

# God's Family Through The Centuries

Daniel 2:44

# Daniel 2:44,45

- 44“And in the days of these kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed; and the kingdom shall not be left to other people; it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand forever. 45“Inasmuch as you saw that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold—the great God has made known to the king what will come to pass after this. The dream is certain, and its interpretation is sure.” - Daniel 2:44,45 NKJV



Jesus Taught:

Mark 9:1 – Some  
Standing Here Will  
Not Taste Death  
Before The Kingdom  
Comes

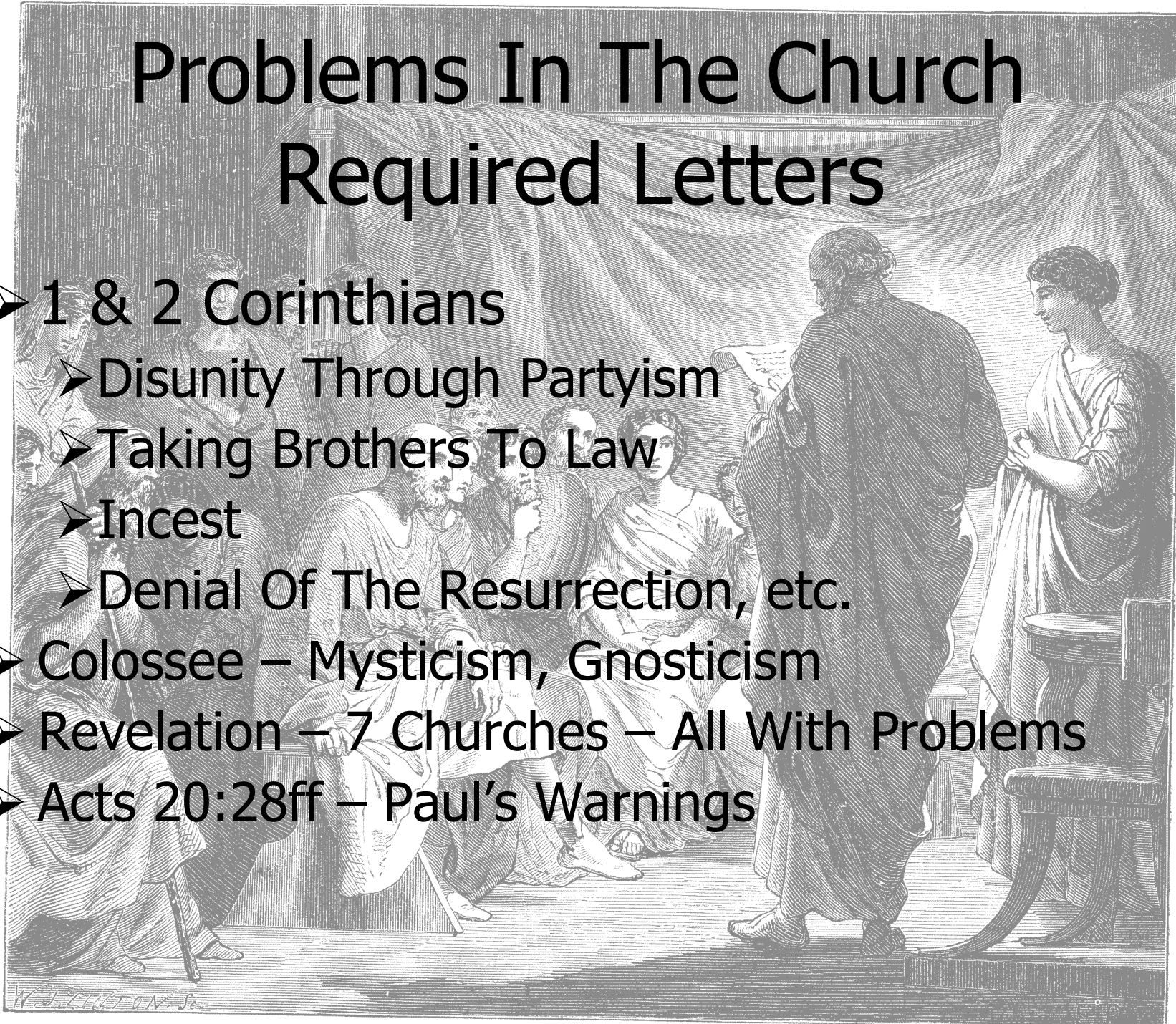
Matthew 16:13-19 –  
“Upon This Rock I  
Will Build My Church  
. . . And I Will Give  
Unto You The Keys  
Of The Kingdom Of  
Heaven”

# On That Day Of Pentecost

- Prophecy Fulfilled
  - vv.16-21 – Joel 2 – God's Great And Notable Day
  - vv. 25-28 – Psalm 16:8-11 – David's Prophecy
- Church Starts – v.38-40
- Kingdom Rule Begins Thru Apostles' Binding Authority, cf. v.42-47 with Matthew 16:18,19

# Problems In The Church Required Letters

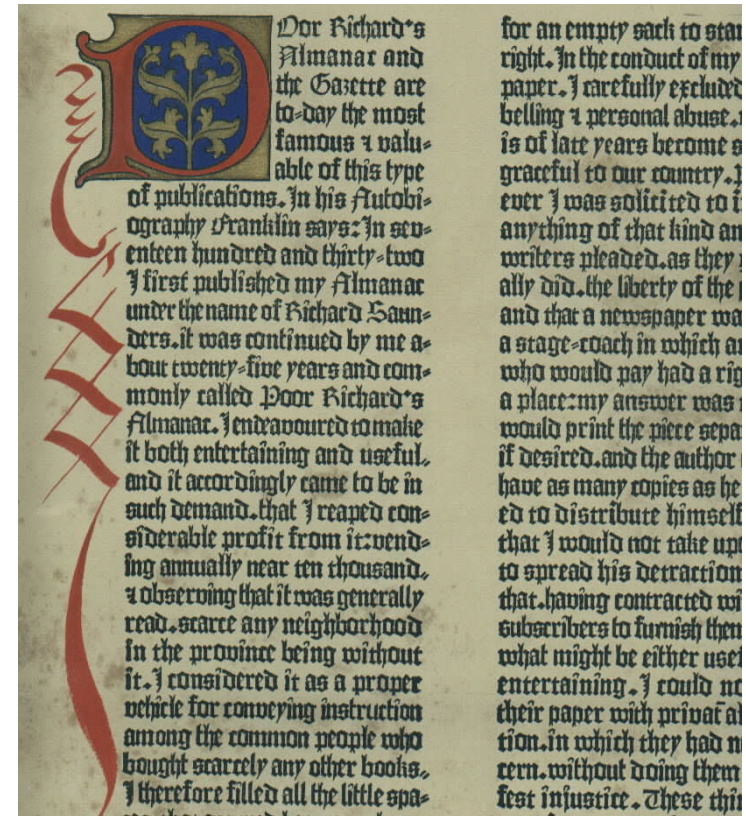
- 1 & 2 Corinthians
  - Disunity Through Partyism
  - Taking Brothers To Law
  - Incest
  - Denial Of The Resurrection, etc.
- Colossee – Mysticism, Gnosticism
- Revelation – 7 Churches – All With Problems
- Acts 20:28ff – Paul's Warnings



# The Johannes Gutenberg Printing Press - 1454



- Arguably History's Greatest Invention
- Produced In Mainz, Germany
- First Produced Book: The Bible



# The Age Of Enlightenment & The Reformation

- John Wycliffe – English Reformer (1329-1384)
- Jan Hus – 1373-1415 — Prague, Czechoslovakia
- Martin Luther – 1483-1546 - Germany
- Girolamo Savonarola —1452-1498, Florence, Italy
- William Tyndale — 1494-1536 English Reformer
- Ulrich Zwingli – (1484-1531) — Geneva, Switzerland
- John Calvin – 1509-1564 — Another Swiss Reformer



# John Knox

1505-1572



# George Wishart

1513-1546





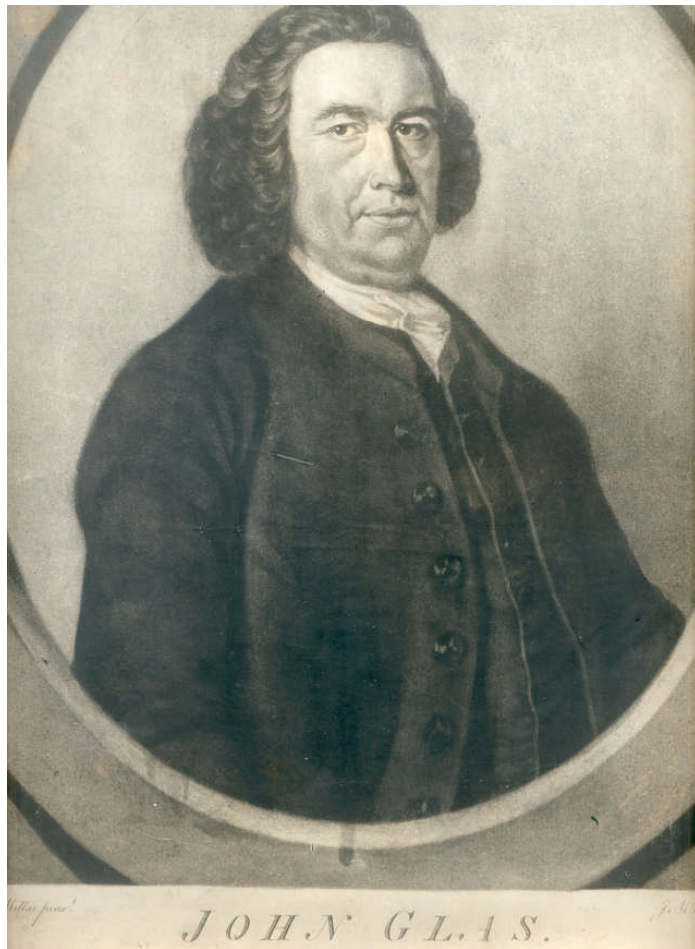


# Death of George Wishart

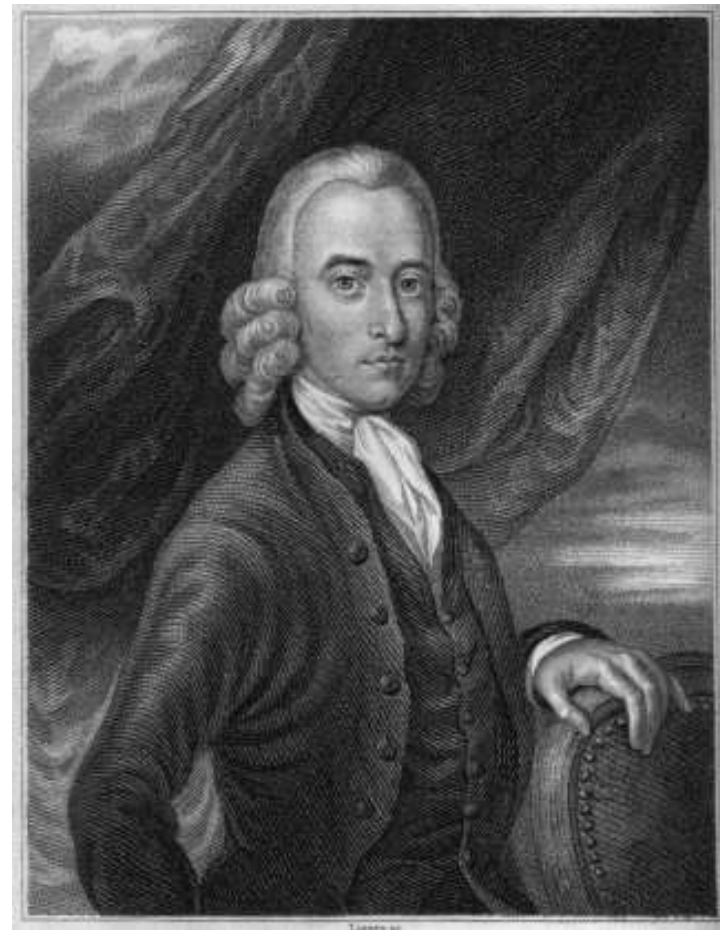
- Burned At  
This Place  
By Cardinal  
Beaton  
March 1,  
1546

# Fathers Of Congregationalism

John  
Glas  
1695-1773

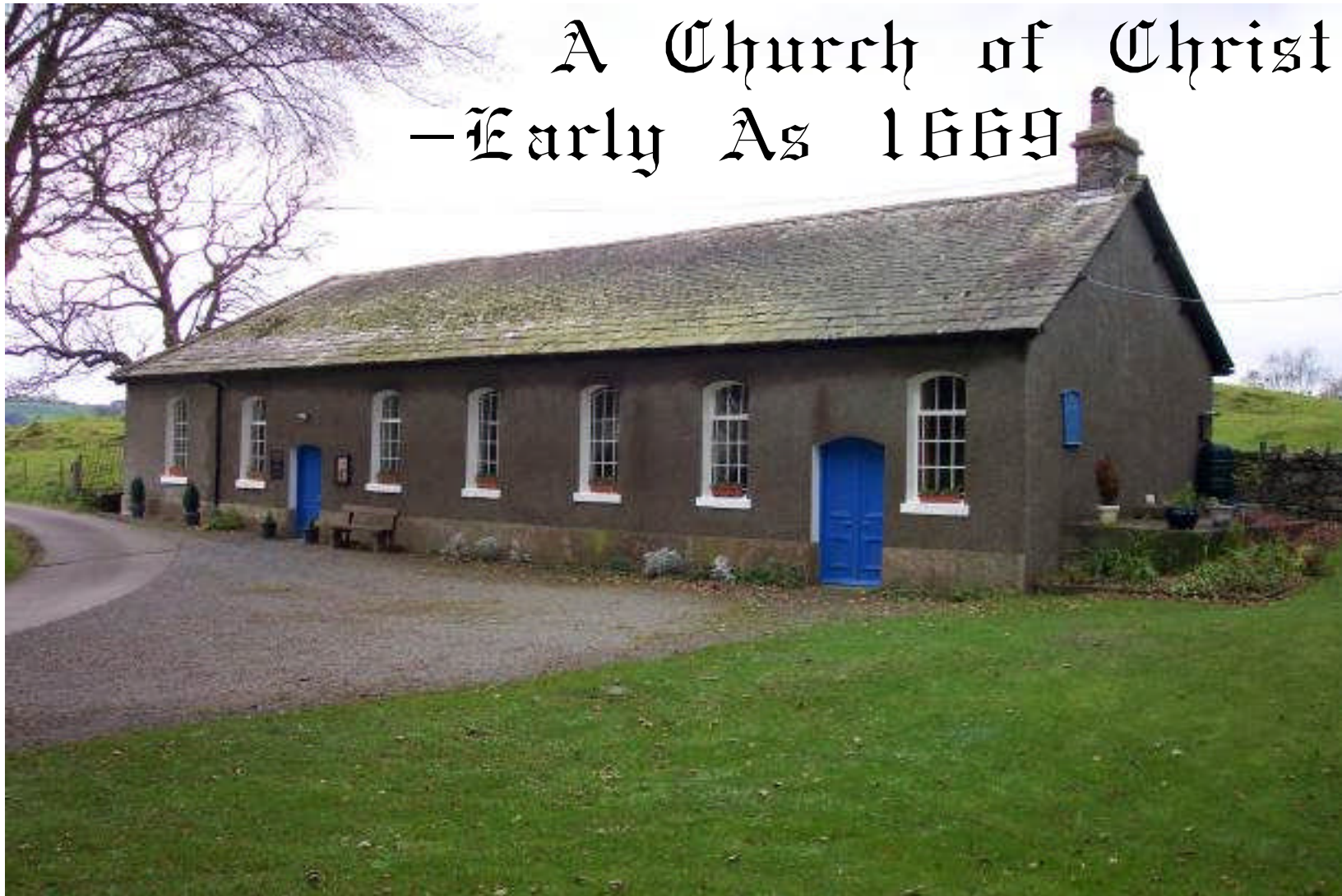


Robert  
Sandeman  
1718-1771



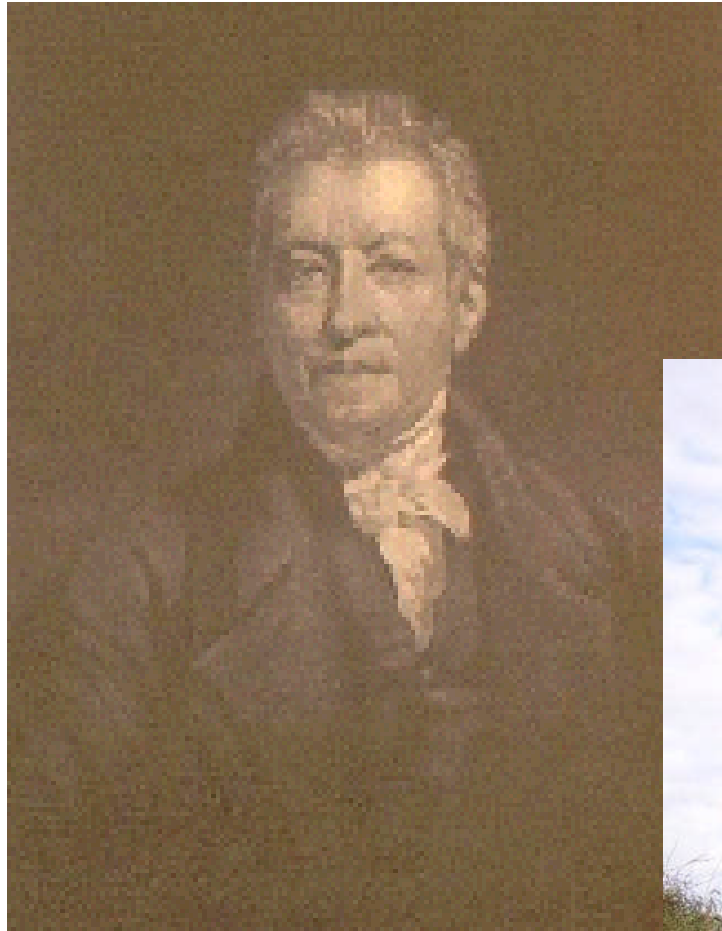
# Tottlebank Church

A Church of Christ  
—Early As 1669



# Robert & James Haldane

- Baptist Ministers Who Brought About Reform In The British Isles



James Haldane  
1768-1851



# Kirkby Church of Christ

- By 1824 a church after the ancient order was serving the Lord at Kirkby.
- It was 30 years before any hear of Barton W. Stone or Alexander Campbell

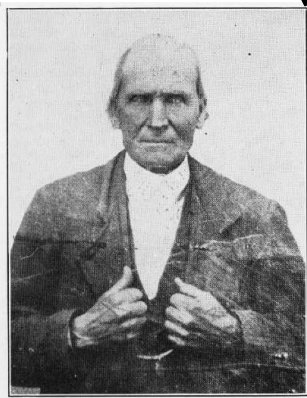
# Movements Independent Of Stone & Campbell Part II

Old Philadelphia  
Warren Cty. TN

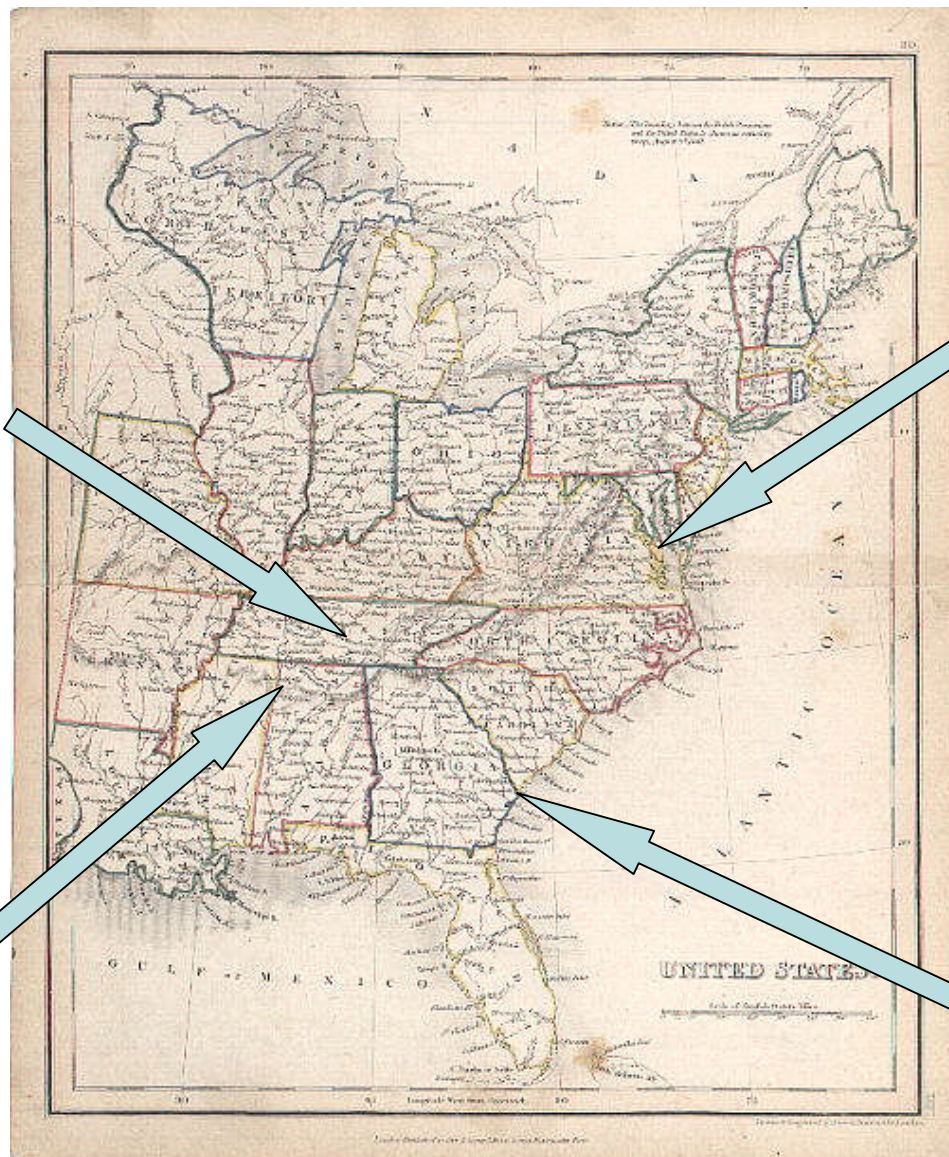


1805

John Taylor



1807-1895



Dr. Chester Bullard



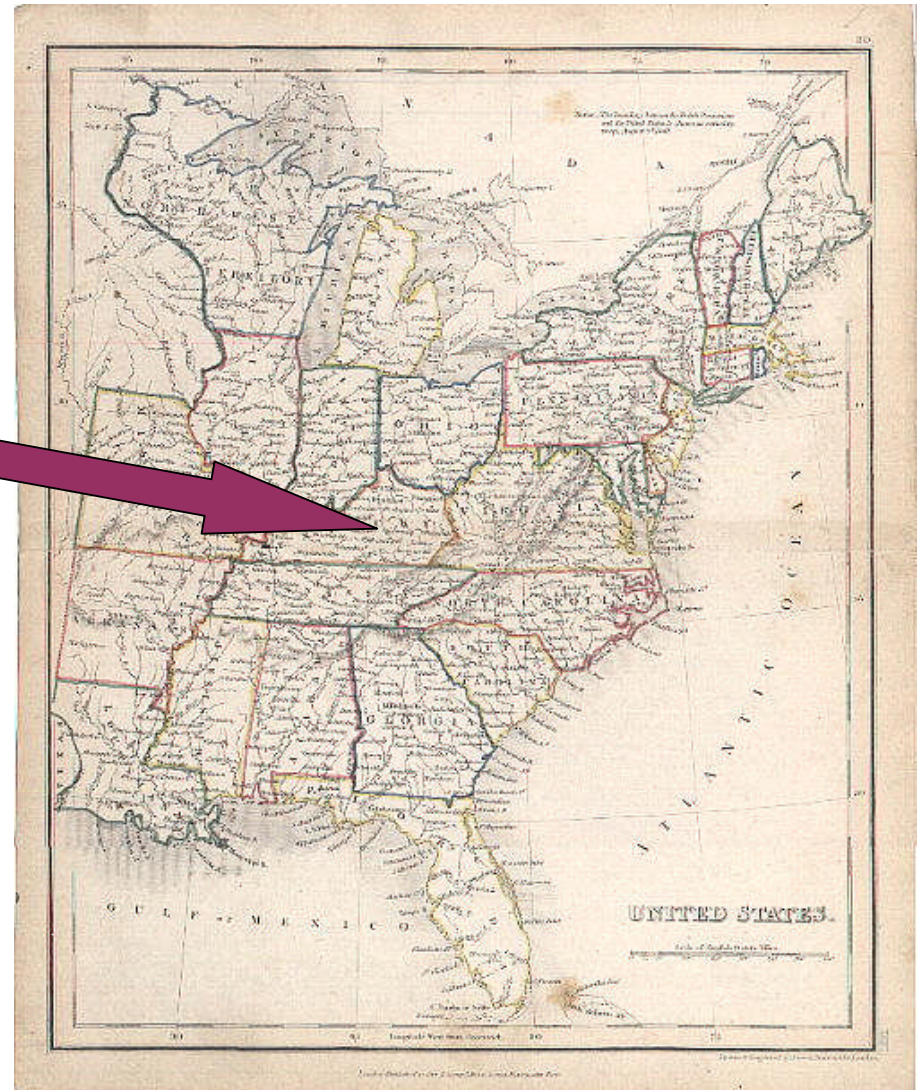
1809-1893

Christian H. Dasher



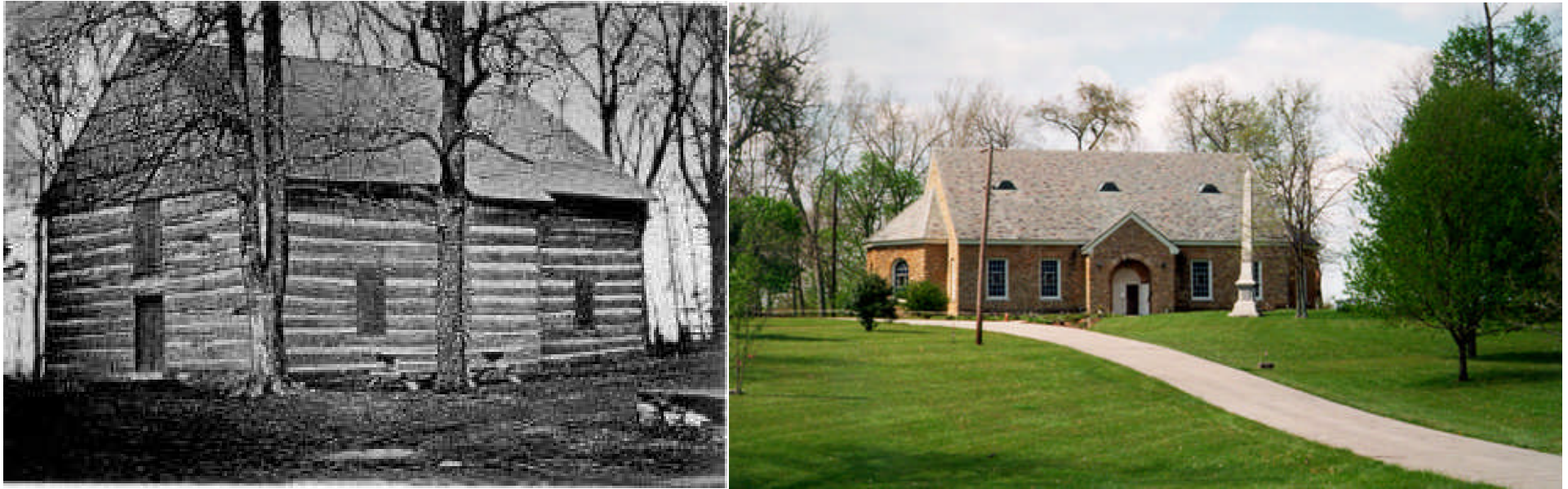
1789-1866

# The Work And Influence Of Barton W. Stone



# Cane Ridge Revival

August 14-19, 1801

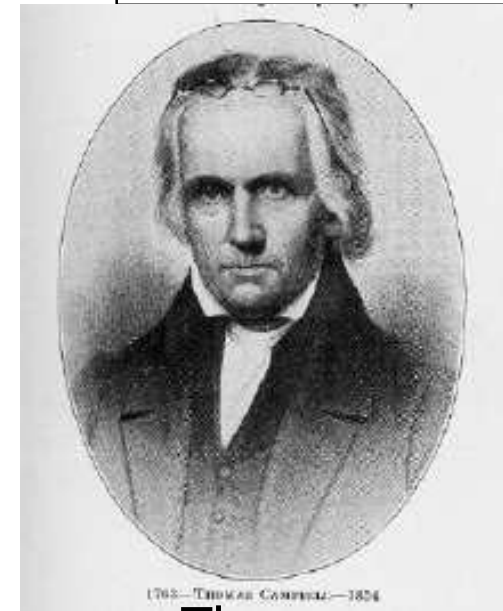


- Area Settled In The Mid 1700s By Daniel Boone And Group From North Carolina
- 1791 – Built Largest One–Room Log Cabin In America
- Between 15 & 25,000 People Gathered From All Denominations
- Many Got Religion, Repented Of Sin And Confessed The Lord
- Different Preachers Would Get Up On The Back Of Wagons And Speak To Groups In Their Area
- People Left When Food Ran Out At The End Of Six Days

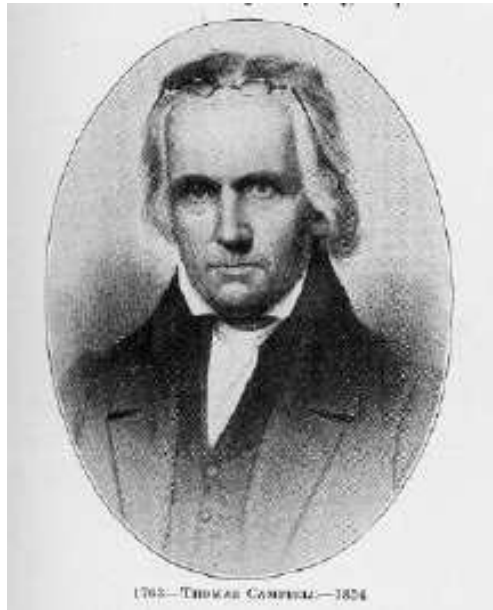


# The Influence Of Thomas & Alexander Campbell

1809, Thomas & Alexander Campbell, Bethany, Virginia



Thomas  
Campbell  
1763 - 1854



# Thomas Campbell 1763 - 1854

The Presbyterian Church in Ahorey, Northern Ireland where Thomas Campbell preached before moving to the United States. The bell tower is not original.

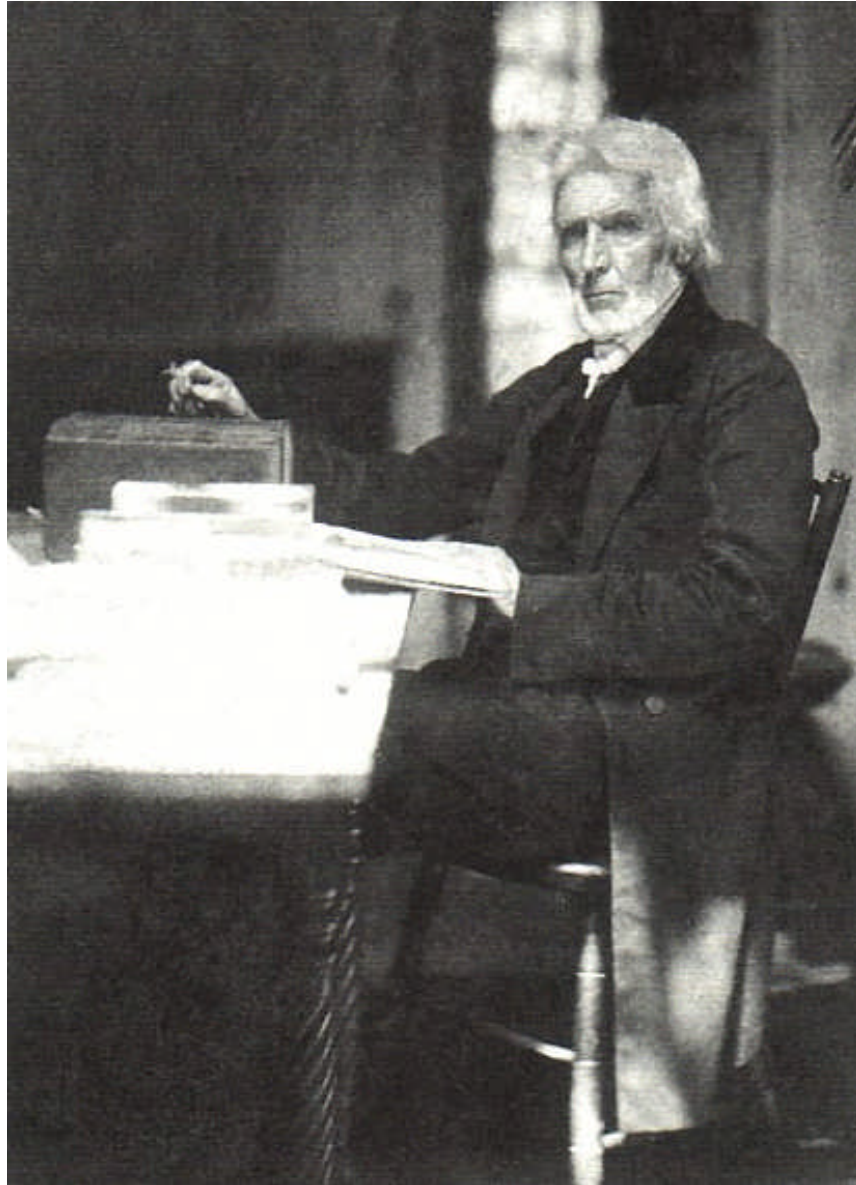


Thomas Campbell born February 1, 1763 in Newry, County Down, Ireland. Arrived here May 13, 1807. A Presbyterian preacher who through study of the Bible saw the need to preach it and live wholly under its authority. Now buried at God's Acre, Bethany, West Virginia next to his son, Alexander.

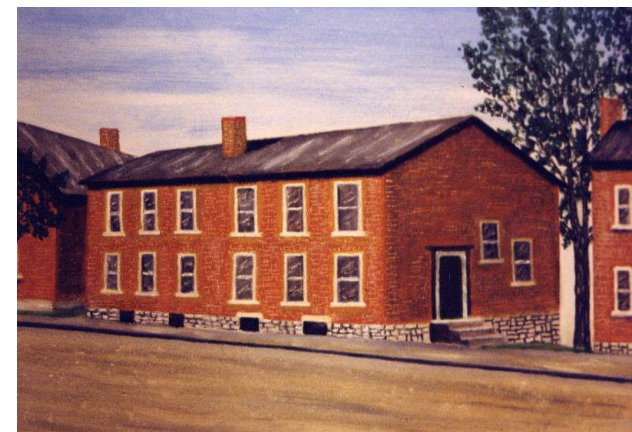
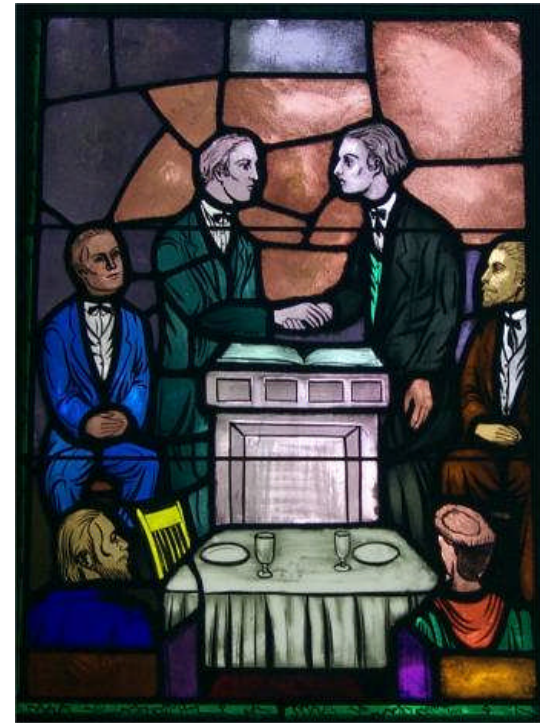


# Alexander Campbell

1788-1866



1831 Union Of The Reformers (Disciples of Christ) and Christians Under The Leadership of Barton W. Stone in Kentucky. This United Body Had 10,000 Members In The State.

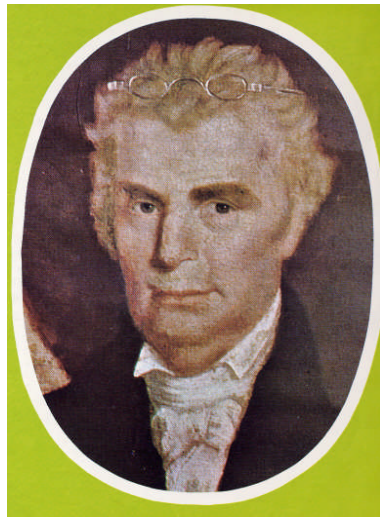
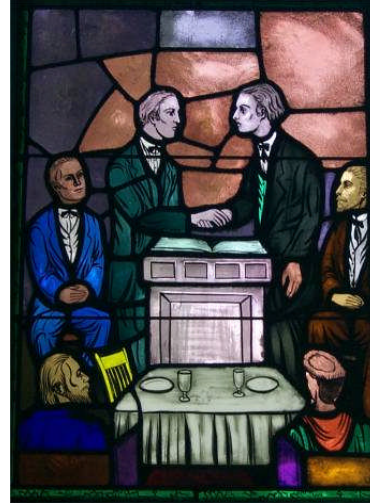


Hill Street Church  
Lexington, KY

# Coming Together Of A Movement



Hill Street Church,  
Lexington, Kentucky

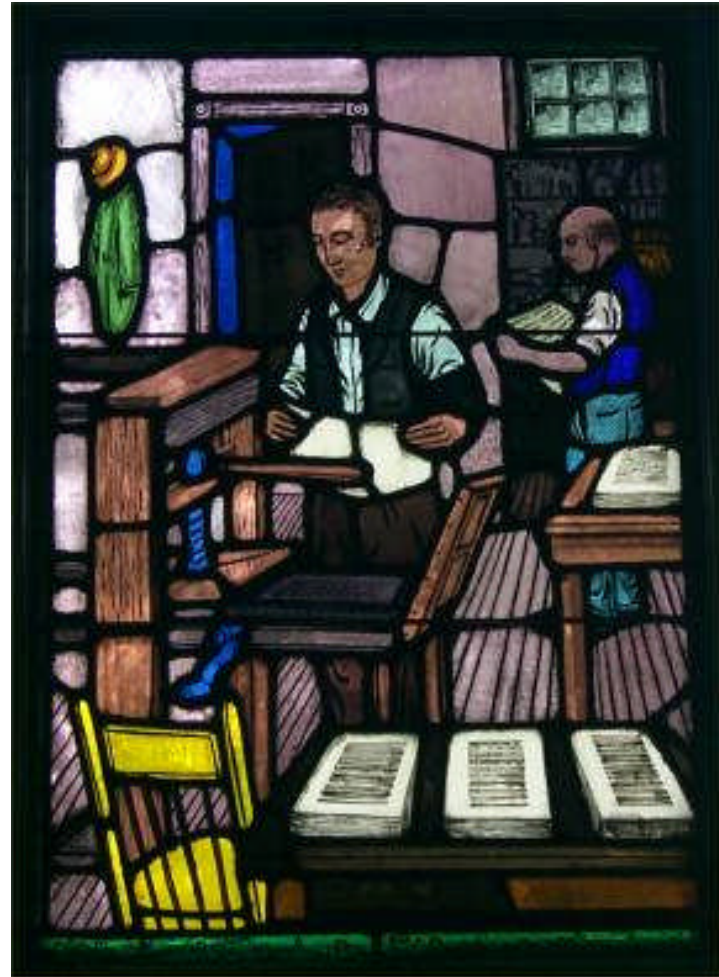


"Raccoon"  
John Smith

- Meeting Of Stone's Christians & Campbell's Disciples At Hill Street Church In Lexington, Last Week In 1831
- January 1, 1832 Joined Forces With A. Campbell's Disciples Movement
- "Let us, then my brethren, be no longer Campbellites or Stoneites, New Lights or Old Lights, or any other kind of lights, but let us come to the Bible, and to the Bible alone, as the only book in the world that can give us all the light we need." — John Smith

# The Printing Press Contributed To Union

B.W. Stone's  
1826 *Christian Messenger*  
A. Campbell's  
1830 *Millennial Harbinger*  
Distributed The Message Of  
Union Among Christians,  
Later Others Like  
1884 *Firm Foundation* &  
1855 *Gospel Advocate*  
Continued The Unity Call



# Christian Education

- 1834 – Bacon College, Georgetown, Kentucky
- 1840 – Bethany College, Virginia
- 1843 – Franklin College, Tennessee
- 1869 Henderson, Tennessee, Henderson Male & Female Institute Begins, Root School Out Of Which Would Later Come Freed-Hardeman University
- 1891 – Nashville Bible School Begins, Later Lipscomb University

# 1860 — The Incident At Midway, Kentucky



Adam Hibler  
Grave



L.L. Pinkerton  
Grave





# Other Things Contributing To Division

- American Christian Missionary Society – 1849
- The Civil War – 1861-1865
- 1866 Christian Standard Begins With Isaac Errett As Editor – Devoted To A More Progressive Approach To Christianity

# Splintering Continues In The 20<sup>th</sup> Century

- March, 1917 Major Controversy In The College Of The Bible Exists Over The Subject Of Higher Criticism, Leading To A Major Split Among Christians, Enter: The Disciples Of Christ
- 1920s Controversies With R.H. Boll Over Premillennialism
- 1930s & 40s Relative Quietness Due To Economic Depression & War
- 1950s To 1970s Battles Over Support Of Institutions/Sunday School/Located Preachers/Christian Colleges/etc.
- 1980 To Today – The Change Movement – New Hermeneutics/Worship Styles etc.