

Seminary and also with the Professor in Ohio. They were able to make an arrangement that he should be released from the insane asylum on condition he leave the U.S. immediately. So he left immediately and took the boat back to China.

When he got on the way, he took these various diplomas, all except his Ph.D., and tore them up and did away with most of his signs of his success in America ~~and~~ except that one and put on Chinese clothes. When he got to China he began going about presenting the Gospel, organizing groups to do it, giving simple gospel messages. For the next 15 years John Sung travelled all over China, he travelled to every part of the Far East where there were Chinese people. Hundreds of thousands of people heard John Sung preach between 1928 and 1943.

I have met many who were converted through his messages. Many who have themselves established schools and centers for work among Chinese people. He had as great an influence as almost any evangelical work in history. When he died of cancer in 1953, the previous year and a half despite his misery and pain he had been carrying on his messages and leading hundreds, probably thousands to a continuing faith in the Lord. It was a wonder his life was not wrecked with his experience in apostate American institutions.

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What is our attitude/toward these movements? We need to think about it. We need to pray about it, and we need to determine above all to stand true to God no matter what misery, what suffering it may bring to us. Let's pray:

Our Father we thank you for the life of Jonathan Sung and what he was able to accomplish. We thank you for the life of Jonathan Edwards, for the work of Timothy Dwight, for the great influence of Andover Seminary during the years before it was finally taken over and destroyed. We thank you for these many witnesses who have gone before. We face very confused situations in the world today. We face situations in which we must have a strong, clear witness to Christ. A witness carried on graciously, carried on the power of the power of the Spirit, not in the power of the flesh. A situation which if our life ~~is~~ carries, if our Lord carries, our lives can accomplish much for Christ.

We don't know what's ahead, we don't know whether great victories ~~of~~ for the Word of God, or whether there is to come oppression, failure, perhaps persecution as so many indications point to. But O our God whatever comes, we would pray that out of this group here, you would raise up men who would lead many souls to Christ and accomplish much for His purposes. We ask in Jesus' Name, Amen.