

3 Chapel of the Air Interviews of Leonard Ravenhill

by Leonard Ravenhill

Leonard Ravenhill discusses the state of the church, the importance of revival, and the challenges faced by modern ministers in a media-driven world.

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 7:14, Proverbs 27:17, Ephesians 4:29, 2 Timothy 4:2, Hebrews 10:24-25

Topics: "Spiritual Revival", "Holiness Movement"

Description

This sermon discusses the importance of spiritual revival, emphasizing the need for discipline, depth in understanding, and a return to the profound teachings of earlier generations. It touches on the challenges and potential misuse of religious media, urging for a strong, consistent message rooted in holiness and the majesty of God. The speaker reflects on the state of the church, the impact of radio and television ministries, and the hope for a national revival.

Transcript

This is slide two of the Redpath Reading Workshop, featuring discussions with Dr. Alan Redthal and Leonard Ravenhill, first heard on the show of the interview of Brad Kent. Ladies and gentlemen, you'll hear the first of three interviews with Leonard Ravenhill, author, reader, and senior revivalist. Again, these programs are being presented exactly as they're here to give you the opportunity to hear David Naines' words of introduction.

David Naines, greetings to you, my friend. Through the years, it's been my privilege to interview many guests during these 15-minute get-togethers, but few have been as appreciated by our listeners as Naines to end this visit. Leonard Ravenhill, speak to me, please, for the people of the air.

Leonard Ravenhill is probably best known for his books, including Bible Info, Satisfy, Revival Carries, Revival God's Way, Revival Praying, but he's also appreciated by many of you for his powerful preaching on that same theme. This is the first of three full-length visits with Leonard Ravenhill, during which time we talk with him first about the local church. Next, our second interview is, in fact, about religion he's seen and heard on television and radio.

Leonard Ravenhill on a scale of one to ten, what do you think of the church in North America, a great deal, and tell me why you picked that number. Leonard Ravenhill on a scale of one to ten, I think it's the church

that is, I think, the most important church I've ever seen. Because, I would say, it's a lack of eternity, of the majesty of God.

and I believe that he is after a specific duty, which is to claim and have a paid treat, and this is a tradition he makes up with the crowd that's there. The moral of the story is that the culmination of the trial, which is very, very funny, is a chance for him to get to the bottom of the matter, and he was appointed to Peter in the same night as the meeting. How would you recommend that ministers spend their priority time, either in consulting or in fundraising or in preaching or in preparing sermons? As a matter of fact, I did say that you could really read his studies at home.

I don't believe that there are a dozen people in America who have never seen a liberal and he went out with the closest of socks and sponges of jackets, so to speak, and the likes of us actually don't go out for a month or so. Okay, but what would you recommend that you minister read? There's people in there 1,600 before, but if I'm not mistaken, there's a million people. I just can't recall how many families on the last few years, it's any reason to think that just \$96 would have been spent on church services, but just as it's been in the 60s, it's happened to the rest of the United Nations.

But it's very interesting. It's the most amazing thing that anybody can agree with. I mean, I haven't actually read the course, but I have read some of the accounts that you and I just built out, and then he made this to introduce the capacity to turn up.

If you think what he's able to do today, I don't think he's told Trump what he's able to do in a long way, but he said, I don't think he's going to be fast. He killed it in a 500 feet race. Let me read it again.

Do you see most ministers agree with what you're saying, or do you feel they will resist what you're saying? Well, it's almost as if, you know, it depends on how you use your mind, if you have remorse or something. There's a big difference there, but it's more equality and trusting and learning and respectful that they don't put an answer to it. Well, it really does not put an answer to it.

Do you see what I'm saying? Yes. You see, again, I think it makes you sort of believe what he's saying is reasonable. You need to explain what you mean by that.

Well, it's so shallow. I've talked before, we feel that that's what it is. I'm going to read my two amendments.

In order that we will have certainty in terms of time, there's not a state. Two amendments could have several weeks, because in two weeks time, we're going to try to repeat the same state, so it's not so far as coming to an end. If you do that in two weeks time, there's a lot of people who are not taking a step of certainty in terms of time, and that's why it's so shallow.

There are many things. With respect to the third amendment, there would be no public invitations, and it would be controlled by St. Christ. You can't hear the preachers and teachers and the clergy together.

I'm going to say it, but I'm not going to say anything else. This is it. I'm not going to say it.

I'm not going to say it. They would be afraid of human conducts in their ministry. They would be afraid that they would mess with the soul.

They might lead people into false beliefs of Christ. I'm not going to make that up. That's the issue.

I'm not going to make that up. I say, I'm going to read it, and I'm going to get straight out of it. I'm in shock.

I've just got to say, though, if you told that to this person, he would have stepped up to me. If we are in his house today, he'll have the right to expel me out of his house, or he'll steal his money. But, see, we're just talking about what we want.

If we put all these abuses that we are having to see, the people that we've been doing this for the last 10 years, everybody that they should be complaining about to us, I don't know about you, but we're going to have to end it. How do you think the interview goes around, and it's based on evangelism and all the church? Well, I think we, like most of our students, probably don't, you know, have the right to do it. I think it's absolutely awesome.

We're all psyched around it, because we're all psyched about all of this stuff. I've got two sides of one coin, as far as I'm concerned. Leonard Raven, what standards do you want churches to be judged? Do you want them to be judged by their buildings? Because, certainly, that's a very high success rate in America.

Congregation sizes seem to be high. Budgets are high. So, what would you judge the congregation by? Well, it depends on the focus.

I had a meeting two years ago, and the committee said, Hey, look, let the people choose what's on some church. You see, that's a big difference, but I think, you know, a lot of times I don't trust people to be able to choose what kind of meeting. I don't know.

I'm kind of proud I'm on small business. I'm small business. I hate being on small business.

I don't know. I don't know. I don't like it.

I don't trust it. So, I'm going to choose what kind of church it is now. And the big question is, when am I going to have the success of the congregation? What would be your choice to judge people in a congregation like that? What would you judge? to revive what had already been part of our humanism, communism, misogyny, and de-admiration.

There's only one obstacle to revival, and that's to clean the city of church. We are unburdened, we are unholy. They all want to be on show, too.

The public, the religious spirit, the documents, the men close to you, the people close to you, the doctors, the teachers who are on show, and that's the story of the revival. We don't need to live by the keeps, we don't need to live by the... The issue today is to rely on the trust that is given by nations to the people. And we recognize what is true, and that's what we've decided to do with our big church, and I think that's what we need to do, because that's how we get used to the trust.

It is the city where I was raised, and where I speak. Yeah, your words are well taken. Thank you for visiting, Leonard.

Tomorrow, our discussion will be about schools or seminaries where our ministering people are teaching, but by now, we need this stuff. This visit, I'm going to ask Leonard Raven to describe the kind of ministers we need to be able to impact this present society. And what about our seminaries? Are they producing

these kinds of men and women? Leonard Raven tells us that there is a writer, preacher, and senior rabbinicalist whose heart is still shaking for the Lord.

Take him as we visit for you in the chapel of the air. Dr. Robert Raven. David Beans, great to meet you, my friend.

If you're one of the few who's not familiar with Leonard Raven and his long and effective ministry, then you should be. Here's some of his book titles. Why Revival Terrorists.

America is Too Young to Die. meet for men and revitalize God's life. Yesterday we talked to everybody from the lines about the church.

Now we'll discuss radio and television ministries. And today, right now, we'll get Leonard Ravenhill to look at the schools that train our ministers. Leonard, of all the men under whom you've trained, formal or informal, which one influenced you the most? Well, you're not questioned.

So I feel tragic. I remember being born in Washington, D.C. and the two of us had an opportunity to have a road trip around the city, the care that the church brought us, the love it brought us, everything. And again, it was only on me, in the class, that it all became true.

Which, by the way, was the same as the day that the Christ was ending. I'm certainly impacted. I've given the old people also the same old pastors that I've given to the current members.

Because I feel that the church, at least to me, is the precursor. That there's no specific community. There's no prejudice.

There's no judgment. There's no holy ghost behind it. It was also true for Leonard that on the second great awakening, the influence of that awakening in the early 1800s was on pastors, pastors faithfully preaching the Word of God.

When people talk about pastors, they'll look back at the list up and say, what about the seminaries that we're teaching pastors in Utah, of course? And what are these seminaries here in North America? What subject would you want to teach that course on? That was a great mistake. I had too much money. We never had it.

And what did we come here to eat? What did we learn? We learned that there's a Jewish life out of the midst of the church. And if you've got any time to spare, let me know. This is a powerful voice.

I think we all need one of those repeats. Let me know. Let me know.

When I was in high school and served in the class, you know, the servant of the Father taught us the Bible. And he learned it on every day. And I think that's the change of the army.

But, you know, as he did, you know, One of the interesting things when I read the sermons of Joseph Edwards or a person like Charles Finney, they're very specific as to what needs to change in terms of God's people's lives. They name what the sins are. They talk in terms of holiness.

And they always seem to hold out against the majesty of God, who made us perfection. And love wants to draw us to a higher standard of living. Leonard, do you think it's easier to capture the hearts of young, prospective ministers with revival thoughts or older, more seasoned ministers? Well, I think if they come

with visualization, I mean, they talk about revival.

And that's always kind of a little bit of a mix up. You know what I mean? If you call in somebody, you know, who tells you how it goes, right? I mean, I like to go. And he's got to speak the truth about the holiness.

And it's embarrassed. I was very concerned about the nervous. Even he's getting a little too big to say.

And how much it makes me feel proud that I'm going to be able to serve the same God and receive the great and honest gift of power. And he likes to have that. I know it sounds like a pretty difficult job, but I'm just going to imagine you're speechless, Leonard.

I'm sure it's not. It might not be. But it's good.

I talk a lot about being procedural, but I can understand that. And it's a session. That's what I think.

It's just funny. Yes, that's very much characteristic of who you are. And it's sad.

Yes. It can be verified that prior to earlier awakening, seminary student Dr. Kevin is studying the history of revivals like you mentioned before. Do you see this as something that should be repeated and maybe will be repeated in some of our schools? Yes.

Yes. Yes. I think a lot of preachers, through what you've interviewed me, at least your openness and your directness, you've been talking about how you're treating our attitudes, our studies, and religious programs, and how it's with each other, how you maybe work together.

Well, I'll just let you know about what I've been hearing the other day, that all these great books are not written by dumb people. But if you were a tremendous intellectual scholar, you know, you're maybe in 30,000 or 60,000. You see, there might be two arguments that people hear about these people.

One is they're so good, they don't need to be saved. On the other hand, they're so bad, they shouldn't be saved. I don't think they do.

We've almost implied that they have to have eternity running around in a number of books, and everybody else has to see that. I think it's better to say things in terms of Jesus. Jesus doesn't come into the world to make bad things.

He came into the world to make bad things. I can't write to you from San Diego directly. I have to tell you, it takes two hours to get released.

They're talking a lot about a tragic possibility and I don't think they meant to be talking about the police down where I was found. I don't think it's about eternity, do you understand me? I agree with you. But you're not meant to be eternity conscious, I pray that often.

You're just gonna make more broadcasts. I know that phrase, Lord, in Bible schools, places where the Bible fires quick touchdowns. Absolutely.

Absolutely. But, well, they make you chaotic, you know. I don't avail of all the romantics, but we don't.

I went to one famous college, and I have to admit, teachers were like, except for English, who did everything on Reddit. But the pieces of a college I didn't finish five years later, the pieces moved. Because I didn't finish that four years, the man is still there.

And I think a bunch of men can't even share the house with a quick Friday night. They can't even share the house because they're kind of idiots, because they're concerned that the second I'll kick back, I'm gonna be able to get three sheets of paper and a second to flip the mouse, and a third sheet to flip the mouse, and a third sheet to kick. But I don't love that because I'm Jewish, but that's the way it is.

Oh, for the day when those churches are alive with the fires of the Lord. That's what you're praying for, isn't it? That's what I'm praying for, that's the promise. Yeah, I agree.

That's what I'm praying for, that's the promise. Yes, I agree. I'm praying that this visit will be more than just a time of interesting questions and answers and the Spirit has answered that prayer.

I want to thank you again for your presence now through the whole of this church and this land, as appropriate as soon as convenient. Well, thank you so much. We'll answer it again tomorrow about ministries of radio and television.

Just radio and television. Is it good or bad? What do you think? What do your friends think? My feeling is that it's a mixed bag. I'm David Reins.

But this visit I'm more interested in hearing the views of Leonard Rabin on this topic of religion, radio, and television. Leonard Rabin, you have been my guest our past two visits, and it is once again today in the Chapel of the Air. Hello.

Hi, good friend. Welcome. I'm sure Leonard Rabin is not a stranger to most of you.

Through the years, he's been my guest a number of times here in the Chapel of the Air. But, of course, Leonard Rabin is best known for his many books on the Bible, such as *The Prophet is Too Young to Die*, *Revival of God's Way*, *Meat for Men*, and so on. I'm privileged, I am, to again have him on the Chapel of

the Air phone line.

Leonard Rabin, do you have early memories of preachers using radio or television in a powerful and positive fashion? I have not much data, but the data because the official state is normal, and I respect the BBC's views about everything. This is why I have a critical response to the Empire on Christmas Day and advise you to listen to this if you like people who do not die first. And of course, they make the most innocent and senseless preachers on earth, Leonard Rabin.

When did you first come to the United States preaching? I came to the United States preaching in 2011 when I was in the Indianapolis. By that time, radio had already had quite a long life over here in terms of religious things. Has religious radio or television ever stimulated you in a positive way in your spiritual life? Well, I must admit that I have a little bit of criticism.

I mean, the stuff that's going on in the social world, I mean, I guess it's two spirits together. I say, I think it's about taking care of my own so I can only get out the next Sunday. And you probably want to do it.

I would like to. Yeah. I know from some of your early writings that you saw dangers and possible misuse of religious media and some of the early books you came to like this.

But through the years have these fears proven to have been unfounded and maybe some of them have been true? Well, you know, they say when they use the word miraculous, it does not depend on the religious issue at all. Religious media can be superfluous or even superfluous in the way they use religious media themselves. To me, some of these do.

And the reality is superfluous means. I mean, it is superfluous in the way they use religious media themselves. I mean, it is superfluous in the way they use religious media themselves.

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They all are superfluous in the way they use religious media themselves there. They all are superfluous in the way they use religious media themfor themselves. such as broadcasters.

And when I directed you to accept that invitation, what message might you bring to that group? I'd be the teacher of heaven. Although the people of this restaurant have had a great relationship with me, it's been such a blessing. They've been with me with a jolly, honorable, peaceful voice, and with a gift of co-consistency.

Co-consistency. Yes. You think Barry Maltz is there? Well, yeah.

Do you see the expansion of the radio and television industry as possibly enhancing national revival, or as maybe it will be an expansion in revival? I mean, I'm not sure. I mean, there are some challenges, but I don't think we're ever going to figure it out. Do you think that related to radio and television is going to have a strong influence on the local trade trade with them anymore? Well, again, it depends on the crowd-meet and the patrons.

I mean, some of it is based around the placement of the money, the systematic impeaching, some of it is the misdemeanors he has done. Some of it is, like, the small little chatties that are on the TV screen. But

really, the people that are on TV, as far as they do, they are sort of in charge of their own TV.

But whether that's a crowd-meet, whether it's a crowd-meet, I don't know. But it's there. If any, we're going back to that statement that you made earlier.

You said, if you go back to the crowd, you probably won't be on the crowd anymore. Nick, is a strong, consistent message on who Baptists might preach? And is it supported by a Christian listening and viewing public? I think that's the definition. I think it's a strong message on who's going to be making it.

That's what it's like speaking, doesn't it? Yeah, I think that's the definition. And I was checking out on Saturday. I mean, what I read on Facebook, on Instagram, it's like, oh, my God, you preach.

You don't preach. I mean, there's a strong crowd. There's 5,000.

I don't think we could have any link without any compassion. When people talk online, I'm talking about getting 30,000 that link. And we need to get 7,000, 8,000, 10,000 people.

I don't think we can have all these people on the same platform. We've got to discuss it. We've got to have a nice, typical multi-worlds of human beings.

But we've got to have this kind of empathy and all that stuff. There isn't a hunger, although I have a sense that it's beginning to build among the common folk. I hope I'm right.

But the people who are going to get it are going to make it. There's an awful lot of people who are just out on the side of the side. And the rest of the people, they should leave.

There's no point in that. It's irrelevant. I'm not going to get into the attitudes.

I'm not going to turn it on. And as you see, there are a lot of people in the system. These are people who are trying to get out of the system.

All the great people have been trying to get out of the system. They're coming from the district. Now you've used the phrase turmoil and discipline.

And we have to say, we're wondering whether people are going to respond to us or not. And we need to talk about things like discipline and see individuals coming along and saying, thank you so much. This is exactly what I need to hear.

I'd love to tell those people to get lost. I'd love to hear these people talking about it. But don't you know that this is a useless.

We can't get people to see it because discipline is a mistake, and they've been deceiving. If you're strong on what you're saying, I affirm your words. In fact, come on in.

I think to myself often saying, I have the people coming and representing a marvelous Here is the Kingdom of God, here is the Kingdom Representative, Coach 5, and he's going to share in the very presence of God with you people. He says that in your ministry as well. That's a wonderful, wonderful message, isn't it? It's an awesome message.

I think it can be a part of radio and television as well. You know, it can be. I'm absolutely sure of that.

Okay. Now, what message is it that you would preach if you were to get more opportunity? I know you're aged at this point, and I know you can't read anymore. But if you had more opportunity to preach to God's people, why don't you just say, what would you preach? I think also it's closer to God.

And, you know, the gospel actually changes. That's just what I think. I think that's why.

Don't you think that? I think that I've met many people this way. And I've always asked them that. We're not going to say, well, it's not going to happen.

But maybe I should go to a meeting and put it out there and let you know. I think that's what it is. I think you should be able to do it by 2 a.m. One of your problems like radio is that you get rid of too much.

You can read so much about previous days that when you compare this day, you see the shallowness of it as it relates to earlier generations. Yes, I agree with you, Scott. Because I don't think we're going to see this in today's deep reality.

It's somewhere right behind you. People say, well, I don't think that's going to happen. I think it's going to be very, very late, Scott.

That is why I say it's entertainment. And entertainment is a hell of an entertainment. It's a hell of a service.

It's difficult. I think that is true. Actually, I don't know if you want to correct me at all or not.

Because I don't know if I understand it. I just want to do the best I can for our native citizens. We're going to be talking from January to October.

I think we're going to be talking from October to November. I think we're going to be talking from December to December. I don't think we're going to be able to be here as a group.

I think we're going to be talking from December to December. I think we're going to be talking from January to December. So you've been here 115 years.

Do you see the possibility of the nation turning around? I don't think he doesn't realize that he'll lose a couple of American troops. Sometimes the fingers of the left come out of the back of his head right now. Sometimes the heartbeats in our bodies ring to our knees.

Maybe that's what moving Americans really is. Well, maybe I'm right, yeah. But you know, I don't know.

That brings us to the close of this cassette tape featuring discussions on the subject of spiritual revival within the Red Path and Leonard Ravenbeck. If you have comments on these interviews that you'd like to share with our Chapel of the Air director, David Baynes, please email us and we'd be pleased to receive your note or letter. We also have a number of other books and tape albums on this subject of revival available through the Chapel office.

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