

1: Historical Dictionary of Calvinism - Sinopsis y Precio | FNAC

Historical Dictionary of Shinto) presents Calvinism as a strain of Christianity that has influenced society, civil government, and areas such as finance and continues to change and thrive. Thus, entries deal with aspects of Calvinistic thought before, during, and after its founder's lifetime.

There is also a scriptural discussion of predestination according to foreknowledge. The Scriptures do teach that humans are slaves to sin. Romans 7 discusses the fact that giving us a law that teaches us not to desire something only causes us to desire that thing more. It says that we find it easy to want to do what is right, but almost impossible to actually do what is right. The first verses of Ephesians 2 tell us that we all were once influenced by the spirit of disobedience that is at work in the world, which John tells us lies under the sway of the wicked one 1 Jn. None of these verses, however, state or even imply that we are unable to believe when we hear the Gospel! The basis of much false doctrine today is our predilection to interpret all-inclusive terminology in the Bible as literally all-inclusive. Can you imagine what our lives would be like if we did that to each other in every day life? We would come home from work one day to tell our wife, "My coworker lied to me today! He told me everyone is going to the office party tonight. Paul begins his letter to the Romans with, "I thank my God The Chinese were discussing the faith of Christians in Rome in the first century? So were the Native Americans? An example that will touch most of us is Psalm King David sings, "There is none that does good, no, not one. In the same way when Romans 7 describes our inability to do what is good, we need to realize that this does not apply to every person the same way. Some are as fully enslaved as the wording in Romans 7 implies. Others are less so. And there are others about whom Paul says, "When the Gentiles, who do not have the Law, do by nature the things contained in the Law, then these, not having the Law, are a law to themselves" Rom. When Peter came to the household of Cornelius, he said, "Truly I perceive that God is not partial, but in every nation the one that fears him and practices righteousness is accepted by him" Acts He said this to Cornelius, who was told by an angel that his prayers and gifts to the poor had come up as a memorial before God Acts Apparently, the angel was unaware that God chooses people unconditionally! He thought Cornelius was chosen for his prayers and alms. For the most part, speaking generally, humans are slaves to sin. They have a desire to do what is good, but they cannot find the power to do it. There are exceptions, which is why Jesus said, "I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance" Luke 5: All humans, however, can hear the Gospel, believe, and repent. This is why Paul says, "God once winked at the time of ignorance, but he now commands everyone everywhere to repent" Acts He later says, "[I] proclaimed Calvinism relies upon verses like John 6: It may mean what Christians historically took it to mean from the earliest days of Christianity: Or, if this were the only verse in the Bible, it might mean what Reformed theologians have suggested for a few hundred years: God has sovereignly chosen a few people since the very beginning, apart from any qualifications, and God only wants those people to come to him. Of course, the Calvinist interpretation contradicts Acts It contradicts 2 Peter 3: It contradicts 1 Tim. I said above that all-inclusive language is not always all-inclusive, and I gave you a couple examples in the Bible. But when the Scriptures say "all men" and "everyone everywhere" repeatedly, especially when it is talking about something that God is longing for, then it is safe to conclude that he is really using all-inclusive language. Nonetheless, there can be exceptions. Pharaoh, it appears, was an exception. God did not want him to be saved. This was not an unconditional choice, however. Paul does not tell us that God chose for Esau not to be saved. He tells us that God chose for Esau to serve Jacob. Paul then goes on to quote Malachi 1: The context, however, is not personal. The context in Malachi concerns nations. This is not far-fetched interpretation. The context in Romans 9 is also nations. The question being addressed is why God is choosing the Gentiles over the Israelites, not why God is choosing one individual over another. But now I am getting ahead of myself. Let us move on to "unconditional" election. Unconditional Election "Unconditional election" teaches that God chose "sovereignly elected" who would be saved in the very beginning, and that he did this unconditionally. This means that there is worth, value, or merit to a person that led to them being chosen for salvation. You may also return to the 5 points. Unconditional election is the basis of the TULIP system, and it

is the one doctrine of Calvinism that horrifies us most. Reformed theology suggests that God has chosen certain people to be saved, a few at that, and the majority of humans ever born are to be tormented eternally for their sins despite the fact that they had not the slightest opportunity nor ability to escape this destiny. What sort of monstrous god is this that Calvinism preaches? Fortunately, we can be sure it is not a Biblical one. We have already looked at several verses stating that God wants to save everyone Acts As a result, we have no decent competing interpretation of Romans 9 to give to the awful, God-insulting interpretation from Reformed theology. Romans 9 does indeed argue that God, since he is the Creator, has the right to do whatever he wants. Thus, we have to agree that if God wanted to condemn the vast majority of humanity to hell without even an opportunity to change their fate, he could do so. Fortunately, Paul had never heard of nor considered such an idea, so he does not mention it or bring it up. His topic is why God would choose to give the Gospel to the Gentiles. Paul spends not only all of chapter nine, but also all of chapters ten and eleven, explaining exactly why God is temporarily choosing the Gentiles over the Jews. This was certainly not an unconditional choice. In fact, the purpose of this choice was to lead to the salvation of both the Jews and the Gentiles. Paul does an excellent job of explaining that choice in Romans nine through eleven. Paul had never heard of the doctrines of Calvinism. Paul does bring up the matter of works. The Gentiles were not chosen over the Jews because their works were better. His choice was "gracious. Again, read Romans chapters nine through eleven and see if this is not obviously the choice of which Paul is speaking. Limited Atonement "Limited Atonement" teaches that Jesus died only for the elect i. There is nothing in the Bible that remotely suggests such a thing. It has never taken root in the east, even to this day. It was Thomas Aquinas who invented the theory of the atonement that most of you reading this page believe. We falsely think it has some historical or scriptural basis. This is why his theory is called the "penal substitution" theory. The very fact that it was unheard of prior to the thirteenth century should be proof enough that it is false. We talk about it so much, I had assumed it was clearly taught all over the New Testament. No such verse exists. It is only Roman Catholic and Protestant terminology. If Jesus death "paid" for sins, then no sin should be punished. Jesus has already taken the punishment for all sins. How can this be if all sins are already punished at the cross? Since the elect are all going to heaven, this third point of TULIP allows the death of Jesus to pay for their sins alone. Worse, John explicitly states that Jesus died for those that are not among the elect: He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for those of the whole world. This verse clearly states that Jesus propitiates sins of those that are not the elect. The word "propitiate," by the way, like the word "atonement," has no solid definition. That one verse rings the death knell of the doctrine of limited atonement. It is as though John had heard of the doctrine and meant to refute it. No verse in the New Testament teaches a limited atonement or even remotely suggests it. The doctrine of limited atonement is simply an attempt to rescue the doctrine of penal substitution, and that doctrine is false itself. Thus, once penal substitution is dismissed as a novelty, there is no point to the doctrine of limited atonement. Irresistible Grace "Irresistible grace" is the teaching that if a person is chosen by God, then they will respond to the call of God. Grace cannot be resisted.

2: Calvinism | Definition of Calvinism by Merriam-Webster

Calvinism definition, the doctrines and teachings of John Calvin or his followers, emphasizing predestination, the sovereignty of God, the supreme authority of the Scriptures, and the irresistibility of grace.

Europe, to Traditionally placed after Lutheranism as the second major part of magisterial Protestantism , "Calvinism" is now used by experts as a somewhat old-fashioned shorthand for something they prefer to call the Reformed theological tradition, which spawned a cluster of different but doctrinally related churches scattered across several disconnected parts of Europe and its colonies; it included many other Protestant theologians from several European countries, including places where this type of church never flourished. The Reformed tradition preceded John Calvin , who was simply its single most influential exponent; indeed, "Calvinist" was an insult coined in to describe Protestants who were willing to burn other non-Catholic Christians as heretics. Experts often prefer to begin the history of Calvinism not with Calvin himself, but with Huldrych Zwingli and the early Reformed tradition in Switzerland. Although Calvin is most famous for his Institutes of the Christian Religion, which he reworked and expanded several times between and , it was only one of his many published works. They were widely distributed across Europe, going through almost five hundred different editions in nine different languages between and Almost two hundred titles by Calvin were printed in his native French and over one hundred fifty more in Latin, the best vehicle for reaching educated people anywhere in Europe. One of them, Michel Roset , a Genevan chronicler, claimed that "great and small spoke of the subject" and called it "a singular grace and counsel of God , who by this means made this subject of predestination previously obscure and almost inaccessible for the most part most familiar in this church for the consolation and assurance of its children, who know that their salvation is founded on his eternal and unchangeable judgement" quoted in Benedict, p. To an optimist, it provided a source of comfort, rather than anxiety, in troubled times. Bullinger, his indispensable ally in Zurich, expressed uneasiness about its "excessive sharpness" and its independence from the magistracy. The four orders are preachers, teachers, elders, and deacons. Lay elders always presided, but Calvin personally attended its meetings whenever he could; in the s, he was frequently the only pastor present. Although its first ten cases concerned marriage promises and it soon handled a few divorce cases, such matters were never its principal concerns. Its activities multiplied prodigiously. Nearby rural parishes, which were far slower to become "Calvinist," saw many people excommunicated for superstition, dancing, singing lewd songs, or fornication. Urban misbehavior was different, mainly involving quarrels with family or neighbors and a huge range of "scandals," including such trivial offenses as a woman urinating in a cooking pot or a man urinating in the street without turning his back. No other place in Europe, Protestant or Catholic, even remotely approached these levels of official moral surveillance. Such extreme measures apparently got results. For example, some bits of statistical evidence support the claim of John Knox c. At Geneva, they reached the lowest levels yet found by demographic historians: Another indication gains value because it comes from an extremely hostile source, an Italian Jesuit who visited Geneva in From their original base in modern Switzerland its early French-speaking strongholds, including Geneva, did not become Swiss cantons until the nineteenth century , they reached into most parts of European Christendom, except Scandinavia , which remained entirely Lutheran, and Mediterranean Catholic countries with national Inquisitions Spain , Portugal , and Italy , where its nascent movements were successfully repressed. Everywhere else—from southern France to Scotland in western Europe, through the Netherlands and scattered bits of the Holy Roman Empire , as far east as Poland and Hungary —networks of Reformed churches were established, decreeing professions of faith and organizing synods. Although no early "Calvinist" churches adopted exactly the same confession of faith, they shared many common features. One easy and simple way to distinguish them from other Protestants is by considering what sixteenth-century theologians called notae, or marks of the true church. Luther and every other Protestant leader insisted that preaching the Word of God correctly was the very first requirement. Nearly all of them added a second mark: Beyond these two, Luther occasionally mentioned other signs of a true church, including proper discipline; some of his more radical rivals added even more the founder of the Mennonites had six, while other

Anabaptists went up to a dozen. It was clearly a fundamental aspect of mainstream Calvinism and remained so. In the Holy Roman Empire, only one important ruler adopted it: In Scotland, an incompetent sovereign enabled Calvinism to become the official faith, while in England, a Protestant but not Calvinist sovereign struggled to tame it. In the Netherlands, a powerful but distant and unpopular sovereign ultimately failed to prevent Calvinism from triumphing in half of his lands—although not in the regions where it had originated. In France, the Reformed faith grew with amazing rapidity in the late 1500s, establishing clandestine churches in towns throughout the kingdom and converting many noblemen, including some from princely houses. Starting in the 1500s, both France and the Netherlands experienced extremely long and bitter cycles of civil wars, which historians conventionally call the "Wars of Religion. Although French Huguenots lost both battles and members during the wars, the French crown repeatedly granted them some freedom of worship in order to stop the fighting. In the Netherlands, the rebels also lost most of the battles. However, after they gained a foothold in defensible northern positions after 1568, the greatest civilian mass migration in sixteenth-century Europe eventually brought dozens of thousands of Calvinists into the region. Although the rebels soon established the Reformed faith in Dutch provinces, historians have pointed out how few full members these "official" churches actually had even in the mid-seventeenth century. In the British Isles, the rapid success of Calvinism in Scotland, destined to become one of its major strongholds, was unexpected. In a way, both results connect to a notorious pamphlet against the "monstrous" rule of women by John Knox, the most famous English-speaking sixteenth-century Calvinist. In 1557, he issued a new church order that followed the Reformed manner of celebrating Communion and accompanied it with a relatively brief catechism that quickly provoked Lutheran wrath for upholding the "damnable sect" of Zwingli and Calvin. It was also the only important one. Isolation apparently increased Palatine aggressiveness. Frederick III intervened militarily to help French Huguenots; by grasping for the Bohemian crown in 1619, his successors ultimately devastated their possessions, although the Reformed church they built proved sufficiently sturdy to survive subsequent persecutions. In theological terms, they provided the Reformed faith with one of its major confessional documents, the Heidelberg Catechism; it was adopted by the synod of Emden, on the Dutch border, in 1563, and soon afterward by the Reformed churches of Hungary and Poland. In ecclesiological terms, the Palatinate created the largest network of consistorial discipline in central Europe; but it also produced the doctrine of Erastianism, the most extreme Protestant version of the subordination of church to state. In eastern Europe, state power was far weaker, and the Reformed church acquired a different configuration. The widespread use of Latin among the nobility and literate minority enabled Calvin and Bullinger to get their message across in Polish- or Magyar-speaking lands. Before the tide began turning against them after 1618 and exposed the shallowness of their roots, over Reformed churches had been established in Poland and another in the Lithuanian parts of the kingdom; at that moment, Calvinists formed the largest single religious group in the Polish Senate. Meanwhile, Calvinism sank much deeper roots in the kingdom of Hungary, shattered by a Turkish victory that left Budapest under Ottoman occupation for years. In Europe, it stopped growing through armed struggle with Catholic governments, and instead it lost ground in many places. In Poland-Lithuania, it disappeared entirely through a peaceful Catholic reconquest. Its only new foundations, destined to become important in subsequent centuries, were in overseas colonies like New England or South Africa. Occasionally, Calvinism still seemed bellicose after 1618. Ironically, the only successful military rising by seventeenth-century Calvinists came against a Protestant ruler, Charles I of England, in 1642. In places where it had become established, like the Netherlands or Scotland, Reformed church membership continued to increase, and Calvinism sank much deeper roots among the population. But elsewhere, it often receded into insignificance. Most historians consider the seventeenth century the apogee of a "confessionalized" Europe, and Calvinism fits this pattern perfectly. By the time Harvard College was founded in Massachusetts in 1636, Reformed churches had created at least two dozen institutions of higher learning. After 1618, at least 95 percent of all Reformed pastors in the Netherlands or the Palatinate boasted university training in theology; most did even in the remotest Scottish isles. Under such conditions, theology and ecclesiology, rather than politics, came to dominate its seventeenth-century history. Two major theological "summit conferences" were held, where issues about predestination dominated discussions, with questions about the proper organization of church discipline close behind. Protestantism has

always displayed a penchant for spinning off new branches. Even in places where it was established, seventeenth-century Calvinism splintered: Remonstrants opposed Counter-Remonstrants in the Netherlands; Presbyterians and Episcopalians quarreled violently in Scotland. New variants, most notably Congregationalism, emerged elsewhere. The Synod of Dort Dordrecht in the Netherlands, summoned in order to resolve the conflict between Remonstrants and Counter-Remonstrants, offers the closest approximation to the Council of Trent within the Calvinist or Reformed tradition. It held no fewer than official sessions between November and May , and included nineteen voting colleges representing four national churches the French Reformed church also tried to send delegates, but King Louis XIII forbade them to leave the country. A majority of the voting colleges represented the host nation: The Synod of Dort succeeded in its original purpose by marginalizing the Remonstrants who included the world-famous jurist Hugo Grotius , already imprisoned before the synod met. Two details suggest its importance in the English-speaking world. The Synod of Dort canonized what subsequently became known as the five cardinal points of official Calvinism, which English-speaking followers memorized through the acronym TULIP: Considering the importanceâ€”and now, the relative obscurityâ€”of these doctrines, they deserve a bit of elaboration. And "P" asserts that God will somehow preserve the elect from falling from grace, despite their occasional and inevitable lapses into sin. A second and much longer lasting institution met during the Puritan revolution and eventually reshaped English-speaking Calvinism into its best-known forms. Of its members, all but 30 were "learned, godly and judicious divines" hand-picked by the Long Parliament three, who had settled in Massachusetts, declined the invitation ; the remainder were themselves members of Parliament. The assembly prepared a book of discipline for the English church, providing a presbyterian form of discipline similar in essential aspects to arrangements among French and Dutch Calvinists. It then prepared a confession of faith, which essentially repeated the "LIP" parts of the Dort formula while avoiding the most abstract aspects of predestination. In , it produced both shorter and longer versions of what we now call the Westminster Catechism. Although created in England, the presbyterian system was essentially stillborn in its native land long before the Church of England was restored in However, its arrangements were enthusiastically adopted in Scotland, where they had a durable impact. Following a long episcopalian parenthesis after , they were grudgingly reimposed in after a Dutch prince, William III, who believed in predestination and spoke about achieving consensus on terms "wherein all the Reformed churches do agree" Benedict, p. The preamble to its resolutions, which retained nominal authority in New England until about , boasted of their doctrinal agreement with "all the reformed churches of Christ in Europe. The Cambridge synod thus created a new branch of Calvinism, the one we now call Congregationalism, which became a de facto established church throughout most of New England. New Englanders were the most famous Calvinists to settle in America before , but they were certainly not the only ones. The Dutch settlers of New Amsterdam , later New York , had established their Reformed church by by , the Dutch had also established it in South Africa , which still remains a bastion of the Dutch Reformed church. Soon afterward, thousands of Scots-Irish colonists from Ulster Northern Ireland fled in order to escape Protestant persecution; they settled mostly in the middle colonies and formed their first presbytery at Philadelphia by Methodism, the largest neo-Calvinist Protestant church in America, arrived there by the mid-eighteenth century. As the history of Calvinist emigration to America testifies, such seventeenth-century intra-Protestant confessional quarrels were often high-stakes issues for laymen. They were even more so for clerics because public authorities quickly removed ministers from theologically incorrect factions. After , Remonstrants were deprived throughout the Netherlands; in Scotland, many Episcopalians were deprived after , and Presbyterians were deprived in about one-fourth of its thousand parishes after The situation was worst in Stuart England, which exceeded its previous pastoral purges under the Tudors in and After the Restoration of gave the Church of England a head Charles II who had once remarked that "Presbyterianism is not a religion for gentlemen," two thousand more were removed as insufficiently Episcopalian. After the Glorious Revolution of , another four hundred British clergy were deposed for refusing to swear allegiance to William and Mary. Wherever the Reformed faith became an official church, as in Scotland, the Netherlands, or the Palatinate, its organizations for ecclesiastical discipline operated hand in glove with public authorities. Records from such institutions in various parts of Europe

enable us to form some general impressions about how Calvinist discipline actually worked in the heyday of confessionalism. Another distinctive feature of Reformed Protestantism was its remarkably small number of official holidays. Calvin himself saw no need and no scriptural basis for any holiday other than Sunday, and Reformed Protestants usually celebrated extremely few of them. Such situations were, however, exceptional.

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Blog Calvinism The Protestant Reformation made its initial impact in 16th century Europe through the efforts of Martin Luther and his followers. The teachings of another reformer, French-born theologian and lawyer John Calvin , came to prominence somewhat later and supplanted Lutheranism in many areas. Basic tenets included the following beliefs: God is totally and completely sovereign All men are totally depraved and deserve eternal damnation. A merciful God, however, took pity on man and sent his Son to redeem some of the damned. No man was deserving of such grace, but God freely offered salvation to an unspecified number thought to be very small of sinners. These fortunate individuals were known as the Elect; their fate was determined by God before their births predestination and was irreversible. No one knew who was among the saved. God had decided that matter long ago. On the other side of the coin, it was almost universally believed among Calvinists that a life of dissipation was a sure sign of damnation. Such a system of beliefs exerted a mixed impact on society. Good conduct was encouraged because many people, perhaps unconsciously, wanted to convince themselves that they were among the elect. However, there were negative influences from Calvinism as well. Anxiety was high in these communities as anguished believers contemplated their fates. Comfort was found by observing the moral failures of others and concluding that they were no doubt among the damned. Calvinists differed from Roman Catholics in their rejection of papal authority. Calvin retained only two of the Catholic sacraments: Luther had taught that salvation was based on faith and rejected the Calvinistic conception of predestination. The Calvinists insisted on an austere society governed by theocrats as Calvin helped to establish in Geneva ; Lutheran communities were more accepting and forgiving. Both the Calvinists and Lutherans would be at odds with later, more emotionally charged Christian sects, in which each group and sometimes each individual would interpret Scripture. Calvinism would have a great impact on the development of colonial America, especially in the New England region, where the so-called Reformed churches Puritan , Presbyterian and Huguenot were dominant in the early years. Off-site search results for "Calvinism"

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Zwingli opposed any religious practice for which he could find no scriptural justification, such as the use of images, organs, and singing in worship while Luther actively opposed the destruction of images in churches. These reformers came from diverse academic backgrounds, but later distinctives of Reformed theology can already be detected in their thought, especially the priority of scripture as a source of authority. Each of these theologians also understood salvation to be by grace alone, and affirmed a doctrine of particular election the teaching that some people are chosen by God for salvation. Martin Luther and his successor Philipp Melancthon were undoubtedly significant influences on these theologians, and to a larger extent later Reformed theologians. The doctrine of justification by faith alone was a direct inheritance from Luther. Luther strongly believed it necessary to maintain that Christ is physically present in the Eucharist, while Zwingli along with his followers including John Oecolampadius in Basel favored a symbolic meaning to the rite which would be called sacramentarianism. Martin Bucer in Strasbourg took a mediating position. Luther labeled Zwingli, Oecolampadius, and others who took this view blasphemous, un-Christian, and fanatic. Following success against Catholics in the First War of Kappel of 1525, Zurich enforced a harsh blockade on Catholic cantons, leading to the Second War of Kappel in 1531. The Zurichers were defeated, and Zwingli was killed in the battle. Catholics continued to hold power in a majority of Swiss cantons, though three-fifths of the population was Protestant. Musculus taught a spiritual presence of Christ in the Eucharist and a cautious form of double predestination. His *Institutes of the Christian Religion* was widely distributed and considered by some to be the most important work of theology of the era. This relative ecclesiastical independence from civil authority was a rare achievement and considered by many to be the Reformed ideal. In France, groups of Christians influenced by Protestant writers who became known as Huguenots formed secretly and started underground churches and informal Bible reading groups. Calvin also aided in the creation of the French Confession of Faith in 1559. The newly formed churches developed a presbyterial system of church government with national and regional synods. Unlike in the Genevan model and many other early Reformed churches, the Reformed Church in France remained relatively independent of the state. Knox preached to Scottish noblemen from 1549 to 1550, though he did not encourage the establishment of independent churches as was done in France. In a group of noblemen known as the Lords of the Congregation swore an oath, following a Scottish custom, to promote Protestant reforms in churches. He invited two students of Calvin, Zacharias Ursinus and Kaspar Olevianus, to the university city of Heidelberg in 1527. The two men co-operated in writing the Heidelberg Catechism in 1528 to replace the conflicting catechisms currently circulating in the realm. In 1530 he was called to appear at the Diet of Augsburg to account for his violation of the Treaty of Augsburg. His testimony was so impressive that no action was taken against him, leaving the Palatinate free to continue in a Reformed direction. Some other German states and cities also adopted the Heidelberg Catechism and the Reformed faith. Polish priests began instituting reforms influenced by Calvin starting in the 1530s. Emperor Maximilian II tolerated Lutheran and Reformed worship in Bohemia through 1550, and many Bohemian nobles established Reformed worship on their estates. The vestments controversy beginning in 1565, in which John Hooper refused to wear a surplice, was the first manifestation of Puritanism. Puritans were characteristically more rigid on issues of worship such as kneeling at communion than some of their predecessors such as Calvin, Bucer, and Knox. While doctrinally the Church of England during this time was generally Reformed in character, she retained an episcopal polity. Criticism of episcopacy took a number of forms, with some Reformed writers being more tolerant of it than others. The move served to exacerbate tensions within the Reformed Church, including a heated period of debate between Arminius and fellow Leiden faculty member Franciscus Gomarus beginning in 1603. Following the death of Arminius in 1609, a group of followers of Arminius, known as Arminians, published the Five Articles of Remonstrance. In 1618, the teachings came under scrutiny at the Synod of Dort. The resulting

judgments, the Canons of Dort, issued in 1619, condemned the teachings. Between the beginning of the 17th century until 1648, the Dutch Reformed Church also went through the Nadere Reformatie, or "Further Reformation. Many settlers were members of the Dutch Reformed Church in the Netherlands, and in 1621, they received their first minister. Despite having their own consistory, the Nederduitse Gereformeerde Kerk was under the control of the Dutch Reformed Church in Amsterdam. Unfortunately, his conversion prompted serious backlash against the Calvinists from the predominantly Lutheran population in Hesse. Eventually, Brandenburg would become a bi-confessional state, allowing for both Lutheranism and Calvinism, and the Electors of Brandenburg often advocated for their persecuted Calvinist brethren. Invading Roman Catholics besieged Heidelberg in 1622, severely damaging the city and persecuting many Reformed believers. Five years later, in 1623, Maximilian I of Bavaria demanded the citizens of Heidelberg to convert to Roman Catholicism, yet they refused to do so, saying that they would rather forfeit their property than give up their Reformed faith. For decades following the end of the war, the Reformed enjoyed peace and stability. The Peace of Prague in 1635 had guaranteed legal recognition and protection for the Reformed. Three years later, a dispute over the who was the legitimate ruler of the Palatinate prompted King Louis XIV of France to invade, leading to a wave of persecution of Protestants and the destruction of the city of Heidelberg. The Treaty of Ryswick put an end to violent persecution, yet, subsequent leaders put further pressure on the German Reformed. Scandinavia[edit] The Scandinavian countries of Denmark, Sweden and Norway had adopted Lutheranism early on, making it the official religion of their states. In 1689, Christian V allowed for freedom of worship to non-Lutherans, and four years later, in 1693, the queen herself laid the cornerstone for the first Reformed church building. French Huguenots established the first and only Reformed body in Sweden in the late 18th century. The Church of England had adopted the mildly Calvinistic Thirty-Nine Articles and the more explicitly Calvinistic Lambeth Articles, both of which had been written in the second half of the 16th century. The Church of Scotland adhered to the Calvinistic Scots Confession, although Scots had been forced to somewhat compromise on their ecclesiology. Also in Ireland, the settling of the on the northeast part of the island Ulster Plantation by some Scottish Presbyterians led to the establishment of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. In 1707, Parliament, in exchange for the military support from Scottish Covenanters, convened the Westminster Assembly. While they were intended to be binding on the entire nation, following the restoration of the monarchy in 1688, King Charles II openly supported the Church of England at the exclusion of the Presbyterians. Meanwhile, in 1709, Congregationalists, borrowing heavily from the Westminster Confession, wrote the Savoy Declaration. Baptists and Congregationalists, along with Presbyterians, faced persecution following the restoration of the monarchy and the passing of the Conventicle Act of 1701. The Second Reformation 1750 [edit] The second reformation was given different names even in different parts of the English-speaking world. The Reformation in Switzerland is often considered to have lasted through this time.

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Covenant theology Reformed theologians use the concept of covenant to describe the way God enters fellowship with people in history. Because Adam and Eve broke the covenant by eating the forbidden fruit , they became subject to death and were banished from the garden. This sin was passed down to all mankind because all people are said to be in Adam as a covenantal or "federal" head. Federal theologians usually infer that Adam and Eve would have gained immortality had they obeyed perfectly. In it, God graciously offers salvation from death on condition of faith in God. This covenant is administered in different ways throughout the Old and New Testaments, but retains the substance of being free of a requirement of perfect obedience. Barth saw the covenant of works as disconnected from Christ and the gospel, and rejected the idea that God works with people in this way. Instead, Barth argued that God always interacts with people under the covenant of grace, and that the covenant of grace is free of all conditions whatsoever. Michael Horton , however, has defended the covenant of works as combining principles of law and love. God in Christianity and Trinity For the most part, the Reformed tradition did not modify the medieval consensus on the doctrine of God. God is affirmed to be one God in three persons: Father , Son , and Holy Spirit. Drawing on the Eastern tradition, these Reformed theologians have proposed a " social trinitarianism " where the persons of the Trinity only exist in their life together as persons-in-relationship. According to Russell, thinking this way encourages Christians to interact in terms of fellowship rather than reciprocity. Christ , Hypostatic union , Extra calvinisticum , Substitutionary atonement , and Threefold office Reformed theologians affirm the historic Christian belief that Christ is eternally one person with a divine and a human nature. Reformed Christians have especially emphasized that Christ truly became human so that people could be saved. Because Lutherans believe that Christ is bodily present in the Eucharist , they hold that Christ is bodily present in many locations simultaneously. For Reformed Christians, such a belief denies that Christ actually became human. Faith is personified as a woman to the right of a naked man on the ground asking Christ the way of salvation. They have, however, often reinterpreted the meaning of each of the offices. Christ is believed to have died in place of the believer, who is accounted righteous as a result of this sacrificial payment. Christian views on sin and Total depravity In Christian theology, people are created good and in the image of God but have become corrupted by sin , which causes them to be imperfect and overly self-interested. This view, that sin so dominates people that they are unable to avoid sin, has been called total depravity. These theologians have sought to bring attention to issues of environmental, economic, and political justice as areas of human life that have been affected by sin.

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