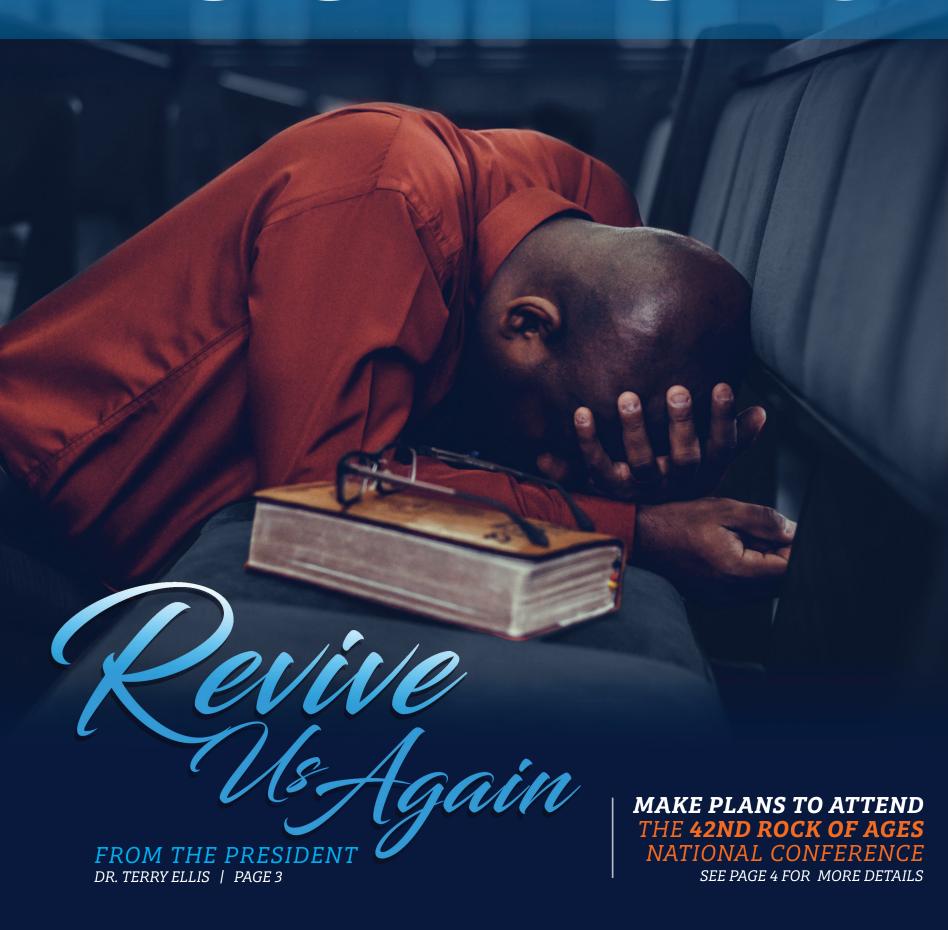
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Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not. *Jeremiah 33:3*

E.M. Bounds said, "Every mighty move of the Spirit of God has had its source in the prayer chamber." If we are to experience revival it must begin in the prayer closet.

evival is not only needed, but it is imperative to the future existence of our churches and nation. When I began preaching over four decades ago I heard a preacher state that he did not believe a wide scale revival was possible because he could not find it in the scriptures. Then, he proceeded to preach a lengthy sermon on why we needed a nation-wide revival in America. Unfortunately, this is the mindset of many Christians today, admitting that we need revival but not believing we can experience one.

C.H. Spurgeon said, "The word revive is from the Latin, and may be interpreted thus to live again, to receive again a life which has almost expired; to rekindle into a flame the vital spark which was nearly extinguished." Therefore, we may conclude that where there is the smallest spark, revival is still possible!

For 42 years I have heard great sermons on the subject of revival and participated in special prayer meetings where revival was the emphasis of our intercession. Before entering the prisons our Rock of Ages revival teams often gather for special prayer asking God to move mightily in the services. God often answers those prayers! On numerous occasions I have experienced God's hand moving in both great and small congregations, in churches, and in prisons. After a careful study of 2 Chronicles and Nehemiah, I am fully persuaded that revival can only come when the heart is fully convinced of the depth of our sin and transgression against God, we

realize that He is the only answer, and beside Him there is no hope. We must make a conscious decision to call on God in repentance and then follow Him with all of our heart, mind, and soul. Revival will result in Christians returning to sound biblical doctrine, separation from the world, and dedication to Christ, holiness, godly living and righteousness.

The 42nd Rock of Ages National Conference starts Sunday, July 28th at Franklin Road Baptist Church, Murfreesboro, Tennessee.

Please pray for the conference and plan on attending. Our theme this year is,

"Revive Us Again!"



By: Dr. Terry Ellis Executive Editor & President

42ND NATIONAL CONFERENCE

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July 28 - August 1, 2019

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By Dr. Ricky Dunsford | Executive Vice President of ROA

"I desired Titus, and with him I sent a brother. Did Titus make a gain of you? walked we not in the same spirit? walked we not in the same steps?" (2 Corinthians 12:18)

he Apostle Paul is making closing remarks to the church at Corinth and states that Titus is his partner in the ministry. He then states that with Titus he sent a brother. Paul uses the Greek work sunapostello meaning "to send along with" or "to accompany as a partner." The apostle Paul knew the great value of working together with the brethren and more so to labor with those that share the same desires and burdens for the ministry. Every day somewhere in the world, the Rock of Ages witnesses a life changed either through the gift of salvation or the discipleship of a new believer. We realize that if it were not for the many which partner with the us, the work would be limited significantly. The work overseas would be near to impossibile for the Rock of Ages if it were not for our brothers and sisters in Christ which accompany us. With cultural differences, communication limitations, and the everchanging political climate, the challenges of working with prisons and schools abroad, while the doors of opportunity are available, is made possible through working with our foreign partners. Through training and making materials available we are partnering with churches around the world reaching tens of thousands of prisoners and public school children.

As a result of our faithful partners here in America, their prayers, giving, and volunteering, the Lord allows Rock of Ages Ministries to see thousands of souls saved every year.



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ROCK OF AGES MINISTRIES PRISON PREVENTION



Brother Rick Hildebrand Director of Juvenile Ministry & Director of Deputation

of Rock of Ages it is my desire to get local churches involved in reaching the troubled youth in their community before they end up in a state correctional facility. Fifteen years ago, the Lord opened a great and effectual door to the schools of America through the Rock of Ages Prison Prevention Program. It was birthed in a school in Mississippi when a school principal approached several Rock of Ages missionaries and volunteers that were across the street from her school passing

out gospel tracts. She spoke of 30 students in the school that had parents in prison and invited them to speak to the students. The "Character under Construction" lessons being used across America are changing the lives of hundreds and thousands of troubled youth and their families. Pastor Randy Cook of Shining Light Baptist Church, in North Carolina, is a pastor that has a burden to reach the troubled youth of his area because of the growing influence of drugs in this rural community.



ROCK OF AGES MINISTRIES PRISON PREVENTION



Pastor Randy Cook Shining Light Baptist Church

have been volunteering with the Rock of Ages Ministries Prison Prevention team for seven years. I have seen this program cause children to open up and talk about the things they are dealing with, and one child in particular comes to mind. She was attending an elementary school where the Character Under Construction (CUC) is being taught. The teachers and principal opened up to me about some discipline issues this 3rd grade girl was experiencing. They stated that she had so much anger built up inside of her that they were concerned about what she might be capable of doing.

As the weeks passed by, this young girl became more involved in the CUC classes and started participating in the Tater Classes. I asked if she would like to come to church with us and she responded "Yes," so I made a visit with her family to discuss the matter. The next Sunday I picked her up in the church van. She enjoyed coming to church and her attitude began to change. The school faculty noticed the changes in her life and thanked us for caring for the students and getting involved.

After a few months her entire family was in church, her dad got saved while attending a revival at our church.

I am thankful this family is still in church, serving the Lord. The family joined a good Bible believing church in the area where they live. When they see me they never fail to give me a big hug and thank me for telling them about Christ.

I am teaching CUC in three elementary schools and one middle school. One of the schools that I started teaching in two years ago, is located in a community where we are planting a church. We have had many unchurched parents tell us they are going to attend this church because of the relationships we have built with the students in that community. It is our prayer that the Lord will change many lives and families in this city where drugs are taking over. We are also in contact with our local jail and court system about starting up prison prevention and jail ministry thru the Rock of Ages. We would ask that you remember this in your prayers.

I own and operate a small pest control business in our area. If I am treating a home where one of the students that attend my class lives, they will tell their parents that I am the tater guy, which always opens up doors for me to discuss CUC with the parents and witness to them. Most parents are thankful that we have the liberty to teach biblical based curriculum on character, ethics, and morals. I too am thankful for the CUC and for the blessings it has brought to our church and ministry.



KNEEL IN PLACE OF A MEAL

Heavenly Father has burdened my heart to start a prayer crusade across America called "Kneel in Place of a Meal." I am asking you to kneel and fast one meal Monday, Wednesday, and Friday each week until Heaven intervenes. God has promised in 2 Chronicles 7:14, "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." We have long ago quit kneeling and humbling ourselves before the Lord. If you can't kneel, God understands, but you can humble your heart.

There is very little, if any, fasting in most Christians' lives today. We have ignored what the Bible teaches on this subject. Our blessed nation has deteriorated to an unbelievable status. We have taken the name of our Lord Jesus Christ out of public praying in so many places. We have taken His name from being praised to a cuss word. We murder our babies and save our birds and animals. Sports have become the God of so many in our nation. Our televisions, cell phones, iPads, and many other electronics have become a cesspool of pornography and satanic games. Many of our churches once known for peaching the Word of God and having a burden for reaching the lost world are now a social club. Most of our churches are closed on Sunday night and others have changed their service times to accommodate Superbowl Sunday as well as a host of other worldly amusements. Our country used to change the times of amusement to accommodate the services of the House of God.

In the Bible the book of Nehemiah 1:1-6 tells us that when Nehemiah heard of the condition of his country, he wept, mourned, fasted, and prayed before the God of Heaven. He then confessed the sins of his nation and his sins. I am praying that as you take an honest look at the condition of our blessed America, it will cause you to do what Nehemiah did.

Thank you and may our Heavenly Father and our Lord Jesus Christ be glorified as the blessed Holy Spirit maketh intercession for us!

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Dr. Tom Williams Evangelist



WHY STUDY GOD'S WORD?

By Dr. Robert Keeton

As I thought on this, two individuals from the Bible quickly came to mind. The Apostle Paul and David each give us an interesting perspective as to why.

Notice what Paul said to the church at Philippi as he instructed them in the way of God's Word.

Philippians 4:9 Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, do: and the God of peace shall be with you.

The Apostle Paul also instructed individuals (his son in the faith, Timothy) to do the same. I believe that we are just as needful of the same instruction today, and maybe even more so than young Timothy.

2 Timothy 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Paul then declares to the church at Ephesus that it is the Word of God that will cleanse us to make us presentable to Christ.

Ephesians 5:26-27 That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word, 27 That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

Even the Psalmist of Israel, David, that was known as the man after God's own heart, knew that only God through His Word could do for sinners what was needed.

Psalm 51:6-7 Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom. 7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

GOD'S WORD CLEANSES

Psalm 51:10 Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

GOD'S WORD LIGHTS AND LEADS

Psalm 119:105 Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

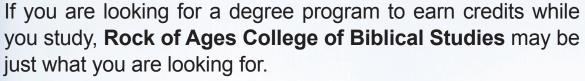
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Psalm 119:130 The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.

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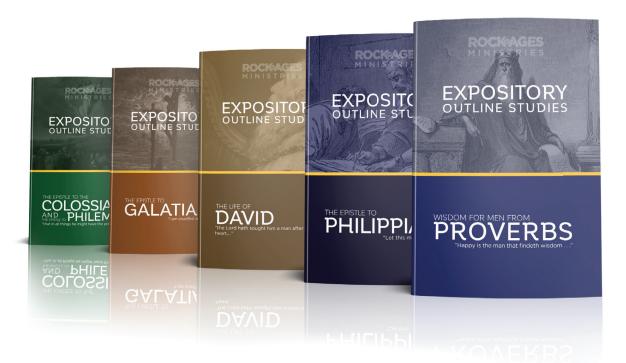
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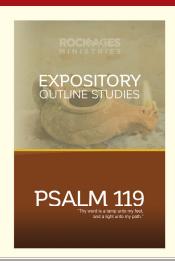


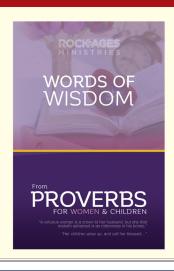
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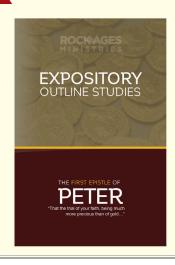
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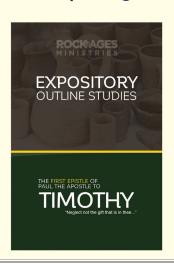
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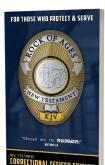
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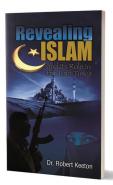
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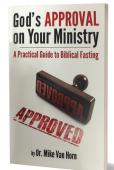
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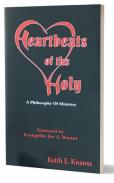


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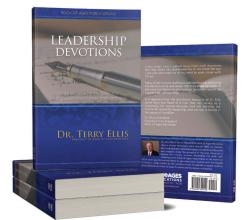


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