

Week 42—All My Desire...

Read

In the mid-1700s David Brainerd was used greatly by the Lord to reach the Indians with the Gospel. At times he would be found praying for them for hours in the snow. He loved them with the love of God.

In his diary he once wrote, "I poured out my soul for all the world, friends, and enemies. My soul was concerned, not so much for the souls as such, but rather for Christ's kingdom, that it might appear in the world, that God might be known to be God, in the whole earth..."

"I cared not where or how I lived, or what hardships I went through, so that I could but gain souls to Christ. While I was asleep I dreamed of these things, and when I awoke the first thing I thought of was this great work. All my desire was for the conversion of the heathen, and all my hope was in God." ¹

Reflect

But if I say, "I will not remember Him or speak anymore in His name," then in my heart it becomes like a burning fire, shut up in my bones; and I am weary of holding it in, and I cannot endure it. (Jeremiah 20:9)

-Jeremiah

Respond

Write your thoughts here:

Prayer Requests for yourself, your students, and others with whom you serve in ministry:

Remember

“Is life’s span so dear and are home comforts so engrossing as to be purchased with my unfaithfulness and dry-eyed prayerlessness? At the final bar of God, shall the perishing millions accuse me of materialism coated with a few Scripture verses? Forbid it, Almighty God! I know not what the course of others may take; but as for me, give me revival in my soul and in my church and in my nation—or give me death!”²

Leonard Ravenhill

¹Sammuel Tippit, *Fire in Your Heart*, (Chicago: Moody Press, 1987), p. 24, 81.

²Leonard Ravenhill, *Why Revival Tarries*, (Minneapolis: Bethany House Publishers, 1990), p. 161.