Ordinary People Extraordinary Things

Bruce Ballast



The North Dutch Church



Jeremiah Lanphier born 1809 1842



"...tall, with a pleasant face, an affectionate manner and indomitable energy and perseverance; a good singer, gifted in prayer and exhortation, a welcome guest to any house, shrewd and endowed with much tact and common sense."

How Often Shall I Pray?

As often as the language or prayer is in my heart; as often as I see my need of help; as often as I feel the power of temptation; as often as I am made sensible to any spiritual declension or feel the aggression of a worldly spirit.

In prayer we leave the business of time for that of eternity, and intercourse with men for intercourse with God.

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March, 1858 10,000 in 20 locations

The Daily Tribune

We understand that arrangements are being made for the establishment of one or two additional meetings in the upper portion of the city; soon the striking of the five bells at 12 o'clock will generally be known as the signal for the "Hour of Prayer".

"I am from Omaha, in Nebraska. On my journey East I have found a continuous prayer meeting all the way. We call it two thousand miles from Omaha to Boston; and here was a prayer meeting about two thousand miles in extent."

Other places:

Pittsburg, fall of 1857

First Sunday in January

Prayer and fasting

Three phases:

1. Prayer meeting attendance

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 million added to church rolls
 International in 1859
 Ireland to England to Europe to India



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- 3. Missionary movement

YMCA

Salvation Army

849 Missionary Societies



Results Social

"The rapid growth of concern with purely social issues such as poverty, working men's rights, the liquor traffic, slum housing, and racial bitterness is the chief feature distinguishing American religion after 1865 from that of the first half of the 19th century."

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Preparation for the Civil War