

## What About Revivals?

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True revivals are times when masses of people are stirred to faith or deeper commitment because of a powerful move of the Holy Spirit.

### 1. Some Important Revivals are Listed Below:

#### Pietist Revival

A. In Germany – Late 17<sup>th</sup> and early 18<sup>th</sup> centuries (Arndt, Spener, and Franke)

B. In Scandinavia – around 1800  
(Hans Hauge)

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Great Awakening in US and England

1720-1740 (George Whitefield/ Wesleys)

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Great Awakening (Finney) – 1795-1835

**Welsh Revival** – started in 1904 – early 20<sup>th</sup> Century  
(Evan Roberts)

**Azusa Street LA** – early 20<sup>th</sup> century (Bartleman)

**Charismatic Renewal** – early 20<sup>th</sup> century

**Billy Graham** – 1950 to today

## 2. Characteristics of a Genuine Revival

- + Emphasis on personal relationship with Jesus.
- + True repentance
- + Miracles and healings
- + Increase in prayer
- + Fresh love of worship
- + Thirst for Scripture
- + Opposition from religious leaders
- + Interdenominational

The first Christian Revival was Pentecost (Acts 2)

Pray often for revival/renewal in our congregation, our family, our nation, and the world.