

THE SPIRITUAL CONDITION OF THE THIRTEEN COLONIES

COLONY	DATE SETTLED	SETTLERS	MAIN REASON FOR COMING	RELIGIOUS ORIENTATION
VIRGINIA	1607	English	Economic gain	Anglican
MASSACHUSETTS	1620	Pilgrims Puritans	Religious Freedom Establish Theocracy	Separatists Congregationalist
NEW HAMPSHIRE	1623	Puritans	Expansion of Massachusetts Bay	Congregationalist
NEW YORK	1624	Dutch	Economic gain	Dutch Reformed
MARYLAND	1634	English	Refuge for Roman Catholics	Roman Catholic and other
CONNECTICUT	1634	Puritans	Expansion of Massachusetts Bay	Congregationalist
RHODE ISLAND	1636	English	Fleeing Massachusetts Bay	Congregationalist
NEW JERSEY	1638	Swedish Dutch English	Economic gain Expansion from New York Religious Freedom	Lutheran Dutch Reformed Quaker
DELAWARE	1638	Swedish Dutch English	Economic gain Economic gain Economic gain	Lutheran Dutch Reformed Anglican
NORTH CAROLINA	1653	English	Economic gain	Anglican
SOUTH CAROLINA	1670	English French	Economic gain Religious freedom	Anglican Huguenots
PENNSYLVANIA	1681	English German German	Religious freedom Fleeing 30 Year's War - religious freedom Religious Freedom	Quaker Lutheran Mennonite, Brethren, Amish, Moravian, Schwenkfelder
GEORGIA	1732	English German	Relief for those in debtor's prison Religious freedom	Anglican Moravian

COMMENTS ON THE CHART OF THE SPIRITUAL CONDITION OF THE THIRTEEN COLONIES:

1. Chart by Robert C. Walton, *Chronological and Background Charts of Church History*
2. Religious freedom - Pilgrims, Quakers, Huguenots, Mennonite, Brethren, Amish, Schwenkfelder and Moravians
 1. Anabaptists - Conrad Grebel, Felix Manz, Georg Blaurock, Ludwig Hatzer, Balthasar Hubmaier - Zurich, Switzerland
 2. Hutterites - Jacob Hunter - Moravia, later Dakotas and Western Canada
 3. Schwenkfelders - Caspar Schwenkfeld, Von Ossig - Germany, later Pennsylvania
 4. Mennonites - Menno Simons - Netherlands, later Pennsylvania
 5. Amish - Jacob Ammann - Switzerland, later Pennsylvania
 6. Distinctives (1) Repudiated church-state ties, (2) Church considered voluntary association of committed believers, (3) Repudiated infant baptism, (4) practiced strict church discipline, (5) were Pacifists, (6) some practiced community of goods, (7) had religious tolerance for all, (8) maintained simplicity of dress and lifestyle, (9) some followed Michael Sattler's Schleithem Confession and some had mystical tendencies.
3. Puritans fled England for religious freedom and then had to flee Massachusetts for the same reason - they fled to Rhode Island.
4. The English Puritans: Thomas Cartwright, Henry Jacob, Oliver Cromwell, Thomas Goodwin, John Milton, Richard Baxter, John Owen, John Bunyan, John Flavel, John Howe, Joseph Alleine, Matthew Henry, etc.
5. The American Puritans: John Cotton, Thomas Hooker, Richard Mather, Roger Williams, Thomas Shepard, Increase Mather, Solomon Stoddard, Cotton Mather
6. Congregationalists - Puritans - in many cases repeated the same problems as the Church of England
7. James Francis Cooke - a Pilgrim - came over on the Mayflower with son John. Their mother, Hester Mahieu, was a Walloon - a French Huguenot.
8. John Cooke, last surviving male passenger of the Mayflower, excommunicated from the Plymouth church because of his Baptist views - formed the 1st Baptist Church in Dartmouth in 1684 (Roger Williams - 1st Baptist in 1638)
9. The Baptists came out of the Anglican Pilgrim/Separatist movement - they will be severely persecuted in America for their beliefs - especially believer's baptism by immersion.
10. The Anabaptist movement different than the separatist Baptist movement
11. What was the 30 Year's War? (1618-1648) It was a religious war fought in Germany between Roman Catholics and Protestants. 450,000 died in combat. Disease and famine resulted in about 20% of Europe perishing (4.5 to 8 million)

Joel Hawes, minister of the First Congregational church of Hartford, Connecticut, wrote in 1832, "The church of which I am pastor, like most of the early churches of New England, was planted in the spirit of revivals . . . Revivals of religion have always been held in high estimation by the church."

BIBLICAL TEACHING ON REVIVAL

“I do not desire, I do not advise a bustling, artificial effort to get up a revival, nor the construction of any man-devised machinery . . . I want God’s work, not man’s . . . I want no revivalist preacher.” John Angell James - 1861 in London, Discourses Addressed to the Churches

“I would affirm that much of the modern approach to evangelism, with its techniques and methods, is unnecessary if we really believe in the doctrine of the Holy Spirit and His application of God’s message . . . Should we not concentrate more, as the church has done through the centuries, upon praying for, and laying the basis of Christian instruction for, revival as it is described in the Bible.” D. M. Lloyd-Jones - 1989

In American church history, “seasons of revival” became “revival meetings.” A system to secure a revival was popularized by “revivalists,” which came near to guaranteeing results. Methods were developed to create the external signs of conviction, repentance and rebirth. There is a difference between the meaning of revival and revivalism.

Revival is explained by the sovereign pleasure of God.

We are convinced that God is always faithful to His Word, that Christ is risen and that the Holy Spirit has been given to ensure the advancement of His kingdom.

DEVOTIONAL ON REVIVAL - PSALM 42

42:title To the chief Musician, Maschil, for the sons of Korah.

- 1 As the hart panteth after the water brooks,
So panteth my soul after thee, O God.
- 2 My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God:
When shall I come and appear before God?
- 3 My tears have been my meat day and night,
While they continually say unto me, Where is thy God?
- 4 When I remember these things, I pour out my soul in me:
For I had gone with the multitude, I went with them to the house of God,
With the voice of joy and praise, with a multitude that kept holyday.
- 5 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted in me?
Hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him
For the help of his countenance.
- 6 O my God, my soul is cast down within me: therefore will I remember thee
From the land of Jordan, and of the Hermonites, from the hill Mizar.
- 7 Deep calleth unto deep at the noise of thy waterspouts:
All thy waves and thy billows are gone over me.
- 8 Yet the Lord will command his lovingkindness in the daytime,
And in the night his song shall be with me,
And my prayer unto the God of my life.
- 9 I will say unto God my rock, Why hast thou forgotten me?
Why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?
- 10 As with a sword in my bones, mine enemies reproach me;
While they say daily unto me, Where is thy God?
- 11 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me?
Hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him,
Who is the health of my countenance, and my God.

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