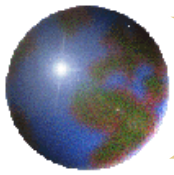


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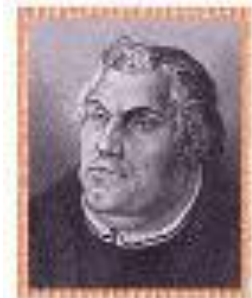
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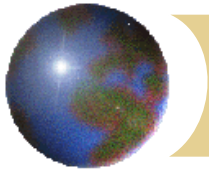
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Luther – early 1500's

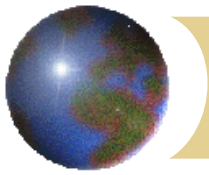


Martin Luther



Luther

- ✚ German monk on a personal spiritual search: On what basis are my sins forgiven?
- ✚ Critical role of trip to Rome and his study of Paul's letter to the Romans
 - ▣ "The just shall live by faith"



Luther

October 31, 1517 – Posting of 95 theses

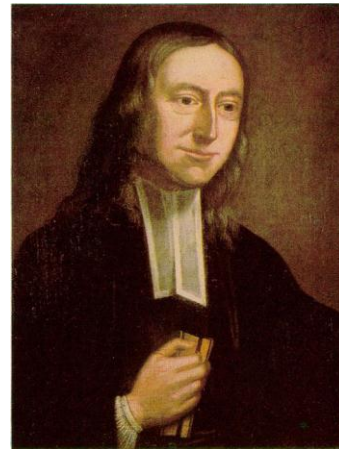
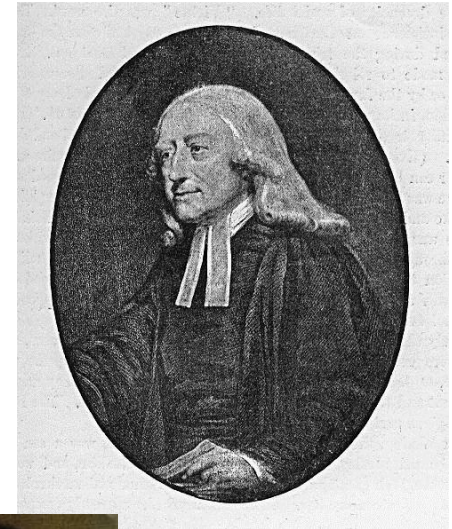
- ❑ Is it grace or is it my works?
- ❑ Where does authority for beliefs reside, in Scripture or in church leadership?
- ❑ Priesthood of all believers
- ❑ Authority of bishop of Rome
- ⊕ Result of ministry: Protestant Reformation



Wesley – middle 1700's



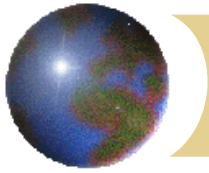
John Wesley





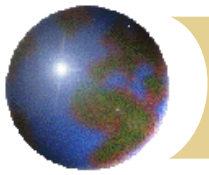
Wesley

- ❖ Personal spiritual search: How do I achieve the holiness or righteousness asked of me by scripture?
 - ❖ Missionary to Georgia / Encounter with the Moravians
- ❖ May 24, 1737 “I felt my heart strangely warmed”
 - ❖ Reading of Luther’s preface to Romans

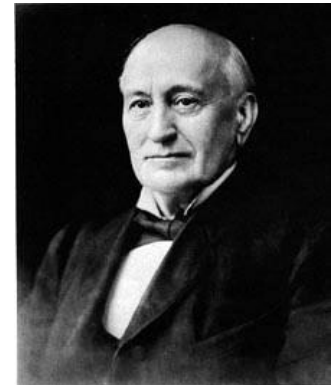


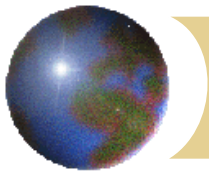
Wesley

- ✦ Wesleyan revival
 - ▣ Marriage of two themes
 - Grace / faith from Protestant Reformation
 - Holiness from Roman Catholic tradition
 - ▣ “There is no holiness apart from social holiness”
- ✦ Result of ministry: Methodist movement



Phineas F. Bresee, late 1800's





Bresee

- ✦ Captivated by Wesley's marriage of the twin themes of grace/faith and holiness
- ✦ Passion for the poor of Los Angeles
- ✦ Union in 1908 with like-minded groups in South and East
- ✦ End result of ministry: Church of the Nazarene