

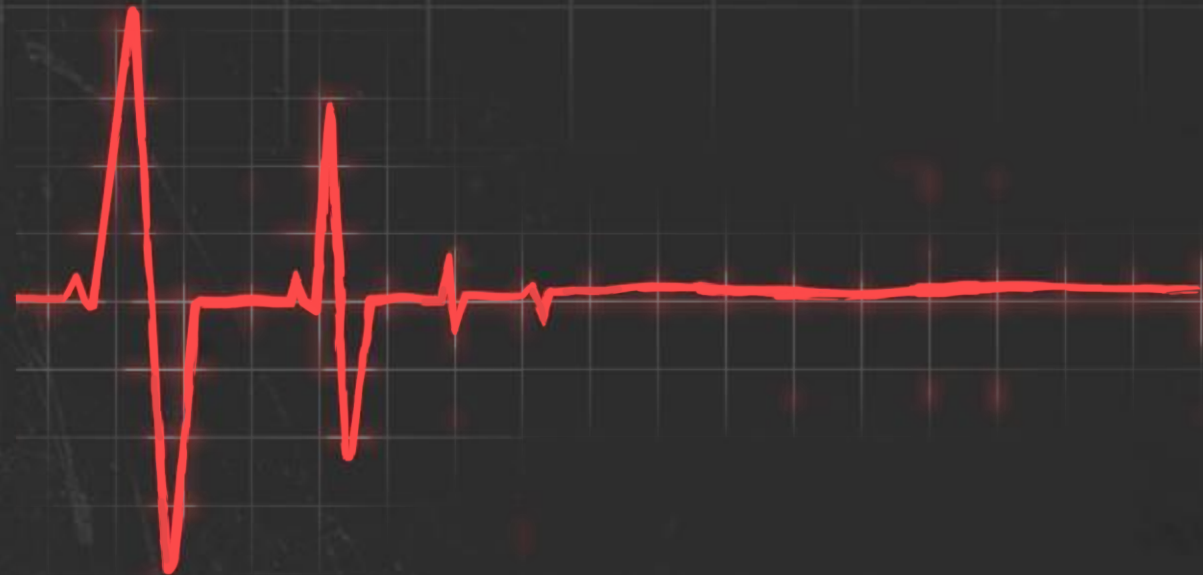


# HEART TO HEART

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# A Song for pilgrims ascending to Jerusalem

## Psalms 126



## A life of pilgrimage

**13 All these people died still believing what God had promised them. They did not receive what was promised, but they saw it all from a distance and welcomed it. They agreed that they were foreigners and nomads here on earth.**

**Hebrews 11:13(NLT)**



## A life of pilgrimage

14 Obviously, people who say such things are looking forward to a country they can call their own. 15 If they had longed for the country they came from, they could have gone back. 16 But they were looking for a better place, a heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them.

Hebrews 11:14-16(NLT)





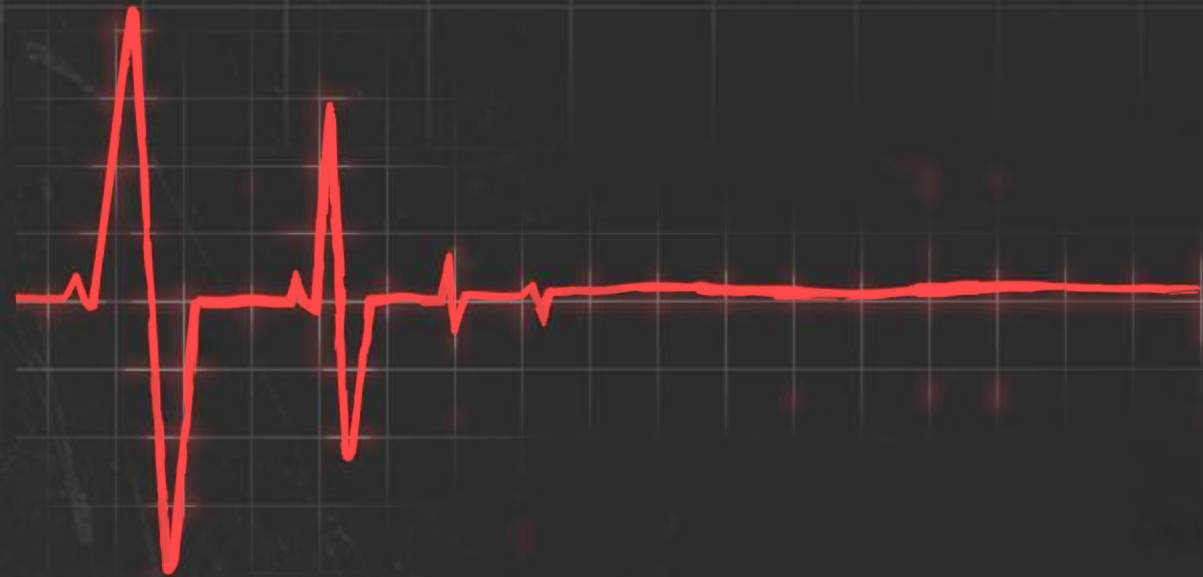
## Authority and identity

3 Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he had come from God and was going back to God, 4 rose from supper. He laid aside his outer garments, and taking a towel, tied it around his waist. 5 Then he poured water into a basin and began to wash the disciple's feet....

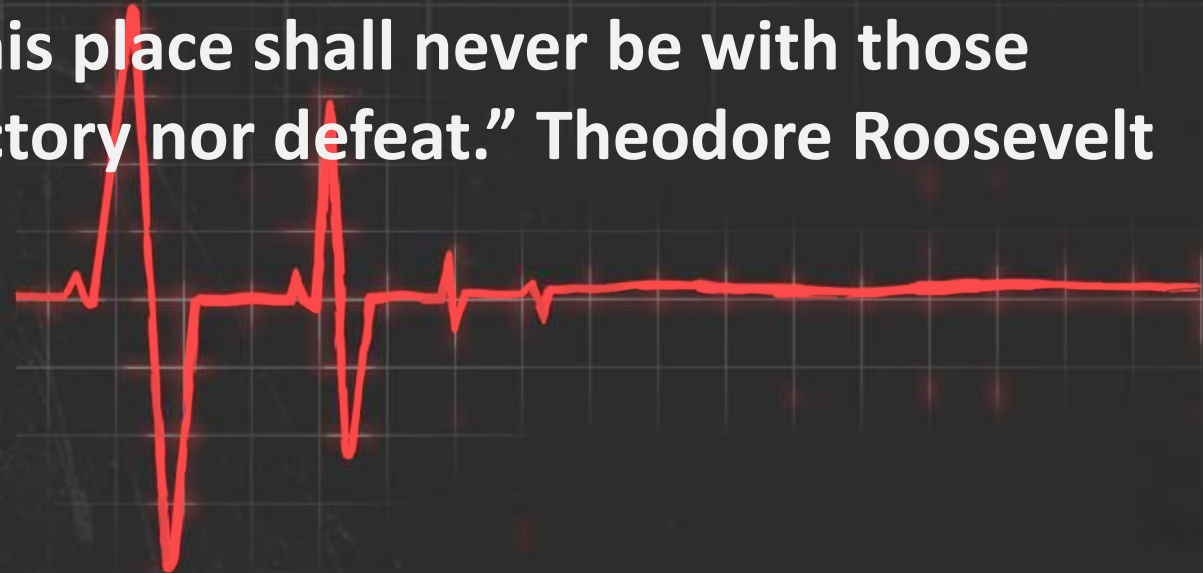
John 13:3-5



**“Out, out, brief candle! Life’s but a walking shadow, a poor player that struts and frets his hour upon the stage and is heard no more. It is a tale told by an idiot, full of sound and fury, signifying nothing.”  
Shakespeare, Macbeth.**

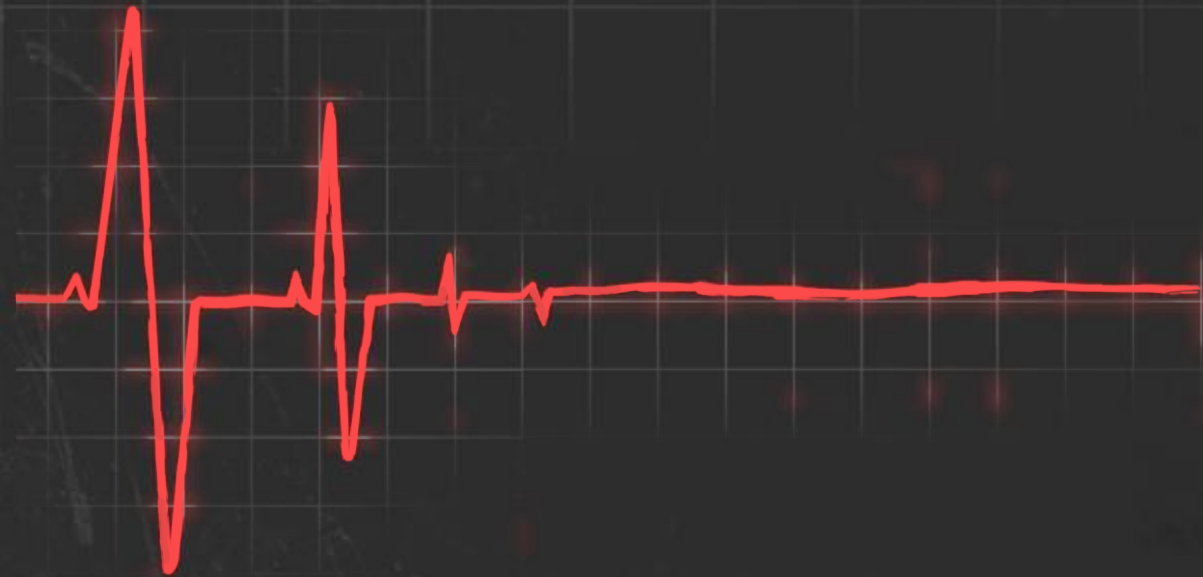


**“It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred in dust and sweat and blood, who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes short again and again because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who neither know victory nor defeat.” Theodore Roosevelt**



1 When the Lord brought back his exiles to Jerusalem, it was like a dream!

Psalm 126:1





# Dreaming big dreams together whilst doing life together

17 In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit upon all people. Your sons and your daughters will prophesy. Your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams.

Acts 2:17 (NLT)



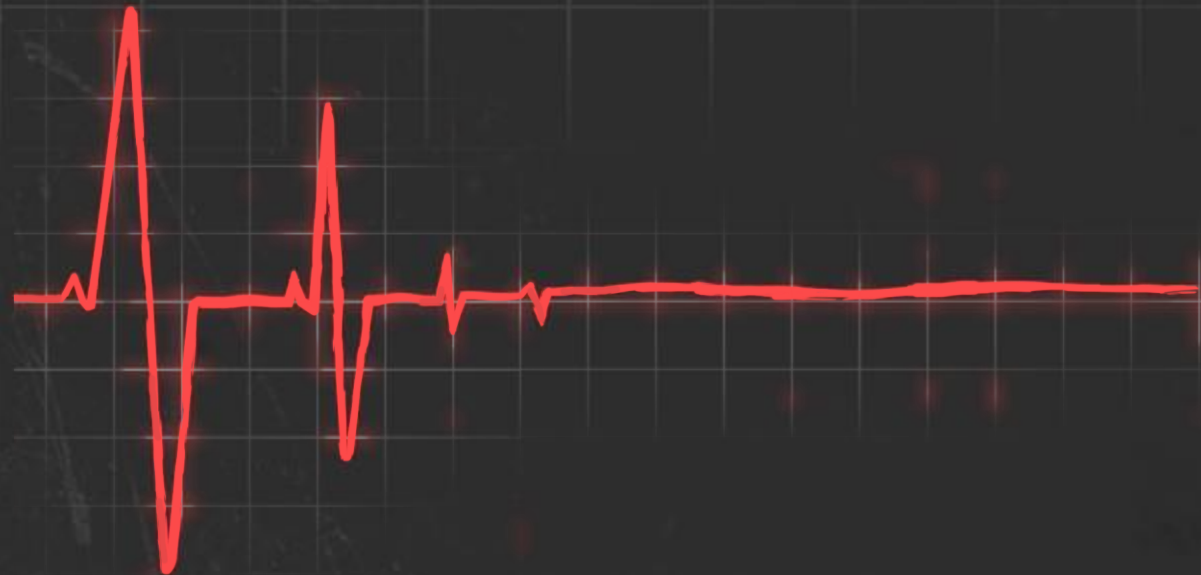
# **Dreams still come true**

He has come to set the captives free...Isaiah 61:1

He hears the cries of His captive people...Exodus 3:9

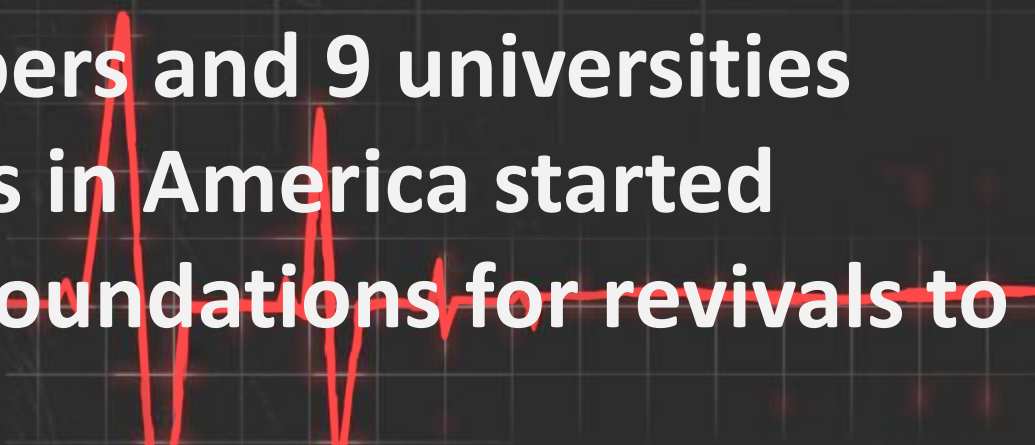
He delivers individuals and nations.

Believe and dream about individual and corporate returning of exiles.



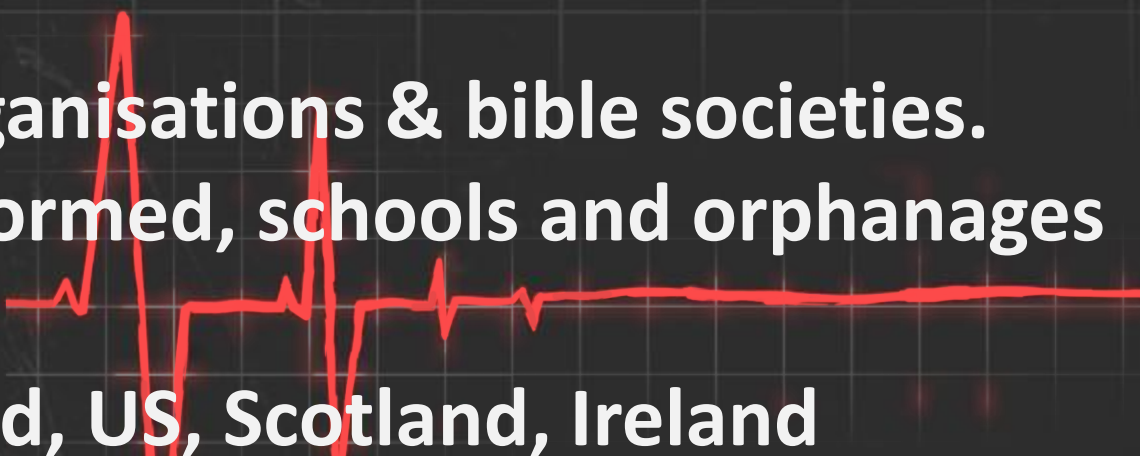
# Dreams still come true

## First Great Awakening 1727-1766

- Started with 24/7 prayer, Herrnhut, Germany
  - 100 years uninterrupted
  - 300 radical missionaries over 65 years
  - Impacted America and England
  - 1740-1742, 30 000 new members and 9 universities
  - Mission work amongst Indians in America started
  - Edwards, Wesley, Whitefield foundations for revivals to come
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# Dreams still come true

## Second Great Awakening, 1791-1822

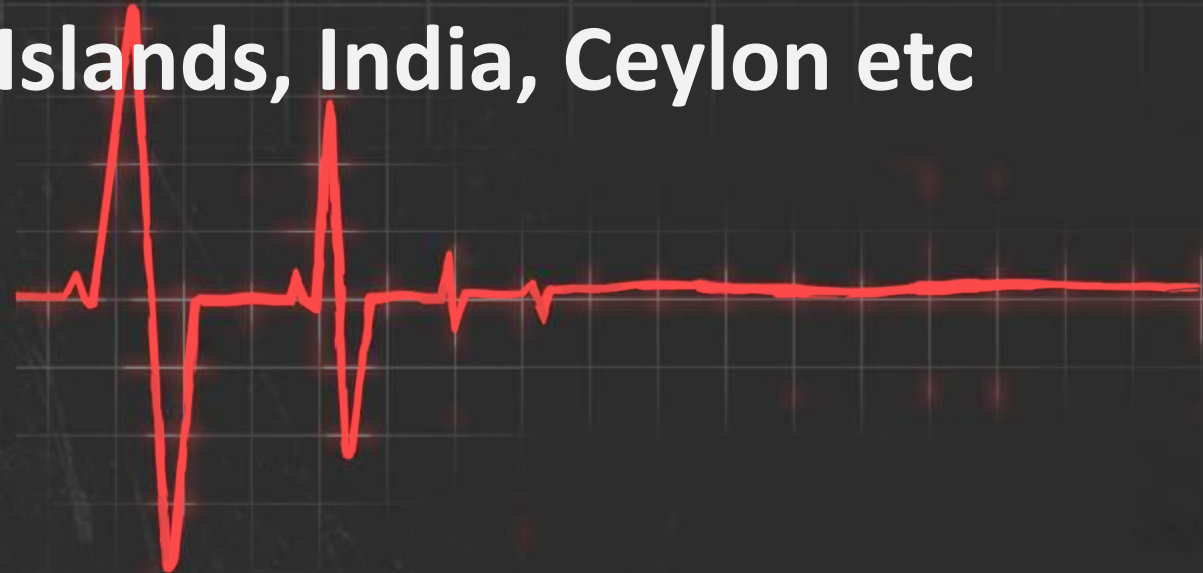
- Began as prayer movement in Britain and US in 1784 every Monday night.
  - Context: American War of Independence, French Revolution, sexual immorality, rationalism, declining church attendance, industrialization.
  - Explosion of world missionary organisations & bible societies.
  - Slave trade abolished, prisons reformed, schools and orphanages started.
  - Scandinavia, Germany, Switzerland, US, Scotland, Ireland
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**Dreams still come true**

## **Third Great Awakening, 1830-1842**

- **Charles Finney - 100 000 souls in one year in US.**
- **George Muller - orphanage work and living by faith.**
- **Doctrine of the church, return of Christ, free will of man, spiritual gifts and apostolic ministries restored.**
- **Reached South Africa, Pacific Islands, India, Ceylon etc**



**Dreams still come true**

## **Third Great Awakening, 1830-1842**

**George Muller:**

- **Cared for 10 024 orphans (first 30 in his own home)**
- **Provided excellent education to orphans**
- **Accused by some of “raising the poor above their natural station in British life”.**
- **Nearby factories and mines lost access to cheap labour.**
- **Established 117 schools for more than 120 000 children.**
- **Never asked for money and never went into debt**

# Third Great Awakening, 1830-1842

George Muller:

*"A brother in the Lord came to me this morning and, after a few minutes of conversation gave me two thousand pounds for furnishing the new Orphan House...Now I am able to meet all the expenses. In all probability I will even have several hundred pounds more than I need. The Lord not only give as much as is absolutely necessary for his work, but he gives abundantly. This blessing filled me with inexplicable delight. He had given me the full answer to my thousands of prayers during the [past] 1,195 days."*

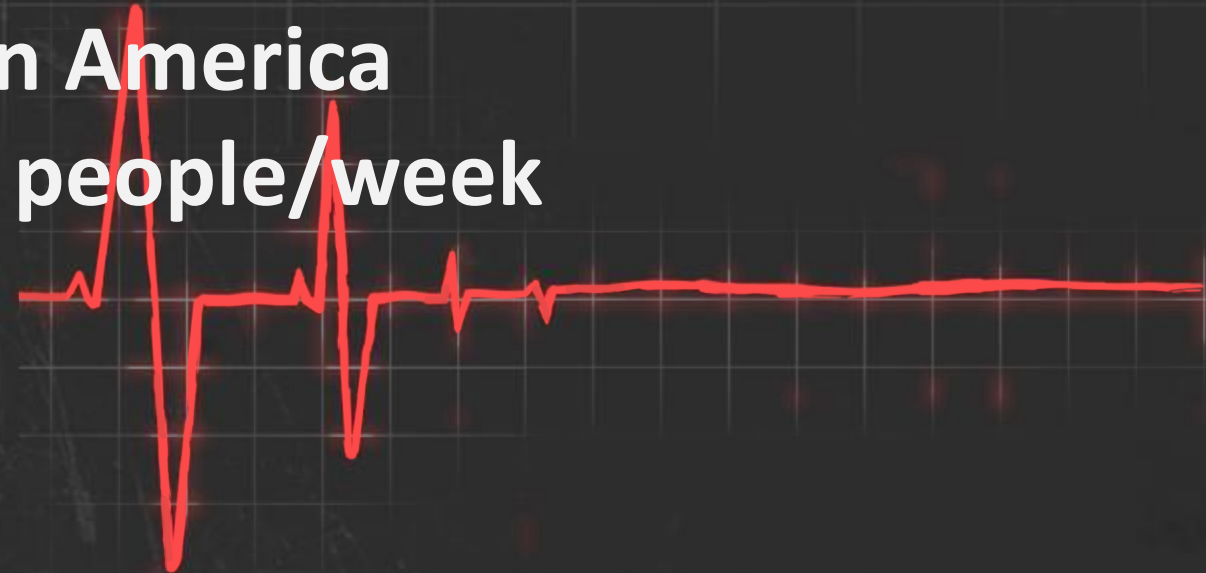
The Autobiography of George Muller, p198



# Dreams still come true

## Fourth Great Awakening, 1857

- Started in Canada, 21 saved, then 25-40 daily.
- September, 1857 Wednesday lunch prayer meeting – daily
- 6 months later 10 000 businessmen across America met daily, repentance and prayer.
- 1,000,000 souls in two years in America
- February to June 1858 50 000 people/week
- UK 1,000,000





# Dreams still come true

## Fourth Great Awakening, 1857

- William and Catherine Booth, Salvation Army
- Charles Spurgeon England
- Lord Shaftesbury next gen, poor and oppressed
- Hudson Taylor China Inland Mission
- David Livingstone in Africa
- Europe, Western Russia, Australia, South Seas, South Africa and India



# Lord Shaftesbury

**“Ashley grew up without any experience of parental love. He saw little of his parents, and when duty or necessity compelled them to take notice of him they were formal and frightening.”**

**“The place [school] was bad, wicked, filthy, and the treatment was starvation and cruelty.”**

**Best, Shaftesbury, p.15**



# A godly housekeeper shapes a destiny

“This difficult childhood was softened by the affection he received from his housekeeper Maria Mills and his sisters. Mills provided for Ashley a model of Christian love that would be the basis for much of his later social activism and philanthropic work...she told him Bible stories, she taught him a prayer.”


By teenage years he had become a committed Christian.

Best, Shaftesbury, p.16



# Captives set free

“No man has in fact ever done more to lessen the extent of human misery or to add to the sum total of human happiness.”

- Reform of the Lunacy Laws
  - Child labour and factory reform
  - Miners
  - Chimney Sweeps (20 year battle)
  - Education reform (Ragged School Union)
  - President of Bible Society and Evangelical Alliance
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# Dreams still come true

## Fifth Great Awakening, 1880

- Dwight L Moody
  - Interdenominational student missionary movement
  - Cambridge 7
  - World Student Christian Federation
  - 4000 – 30000 4 years in Japan
  - Revivals in China, India, South Africa (Andrew Murray)
  - Wales Revival, 100 000 in 6 months
  - Azusa Street Revival daily meetings for 3 years
  - Charismatic and Pentecostal explosion of church growth
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**2 We were filled with laughter and we sang for joy. And the other nations said, “What amazing things the Lord has done for them.” 3 Yes, the Lord has done amazing things for us! What joy! 4 Restore our fortunes, Lord, as streams renew the desert.**

**Psalms 126:2-4**



**5 Those who plant in tears will harvest with shouts of joy. 6 They weep as they go to plant their seed, but they sing as they return with the harvest.**

**Psalms 126:5-6**

