

Suggested Reading on Revival

- Burns, James. *Revivals: Their Laws and Leaders*. 1909; reprint, Lavergne, TN: Kessinger's Legacy Reprints, 2021. A classic treatment that discusses the nature of revival and then gives examples from European church history.
- Bonar, Andrew A. *Memoirs of McCheyne Including His Letters and Messages*. 1844; reprint, Chicago: Moody Press, 1978. See especially "Message XXX: Why Is God a Stranger in the Land?" (387-393) and "Evidence on Revivals" (417-427).
- Dodds, E. R. *Pagan and Christian in an Age of Anxiety: Some Aspects of Religious Experience from Marcus Aurelius to Constantine*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 1965. An unbeliever with some insight about the triumph of the church in the face of persecution during the third century.
- Edwards, Jonathan. *Faithful Narrative of a Surprising Work of God*. 1736; reprint, www.jonathan-edwards.org/Narrative.html. Edwards's account of the 1734-35 revivals at The Church of Christ in Northampton, MA and surrounding areas, which were the first fruits of the First Great Awakening.
- _____. *The Distinguishing Marks of a Work of the Spirit of God*. 1741; reprint, https://www.monergism.com/thethreshold/sdg/edwards/edwards_distinguishingmarks.html. Edwards's defense of the New England revival delivered to the faculty and students of Yale.
- Gaustad, Edwin Scott. *The Great Awakening in New England*. New York: Harper and Brothers, 1957. The classic standard treatment of the First Great Awakening.
- Goen, C. C. *Revivalism & Separatism in New England, 1740-1800: Strict Congregationalists & Separate Baptist in the Great Awakening*. 1987; reprint, Waco, TX: Baylor University Press, 2012. Goen traces Baptist origins to the First Great Awakening and the Strict Congregationalists. Helpful insight in regard to phenomena like the Halfway Covenant from a credo-Baptist perspective.
- Hanegraaff, Hank. *Counterfeit Revival: Looking for God in All the Wrong Places*. Dallas: Word Publishing, 1997. A former insider critiques the Word of Faith movement of Charismaticism exposing it as a counterfeit revival.
- Murray, Ian H. *Revival & Revivalism: The Making and Marring of American Evangelicalism 1750-1858*. Carlisle, PA: The Banner of Truth Trust, 1994. The best treatment of the Second Great Awakening. Murray distinguishes between the God-centered revivals of Nettleton and the man-centered revivalism of Finney's new measures.
- Orr, Edwin J. *The Event of the Century: The 1857-1857 Awakening*. Wheaton, IL: International Awakening Press, 1989. The best treatment of the revival that came after the Fulton Street prayer meetings, sometimes referred to as the Third Great Awakening.
- Porter, Ebenezer. *Letters on Revival*. 1858; reprint, Carlisle, PA: The Banner of Truth Trust, 2004. A first-hand summary of the Second Great Awakening delivered by the President of Andover Seminary in 1832 to his school's revival committee.
- Spurgeon, Charles H. *Spurgeon's Teaching on Revival: The Expansive Commentary Collection*. Reprint, Coppel, TX: n.p., 2021. A compilation of sermons by the prince of preachers on revival.
- Thornbury, John F. *God Sent Revival: The Story of Asahel Nettleton and the Second Great Awakening*. Darlington, Durham, England: Evangelical Press, 1977. A thorough biographical treatment of an important but poorly known leader in the Second Great Awakening, the Whitfield of his day.