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READINGS IN AMERICAN RELIGIOUS HISTORY TO 1860

G. K. Chesterton called the United States a “nation with the soul of a church.” Perhaps at the end of this course we will understand what he meant.

Readings

Each week everyone will read the core assignment. Students are responsible for obtaining the core readings by hook or by crook. Beginning in the second week, each person will select their own secondary reading. Generally, you will be free to choose the work that most interests you, but some “volunteers” may be sacrificed to ensure coverage across the topics.

All core readings have been placed on two-hour reserve at the Wisconsin Historical Society Library for the semester. Secondary readings are not reserved. Most monographs and journals can be found in the Library’s collection [WHS]; if there is no indication, assume WHS. Other journals can be found at Memorial Library. An increasing number of journals and, for that matter, books, are available online. You can find electronically accessible journals and books in the online catalog. Hard copies of items not in WHS can be found elsewhere on campus [indicated as C = College Library, Helen C. White Hall; CLC = in my possession; E = Ethnic Studies Collection, Helen C. White Hall; Eb = Ebling Library, Health Sciences Learning Center; G = Geography Library, Science Hall; I = Internet via MadCat; L = Law School Library, Law School; M = Memorial Library; RR = Reading Room, Wisconsin Historical Society Library; UGR = 1191 Collection, Helen C. White Hall]. I have tried to identify the location of all items, but, ultimately, finding them is your responsibility.

Written Assignments

You will write three papers, 7-8 pages, typed, double-spaced. You must choose one of the first two paper options, and one of the second two. Everyone must write the final essay. You need advert only to course readings but may include any relevant materials. If you wish to write on a different topic, please discuss your proposal with me.

Paper 1, Option 1: Due Monday, October 2 - Explain what, if anything, Protestantism contributed to laying the foundations of the American national state.

Paper 1, Option 2: Due Monday, October 23 - Analyze the extent of religious toleration that may have existed in revolutionary-era America.

Paper 2, Option 1: Due Monday, November 13 - Evaluate evangelicalism’s role in the Anglo-American public sphere in the eighteenth and early nineteenth centuries.

Paper 2, Option 2: Due Monday, November 27 - Assess to what degree, if any, the notion of “religious pluralism” might extend to include cultural and racial as well as denominational and ecclesiastical categories..

Final Paper: Due Monday, December 18 - Explain the relationship between religion and the political culture in the mid-nineteenth-century United States.

Paper Format

Please follow the Style Sheet on my web page, http://history.wisc.edu/cohen/Style_Sheet.pdf.

Rewrite Policy

You may rewrite either or both of the first two assigned papers (time constraints prohibit rewriting the final one), but only after talking with me about such details as the new due date and the kinds of changes to be made. You must inform me of your decision to rewrite a paper by the Friday following the class session at which I first return the original version. You will ordinarily receive one week to rewrite, but I will be flexible about negotiating extensions for good cause. The old draft (plus any separate sheet of comments) *must* accompany the new version. Rewriting cannot lower your grade (nor can changing your mind about handing in a revised paper), but it does not by itself guarantee a higher one; you must *substantially rework the essay*, following my comments and initiating your own improvements too.

Grading

Simplicity itself. The papers and class discussion each count 25%.

Incompletes

The Gendzel Protocol governs the assigning of Incompletes: in fairness to those students who turn their work in on time, I will not grant an Incomplete for reasons other than Acts of God or other extraordinary disasters (covered in the "Proclamation," p. 17 *infra*). You may have an Incomplete without penalty only in such cases; in all other instances, an Incomplete carries a grade penalty of ½-step.

Academic Conduct Statement

I expect you to conform to the highest standards of academic integrity and conduct; for the University's policy on such matters, see <http://www.students.wisc.edu/doso/academic-integrity/>. For help in understanding what constitutes plagiarism and how to avoid it, see the Writing Center's site, <http://writing.wisc.edu/Handbook/QuotingSources.html>.

Disability Statement

This course is set up include persons with disabilities. Please let me know if you need accommodations in the curriculum, instruction, or assessments to enable your full participation. I will attempt to maintain confidentiality of the information you share with me.

I. INTRODUCTION**SEPT. 6 - ONE EMPIRE UNDER GOD**

Core reading: Carla Gardina Pestana, *Protestant Empire: Religion and the Making of the British Atlantic World*

SEPT. 13 - BIBLE V. CHRISTENDOM

Core reading: Mark Noll, *In the Beginning Was the Word: The Bible in American Public Life, 1492-1783*

Secondary Reading:**Overview**

Alec Ryrie, "'Protestantism' as a Historical Category," *Transactions of the Royal Historical Society*, 26 (2016), 59-77 [I]

The Bible in Politics and Culture

James P. Byrd, *The Challenges of Roger Williams: Religious Liberty, Violent Persecution, and the Bible*, 155-82

James P. Byrd, *Sacred Scripture, Sacred War: The Bible and the American Revolution*, 45-72

Gordon Campbell, *Bible: The Story of the King James Version*, 108-28 [M, C]

Paul D. Hanson, *A Political History of the Bible in America*, 31-60 [I]

Daniel L. Dreisbach, "The Bible and the Political Culture of the American Founding," in Daniel L.

Dreisbach and Mark David Hall, eds., *Faith and the Founders of the American Republic*, 144-73

Naomi Tadmor, *The Social Universe of the English Bible: Scripture, Society, and Culture in Early Modern England*, 119-64 [M]

Hermeneutics and Authority

Robert E. Brown, *Jonathan Edwards and the Bible*, 1-26 [M, I]

Lisa M. Gordis, *Opening Scripture: Bible Reading and Interpretive Authority in Puritan New England*, 145-86

David F. Holland, *Sacred Borders: Continuing Revelation and Canonical Restraint in Early America*, 17-46

J. Michael Lee, *The Erosion of Biblical Certainty: Battles over Authority and Interpretation in America*, 25-51

Emerson B. Powery and Rodney S. Sadler, Jr., *The Genesis of Liberation: Biblical Interpretation in the Antebellum Narratives of the Enslaved*, 83-111 [CLC]

Eran Shalev, *American Zion: The Old Testament as a Political Text from the Revolution to the Civil War*, 15-49

Reiner Smolinski, "How to Go to Heaven, or How Heaven Goes? Natural Science and Interpretation in Cotton Mather's 'Biblia Americana', (1693-1728)," *New England Quarterly*, 81, (2008), 278-329

Lydia Willsky-Ciollo, *American Unitarianism and the Protestant Dilemma: The Conundrum of Biblical Authority*, 1-50 [CLC]

Religion and Print Culture

Ross W. Beales, "Ebenezer Parkman's World of Print: A Country Parson and the Print Culture of Eighteenth-Century Anglo-America," *Library & Information History*, 31 (2015), 229-57 [I]

Michael S. Carter, "'Under the Benign Sun of Toleration': Mathew Carey, the Douai Bible, and Catholic Print Culture, 1789-1791," *Journal of the Early Republic*, 27 (2007), 437-69

Paul Gutjahr, *An American Bible: A History of the Good Book in the United States, 1777-1880*, 9-39

David D. Hall, "Transatlantic Passages: The Reformed Tradition and the Politics of Writing," in Stephanie Kirk and Sarah Rivett, eds., *Religious Transformations in the Early Modern Americas*, 109-30

Seth Perry, "'What the Public Expect': Consumer Authority and the Marketing of Bibles, 1770-1850," *American Periodicals*, 24 (2014), 128-44

T. J. Tomlin, *A Divinity for All Persuasions: Almanacs and Early American Religious Life*, 101-24

SEPT. 20 - FREE MARKET, FREE CONSCIENCE

Core reading: Frank Lambert, *The Founding Fathers and the Place of Religion in America*

Secondary reading:

Overviews

James W. Caesar, "Alexis de Tocqueville and the Two-Founding Thesis," *Review of Politics*, 73 (2011), 219-43

Daniel Walker Howe, et al., "Religion and Politics on the American Scene," *Religion & American Culture*, 18 (Winter 2008), 1-26

Churches and States

Thomas E. Buckley, *Establishing Religious Freedom: Jefferson's Statute in Virginia*, 55-81 [I]

Derek Davis, *Religion and the Continental Congress*, 151-73

Mark Douglas McGarvie, *One Nation Under Law: America's Early National Struggles to Separate Church and State*, 97-130 [WHS, L]

Edwin S. Gaustad, "Religious Tests, Constitutions, and 'Christian Nation'," in Ronald Hoffman and Peter J. Albert, eds., *Religion in a Revolutionary Age*, 218-35

Thomas D. Hamm, "Church, State, Courts, and Law in Indiana to 1851," *Indiana Magazine of History*, 111 (2015), 30-63

James H. Hutson, *Church and State in America: The First Two Centuries*, 47-93 [WHS, C]

Isaac Kramnick and R. Laurence Moore, *The Godless Constitution*, 67-87

Monica Najar, *Evangelizing the South: A Social History of Church and State in Early America*, 115-36

Ronald Peters, *The Massachusetts Constitution of 1780: A Social Compact*, 65-114

Establishment and Disestablishment

Shelby Balik, *Rally the Scattered Believers: Northern New England's Religious Geography*, 74-109

Stephen Botein, "Religious Dimensions of the Early American State," in Richard Beeman, et al., eds., *Beyond Confederation*, 315-30

Steven K. Green, *The Second Disestablishment: Church and State in Nineteenth-Century America*, 53-77

Christopher S. Grenda, "Revealing Liberalism in Early America: Rethinking Religious Liberty and Liberal Values," *Journal of Church and State*, 45 (2003), 131-163 [WHS, I]

Nathan Hatch, "The Whirlwind of Religious Freedom in Early America," in Richard Helmstadter, ed., *Freedom and Religion in the Nineteenth Century*, 29-53 [M]

Mark D. McGarvie, "Disestablishing Religion and Protecting Religious Liberty in State Laws and Constitutions (1776-1833)," in T. Jeremy Gunn and John Witte, eds., *No Establishment of Religion: American's Original Contribution to Religious Liberty*, 70-99

Michael Novak, "The Influence of Judaism and Christianity on the American Founding," in James H. Hutson, ed., *Religion and the Republic: Faith in the Founding of America*, 159-87

Religious Markets

Chris Beneke, "The Free Market and the Founders' Approach to Church-State Relations," *Journal of Church & State*, 52 (2010), 323-52

Roger Finke and Rodney Stark, *The Churching of America, 1776-2005: Winners and Losers in Our Religious Economy*, 25-54

E. Brooks Holifield, "Why Are Americans So Religious? The Limitations of Market Explanations," in Jan Stievermann, et al., eds., *Religion and the Marketplace in the United States*, 33-62

II. NEW ENGLAND WAYS

SEPT. 27 - THE PUBLIC SQUARE ON THE HILL

Core reading: David D. Hall, *A Reforming People: Puritanism and the Transformation of Public Life in New England*

Secondary Reading:

Overviews

Charles L. Cohen, "Puritanism," *Encyclopedia of the North American Colonies*, III, 577-94 [RR]

Puritanism and Civil Authority

Stephen Baskerville, *Not Peace but a Sword: The Political Theology of the English Revolution*, 96-130 [M]

Monica D. Fitzgerald, "Drunkards, Fornicators, and a Great Hen Squabble: Censure Practices and the Gendering of Puritanism," *Church History*, 80 (2011), 40-75

Stephen Foster, *Their Solitary Way: The Puritan Social Ethic in the First Century of Settlement in New England*, 155-72

Jane Kamensky, *Governing the Tongue: The Politics of Speech in Early New England*, 99-126

Mark David Hall, "Vindiciae, Contra Tyrannos: The Influence of the Reformed Tradition in the American Founding," in Daniel L. Dreisbach and Mark David Hall, eds., *Faith and the Founders of the American Republic*, 34-62

Carla Pestana, *The English Atlantic in an Age of Revolution 1640-1661*, 123-56

Richard J. Ross, "Puritan Godly Discipline in Comparative Perspective: Legal Pluralism and the Sources of 'Intensity'," *American Historical Review* 113 (2008), 975-1002

J. P. Sommerville, *Royalists and Patriots: Politics and Ideology in England 1602-1640*, 2nd ed., 134-74 [M]

Michael Winship, *Godly Republicanism: Puritans, Pilgrims, and a City on a Hill*, 183-205

Phil Withington, *The Politics of Commonwealth: Citizens and Freemen in Early Modern England*, 230-64

John Witte, Jr., *The Reformation of Rights: Law, Religion and Human Rights in Early Modern Calvinism*, 277-320

Puritanism, Church Discipline and Ecclesiastical Authority

Theodore Dwight Bozeman, *To Live Ancient Lives: The Primitivist Dimension in Puritanism*, 120-50

Francis Bremer, *Lay Empowerment and the Development of Puritanism*, 69-86

James Cooper, *Tenacious of Their Liberties: The Congregationalists in Colonial Massachusetts*, 23-45

David D. Hall, *The Faithful Shepherd: A History of the New England Ministry in the Seventeenth Century*, 121-55

Stephen Foster, *The Long Argument: English Puritanism and the Shaping of New England Culture, 1580-1700*, 138-74

Richard Gildrie, *The Profane, the Civil, & the Godly: The Reformation of Manners in Orthodox New England, 1679-1749*, 133-56

J. S. Maloy, *The Colonial American Origins of Modern Democratic Thought*, 86-113

Mary Beth Norton, *Founding Mothers & Fathers: Gendered Power and the Forming of American Society*, 359-99

Mark A. Peterson, *The Price of Redemption: The Spiritual Economy of Puritan New England*, 23-50

Timothy L. Wood, *Agents of Wrath, Sowers of Discord: Authority and Dissent in Puritan Massachusetts, 1630-1655*, 87-110

David A. Weir, *Early New England: A Covenanted Society*, 172-90

Ralph F. Young, "Breathing the 'Free Aire of the New World': The Influence of the New England Way on the Gathering of Congregational Churches in Old England, 1640-1660," *New England Quarterly*, 83 (2010), 5-46

OCT. 4 - PROTESTANT SAINT

Core reading: Catherine Brekus, *Sarah Osborn's World: The Rise of Evangelical Christianity in North America*

Secondary Reading:**African Americans**

- Catherine Adams and Elizabeth H. Pleck, *Love of Freedom: Black Women in Colonial and Revolutionary New England*, 81-102
- Richard J. Boles, "Documents Relating to African American Experiences of White Congregational Churches in Massachusetts, 1773-1832," *New England Quarterly*, 86 (2013), 310-23
- James F. Cooper, Jr., "Cuffee's 'Relation': a Faithful Slave Speaks Through the Project for the Preservation of Congregational Church Records," *New England Quarterly* 86 (2013), 293-310
- John Howard Smith, *The First Great Awakening: Redefining Religion in British America, 1725-1775*, 199-223 [WHS, M, I]

Evangelicalism

- Robert Calhoun, *Evangelicals and Conservatives in the Early South, 1740-1861*, 133-62
- Linford D. Fisher, "Evangelicals and Unevangelicals: The Contested History of a Word, 1500-1950," *Religion & American Culture*, 26, 2 (2016), 184-226
- Thomas Kidd, *The Great Awakening: The Roots of Evangelical Christianity in Colonial America*, 234-52
- Thomas J. Little, *The Origins of Southern Evangelicalism: Religious Revivalism in the South Carolina Lowcountry, 1670-1760*, 116-47 [WHS, M, I]
- Samuel C. Smith, *A Cautious Enthusiasm: Mystical Piety and Evangelicalism in Colonial South Carolina*, 109-24 [M]

Religion and Economic Activity

- James Calvin Davis and Charles Mathewes, "Saving Grace and Moral Striving: Thrift in Puritan Theology," in Joshua Yates and James Davison Hunter, eds., *Thrift and Thriving in America: Capitalism and Moral Order from the Puritans to the Present*, 88-116
- Benjamin L. Carp, "'Fix'd almost amongst Strangers': Charleston's Quaker Merchants and the Limits of Cosmopolitanism," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3rd ser., 74 (2017), 77-108
- Katherine Carté Engle, *Religion and Profit: Moravians in Early America*, 95-134
- Michael Hoberman, "'Under Their Captivity & Dispersion'" [Jewish merchants in colonial Boston], *Early American Studies, An Interdisciplinary Journal*, 10 (2012), 600-29
- Frank Lambert, "*Pedlar in Divinity*": *George Whitefield and the Transatlantic Revivals*, 52-94
- Mark Valeri, "Weber and Eighteenth-Century Religious Developments in America," in Jan Stievermann, et al., eds., *Religion and the Marketplace in the United States*, 63-78

Women and Religious Experience

- Leslie J. Lindenauer, *Piety and Power: Gender and Religious Culture in the American Colonies, 1630-1700*, 21-42
- Janet Moore Lindman, *Bodies of Belief: Baptist Community in Early America*, 156-78
- Phyllis Mack, *Heart Religion in the British Enlightenment: Gender and Emotion in Early Methodism*, 127-70 [M]
- Eric R. Seeman, *Pious Persuasions: Laity and Clergy in Eighteenth-Century New England*, 79-115
- Bryce Traister, *Female Piety and the Invention of American Puritanism*, 1-28
- Marilyn J. Westerkamp, *Women and Religion in Early America 1600-1850: The Puritan and Evangelical Tradition*, 35-52
- Douglas Winiarski, *Darkness Falls on the Land of Light: Experiencing Religious Awakenings in Eighteenth-Century New England*, 76-115

III. PLURALISM AND TOLERATION

OCT. 11 - WITHIN ONE, MANY

Core reading: Chris Beneke, *The Religious Origins of American Pluralism*

Secondary reading:

Overviews

Charles L. Cohen and Ronald L. Numbers, "Introduction," in idem, eds., *Gods in America: Religious Pluralism in the United States*, 1-18 [CLC]

Kathleen Flake, "An Enduring Contest: American Christianities and the State," in Catherine A. Brekus and W. Clark Gilpin, eds., *American Christianities: A History of Dominance & Diversity*, 491-508 [M]

Christopher S. Grenda, "Faith, Reason and Enlightenment: The Cultural Sources of Toleration in Early America," in Chris Beneke and Christopher S. Grenda, eds., *The First Prejudice*, 23-52 [WHS, M]

The Development of Religious Toleration

Charles P. Hanson, *Necessary Virtue: The Pragmatic Origins of Religious Liberty in New England*, 188-222

Evan Haefeli, *New Netherland and the Dutch Origins of American Religious Liberty*, 1-19

John T. Noonan, *The Lustre of our Country: The American Experience of Religious Freedom*, 41-58

John A. Ragosta, *Wellspring of Liberty: How Virginia's Religious Dissenters Helped Win the American Revolution and Secured Religious Liberty*, 15-42

Alan Houston, "'A Difference in Opinion Is Inevitable': Franklin, Hemphill, and Modern Toleration," *Eighteenth-century Studies*, 49 (2016), 329-52

John Sensbach, "Slaves to Intolerance: African American Christianity and Religious Freedom in Early America," in Chris Beneke and Christopher S. Grenda, eds., *The First Prejudice: Religious Tolerance and Intolerance in Early America*, 195-217 [WHS, M]

Pluralism and Religious Rivalry

Susan Juster, "Heretics, Blasphemers, and Sabbath Breakers: The Prosecution of Religious Crime in Early America," in Chris Beneke and Christopher S. Grenda, eds., *The First Prejudice: Religious Tolerance and Intolerance in Early America*, 123-42

Paul Harvey, *Bounds of Their Habitation: Race and Religion in American History*, 11-42 [C]

Charles H. Lippy, "Chastized by Scorpions: Christianity and Culture in Colonial South Carolina, 1669-1740," *Church History*, 79 (2010), 253-70 [M, I]

Monica Najjar, "Sectarians and Strategies of Dissent in Colonial Virginia," in Paul Rasor and Richard E. Bond, eds., *From Jamestown to Jefferson: The Evolution of Religious Freedom in Virginia*, 108-37

William Pencak, "Anti-Semitism, Toleration, and Appreciation: The Changing Relations of Jews and Gentiles in Early America," in Chris Beneke and Christopher S. Grenda, eds., *The First Prejudice: Religious Tolerance and Intolerance in Early America*, 241-62 [WHS, M]

James R. Stoner, "Catholic Politics and Religious Liberty in America: The Carrolls of Maryland," in Daniel L. Driesbach, Mark D. Hall, and Jeffrey H. Morrison, *The Founders on God and Government*, 251-71

Religious Liberty and Toleration in Early Modern Atlantic World

Teresa Bejan, "Evangelical Toleration," *Journal of Politics* 77 (2015), 1103-14

Andrew R. Murphy, *Conscience and Community: Revisiting Toleration and Religious Dissent in Early Modern England and America*, 209-43

Benjamin J. Kaplan, *Divided by Faith: Religious Conflict and the Practice of Toleration in Early Modern Europe*, 333-60 [C]

Stuart B. Schwartz, *All Can Be Saved: Religious Tolerance and Salvation in the Iberian Atlantic World*, 209-42

Denise Spellberg, *Thomas Jefferson's Qur'an: Islam and the Founders*, 41-80

OCT. 18 - CATHOLICS CAN TOO BE AMERICANS

Core reading: Maura Jane Farrelly, *Papist Patriots: The Making of an American Catholic Identity*

Secondary reading:

Anti-Catholicism

- Chris Beneke, "'Not by Force or Violence': Religious Violence, Anti-Catholicism, and Rights of Conscience in the Early National United States," *Journal of Church & State*, 54, 1 (2012), 5-32
- Michael S. Carter, "A 'Traiterous Religion': Indulgences and the Anti-Catholic Imagination in Eighteenth-century New England," *Catholic Historical Review*, 99, 1 (2013), 52-77
- Jessica Harland-Jacobs, "Incorporating the King's New Subjects: Accommodation and Anti-Catholicism in the British Empire, 1763-1815," *Journal of Religious History*, 39 (2015), 203-23
- Owen Stanwood, "The Protestant Moment: Antipopery, the Revolution of 1688-1689, and the Making of an Anglo-American Empire," *Journal of British Studies*, 46, 3 (2007), 481-508
- John Wolffe, "A Comparative Historical Categorisation of Anti-Catholicism," *Journal of Religious History*, 39 (2015), 182-202

The Catholic Church and the Republic

- Ronald A. Binzley, "Ganganelli's Disaffected Children: The Suppressed English, Jesuit Province and the Shaping of American catholicism, 1762-1817," Ph.D. Dissertation, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 2011, 85-121 (M, CLC)
- Patrick W. Carey, *People, Priests and Prelates: Ecclesiastical Democracy and the Tensions of Trusteeship*, 154-89
- Emily Clark *Masterless Mistresses: The New Orleans Ursulines and the Development of a New World Society, 1727-1834*, 225-57
- Jay P. Dolan, *In Search of American Catholicism: A History of Religion and Culture in Tension*, 13-45
- Maura Jane Farrelly, "American Slavery, American Freedom, American Catholicism," *Early American Studies, An Interdisciplinary Journal*, 10 (2012), 69-100
- Margaret Wilson Gillikin, "Competing Loyalties," *Early American Studies, An Interdisciplinary Journal* 11 (2013), 146-60
- John Gjerde, *Catholicism and the Shaping on Nineteenth-Century America*, 61-95
- John T. McGreevey, *Catholicism and American Freedom*, 19-42
- Catherine O'Donnell, "John Carroll and the Origins of an American Catholic Church, 1783-1815," *William and Mary Quarterly*, 3rd ser., 68 (2011), 101-26

Catholicism in Anglo-America

- Carol N. Abromaitis, "Catholicism in Maryland in the Seventeenth Century," *Recusant History*, 29, 3 (2009), 355-366
- Robert Emmett Curran, *Papist Devils: Catholics in British America, 1574-1783*, 246-74 [WHS, I]
- Jerome De Groot, *English and Catholic: The Lords Baltimore in the Seventeenth Century*, 169-208 [I]
- Debra Meyers, "Gender and Religion in England's Catholic Province," in Susan E. Dinan and Debra Meyers, eds., *Women and Religion in Old and New Worlds*, 213-30
- Elisabeth L. Roark, "Keeping the Faith: The Catholic Context and Content of Justus Engelhardt Kühn[']s Portrait of Eleanor Darnall, ca. 1710," *Maryland Historical Magazine*, 109 (2014), 391-427
- Antoinette Sutto, *Loyal Protestants and Dangerous Papists: Maryland and the Politics of Religion in the English Atlantic, 1630-1690*, 159-74 [I]
- T. J. Tomlin, *A Divinity for All Persuasions: Almanacs and Early American Religious Life*, 127-39

IV. RELIGION AND POLITICS IN THE REPUBLIC

Oct. 25 - AN AMERICAN (THEOLOGICAL) TRAGEDY

Core Reading: Mark A. Noll, *America's God: From Jonathan Edwards to Abraham Lincoln*

Secondary reading:

Edwards, Edwardseanism and the New Divinity

Joseph Conforti, *Jonathan Edwards, Religious Tradition, & American Culture*, 62-86

David W. Kling, *A Field of Divine Wonders: The New Divinity and Village Revivals in Northwestern Connecticut 1792-1822*, 43-74

George M. Marsden, *Jonathan Edwards: A Life*, 459-71

Mark Valeri, "Jonathan Edwards, the New Divinity, and Cosmopolitan Calvinism," in Oliver D. Crisp and Douglas A. Sweeney, eds., *After Jonathan Edwards: The Courses of the New England Theology*, 17-30

Evangelicalism

Randall Balmer, *The Making of Evangelicalism: From Revivalism to Politics and Beyond*, 9-26

Donald Matthews, *Religion in the Old South*, 81-135

George A. Rawlyk, *The Canada Fire: Radical Evangelicalism in British North America, 1775-1812*, 102-23

W. Jason Wallace, *Catholics, Slaveholders, and the Dilemma of American Evangelicalism, 1835-1860*, 89-112 [WHS, M]

W. R. Ward, *The Protestant Evangelical Awakening*, 296-355 [M]

Religion, Democracy and Republicanism

Dustin Gish and Daniel Klinghard, "The Mutual Influence of Biblical Religion and Enlightenment Reason at the American Founding," in idem, *Resistance to Tyrants, Obedience to God: Reason, Religion, and Republicanism at the American Founding*, 1-17

Sandra M. Gustafson, "Between Cicero and Augustine: Religion and Republicanism in the Americas and Beyond," in Stephanie Kirk and Sarah Rivett, eds., *Religious Transformations in the Early Modern Americas*, 252-64

Nathan O. Hatch, *The Democratization of American Christianity*, 17-46

Jared Hickman, "The Theology of Democracy," *New England Quarterly*, 81 (2008), 177-217

Benjamin Lyncer, *Republican Theology: The Civil Religion of American Evangelicals*, 101-28

Nathan R. Pen-Rosenthal, "The 'Divine Right of Republics': Hebraic Republicanism and the Debate over Kingless Government in Revolutionary America," *William & Mary Quarterly*, 3rd ser., 66 (2009), 535-64

Ellis Sandoz, *Republicanism, Religion, and the Soul of America*, 1-52 [I]

Theology and Theologians

Paul Conkin, *The Uneasy Center: Reformed Christianity in Antebellum America*, 210-49

Bruce Kuklick, *Churchmen and Philosophers: From Jonathan Edwards to John Dewey*, 66-79

E. Brooks Holifield, *The Gentleman Theologians: American Theology in Southern Culture, 1795-1860*, 127-54

David F. Holland, *Sacred Borders: Continuing Revelation and Canonical Restraint in Early America*, 89-126

Peter Thuesen, *Predestination: The American Career of a Contentious Doctrine*, 100-35

NOV. 1 - DOUBTING THOMASES

Core Reading: Eric Schlereth, *Age of Infidels: The Politics of Religious Controversy in the Early United States*

Secondary reading:**Evangelicals, Deists and Prophets**

Candy Gunther Brown, *The Word in the World: Evangelical Writing, Publishing, and Reading in America, 1789-1880*, 141-66

Gregg L. Frazer, *The Religious Beliefs of America's Founders: Reason, Revelation, and Revolution*, 214-36

Christopher Grasso, "Deist Monster: On Religious Common Sense in the Wake of the American Revolution," *Journal of American History*, 95 (June, 2008), 43-68

Alan Heimert, *Religion and the American Mind: From the Great Awakening to the Revolution*, 294-350

Susan Juster, *Doomsayers: Anglo-American Prophecy in the Age of Revolution*, 57-95

Thomas Kidd, *God of Liberty: A Religious History of the American Revolution*. 229-243

Thomas Kidd, *Benjamin Franklin: The Religious Life of a Founding Father*, 105-27

Rhys Isaac, *The Transformation of Virginia, 1740-1790*, 239-93

Jerome Dean Mahaffey, *Preaching Politics: The Religious Rhetoric of George Whitefield and the Founding of a New Nation*, 213-42

Darren Staloff, "Deism and the Founders," in Daniel L. Dreisbach and Mark David Hall, eds., *Faith and the Founders of the American Republic*, 144-73

Kerry Walters, *Revolutionary Deists: Early America's Rational Infidels*, 15-50 [C]

Religion and Politics

Amanda Porterfield, *Conceived in Doubt: Religion and Politics in the New American Nation*, 147-75

Jonathan Den Hartog, "Trans-Atlantic Anti-Jacobinism," *Early American Studies, An Interdisciplinary Journal* 11 (2013), 133-45

Henry F. May, *The Enlightenment in America*, 252-77

Jonathan D. Sassi, *A Republic of Righteousness: The Public Christianity of the Post-Revolutionary New England Clergy*, 84-120

Skepticism, Atheism, and Secularism

Nathalie Caron and Naomi Wulf, "American Enlightenments: Continuity and Renewal," *Journal of American History*, 99, 4 (2013), 1072-1091

Kirsten Fischer, "'Religion Governed by Terror': A Deist Critique of Fearful Christianity in the Early American Republic," *Revue Francaise d'Études Américaines*, 125 (2010), 13-26 [I]

Susan Jacoby, *Freethinkers: A History of American Secularism*, 13-34

Peter Manseau, *One Nation, Under Gods: A New American History*, 167-82

John Lardas Modern, *Secularism in Antebellum America*, 1-47

Leigh Eric Schmidt, *Hearing Things: Religion, Illusion, and the American Enlightenment*, 78-134

Leigh Eric Schmidt, *Village Atheists: How America's Unbelievers Made their Way in a Godly Nation*, 1-24

Matthew Stewart, *Nature's God: The Heretical origins of the American Republic*, 392-435 [M]

James Turner, *Without God, Without Creed: The Origins of Unbelief in America*, 73-113

V. RELIGION AND RACE

NOV. 8 - WHOSE GREAT SPIRIT?

Core Reading: Linford D. Fisher, *The Indian Great Awakening: Religion and the Shaping of Native Cultures in Early America*

Secondary reading:

Missions

- Emma Anderson, *The Betrayal of Faith: The Tragic Journey of a Colonial Native Convert*, 165-206
 Edward E. Andrews, *Native Apostles: Black and Indian Missionaries in the British Atlantic World*, 151-86
 James Axtell, *The Invasion Within*, 131-78
 Juliana Barr, *Peace Came in the Form of a Woman: Indians and Spaniards in the Texas Borderlands*, 27-68
 Christopher J. Bilodeau, "Understanding Ritual in Colonial Wabanakia," *French Colonial History*, 14 (2013), 1-31 (I)
 Carole Blackburn, *Harvest of Souls: The Jesuit Missions and Colonialism in North America, 1632-1650*, 105-28
 Laura M. Chmielewski, *The Spice of Popery: Converging Christianities on an Early American Frontier*, 211-42
 Charles L. Cohen, "The Limits of Missions in the Early Modern World," [ms, CLC]
 Richard W. Cogley, *John Eliot's Mission to the Indians before King Philip's War*, 207-49
 Nicholas P. Cushner, *Why Have You Come Here?: The Jesuits and the First Evangelization of Native America*, 149-69
 Kathryn N. Gray, *John Eliot and the Praying Indians of Massachusetts Bay*, 89-120

Native Beliefs and Christianity

- Matt Cohen, "Believing in Piety: Spiritual Transformation Across Cultures in Early New England," in Stephanie Kirk and Sarah Rivett, eds., *Religious Transformations in the Early Modern Americas*, 161-79
 Gregory Evans Dowd, *A Spirited Resistance: The North American Indian Struggle for Unity, 1745-1815*, 1-22
 Allan Greer, *Mohawk Saint: Catherine Tekakwitha and the Jesuits*, 111-24
 Tracy Neal Leavelle, *The Catholic Calumet: Colonial Conversions in French and Indian North America*, 154-79 [WHS, C, I]
 Daniel R. Mandell, "'Turned Their Minds to Religion,'" *Early American Studies, An Interdisciplinary Journal*, 11 (2013), 211-42
 Richard W. Pointer, "Native Freedom? Indians and Religious Tolerance in Early America," in Chris Beneke and Christopher S. Grenda, eds., *The First Prejudice: Religious Tolerance and Intolerance in Early America*, 169-94
 Daniel K. Richter, *Facing East from Indian Country: A Native History of Early America*, 189-236
 Tammy Schneider, "'This Once Savage Heart of Mine': Joseph Johnson, Wheelock's 'Indians,' and the Construction of a Christian/Indian Identity, 1764-1776," in Colin G. Calloway and Neal Salisbury, eds., *Reinterpreting New England Indians and the Colonial Experience*, 232-63
 Erik R. Seeman, *Death in the New World: Cross-Cultural Encounters, 1492-1800*, 106-42
 David J. Silverman, *Red Brethren: The Brothertown and Stockbridge Indians and the Problem of Race in Early America*, 30-69
 Rachel Wheeler, *To Live Upon Hope: Mohicans and Missionaries in the Eighteenth-century Northeast*, 105-32
 Douglas L. Winiarski, "Native American Popular Religion in New England's Old Colony, 1670-1770," in Joel W. Martin and Mark A. Nicholas, eds., *Native Americans, Christianity, and the Reshaping of the American Religious Landscape*, 93-124

NOV. 15 - THE SOULS OF BLACK FOLK

Core Reading: *Plantation Church: How African American Religion Was Born in Caribbean Slavery*

Secondary reading:**African American Religion**

- Patricia Bonomi, "'Swarms of Negroes Comeing about My Door': Black Christianity in Early Dutch and English North America," *Journal of American History*, 103 (2016), 34-58
- Allen Dwight Callahan, *The Talking Book*, 1-20
- Valerie C. Cooper, *Word, like Fire: Maria Stewart, the Bible, and the Rights of African Americans*, 91-110 [WHS, M, I]
- Bridget Ford, "Black Spiritual Defiance and the Politics of Slavery in Antebellum Louisville," *Journal of Southern History*, 78 (2012), 69-106
- Daniel L. Fountain, *Slavery, Civil War and Salvation: African American Slaves and Christianity, 1830-1870*, 68-92
- Jared Hardesty, "An Angry God in the Hands of Sinners: Enslaved Africans and the Uses of Protestant Christianity in Pre-Revolutionary Boston," *Slavery & Abolition*, 35 (2014), 66-83
- Charles F. Irons, *The Origins of Proslavery Christianity: White and Black Evangelicals in Colonial and Antebellum Virginia*, 97-132
- Donald G. Mathews, *Religion in the Old South*, 185-236
- Ann Taves, *Fits, Trances, & Visions: Experiencing Religion and Explaining Experience from Wesley to James*, 76-117

Black Churches

- Dee E. Andrews, *The Methodists and Revolutionary America, 1760-1800: The Shaping of an Evangelical Culture*, 123-54
- Julius Bailey, *Down in the Valley: An Introduction to African American Religious History*, 53-86
- Janet Duitsman Cornelius, *Slave Missions and the Black Church in the Antebellum South*, 69-102
- John Ernest, *A Nation Within a Nation: Organizing African-American Communities before the Civil War*, 53-81 [I]
- J. Gordon Melton, *A Will to Choose: The Origins of African American Methodism*, 35-62
- Richard S. Newman, *Freedom's Prophet: Bishop Richard Allen, the AME Church, and the Black Founding Fathers*, 158-83
- Albert J. Raboteau, *Slave Religion: The "Invisible Institution" in the Antebellum South*, 151-210

Atlantic Contexts

- Kristen Block, *Ordinary Lives in the Early Caribbean: Religion, Colonial Competition, and the Politics of Profit*, 201-30
- John W. Catron, "Evangelical Networks in the Greater Caribbean and the Origins of the Black Church," *Church History*, 79 (2010), 77-114
- Ennis Barrington Edmonds, *Caribbean Religious History: An Introduction*, 65-92 [CLC]
- Sylvia R. Frey and Betty Wood, *Come Shouting to Zion: African American Protestantism in the American South and British Caribbean to 1830*, 149-81
- Travis Glasson, *Mastering Christianity: Missionary Anglicanism and Slavery in the Atlantic World*, 75-110
- Michael A. Gomez, *Exchanging our Country Marks: The Transformation of African Identities in the Colonial and Antebellum South*, 244-90
- Sylvester A. Johnson, *African American Religions, 1500-2000: Colonialism, Democracy, and Freedom*, 107-56
- Margarite Fernández Olmos and Lizabeth Paravisini-Gebert, *Creole Religions of the Caribbean: An Introduction from Vodou and Santería to Obeah and Espiritismo*, 2nd ed., 155-82 [M]
- Jon F. Sensbach, *Rebecca's Revival: Creating Black Christianity in the Atlantic World*, 69-100

NOV. 22 - SAVING THE WORLD

Core Reading: Emily Conroy-Kurtz, *Christian Imperialism: Converting the World in the Early American Republic*

Secondary reading:**Backgrounds**

Edward E. Andrews, "Tranquebar: Charting the Protestant International in the British Atlantic and Beyond," 74 (2017), 3-34

Katherine Carté Engel, "The SPCK and the American Revolution: The Limits of International Protestantism," *Church History*, 81 (2012), 77-103

Imperialism and Colonialism

Hilary M. Carey, *God's Empire: Religion and Colonialism in the British World, c.1801-1908*, 40-69

Lori J. Daggar, "The Mission Complex," *Journal of the Early Republic*, 36 (2016), 467-91

Ussama Makdisi, *Artillery of Heaven: American Missionaries and the Failed Conversion of the Middle East*, 72-102 [M]

Joy Schulz, "Birthing Empire: Economies of Childrearing and the Formation of American Colonialism in Hawai'i, 1820–1848," *Diplomatic History*, 38 (2014), 895-925

Connie Shemo, "Directions in Scholarship on American Women and Protestant Foreign Mission: Debates Over 'Cultural Imperialism,'" *History Compass*, 10 (2012), 270-83 [I]

Missionaries Abroad

Nicholas M. Creary, "The Demands of Humanity and Religion: The U.S. Catholic Church, Colonization, and the Mission to Liberia, 1842-44," *Catholic Historical Review*, 100 (2014), 27-51

Christine Leigh Heyrman, *American Apostles: When Evangelicals Entered the World of Islam*, 3-16 [M]

Char Miller, "'Domesticity Abroad': Work and Family in the Sandwich Islands Mission, 1820-1840," in Clifford Putney and Paul T. Burlin, eds., *The Role of the American Board in the World: Bicentennial Reflections on the Organization's Missionary Work, 1810-2010*, 312-30

Lawrence H. Kessler, "A Plantation upon a Hill; Or, Sugar without Rum: Hawai'i's Missionaries and the Founding of the Sugarcane Plantation System," *Pacific Historical Review*, 84 (2015), 129-62

Robert N. Nash, Jr., "'And How Shall They Preach Unless They Are Sent': The U.S. Church and the Mission to Burma," *American Baptist Quarterly*, 32 (2013), 104-20

Gary Okihiro, *Island World: A History of Hawai'i and the United States*, 98-134 [WHS, C]

Religious Others

Michael J. Altman, "Before Hinduism: Missionaries, Unitarians, and Hindoos in Nineteenth-Century America," *Religion & American Culture*, 26, 2 (2016), 260-95

Derek Chang, *Citizens of a Christian Nation: Evangelical Missions and the Problem of Race in the Nineteenth Century*, 1-14

Thomas J. Kidd, *American Christians and Islam: Evangelical Culture and Muslims from the Colonial Period to the Age of Terrorism*, 37-58

Indian Missions

Linda M. Clemmons, *The Conflicted Mission: Faith, Disputes, and Deception on the Dakota Frontier*, 123-52

Steven W. Hackel, *Children of Coyote, Missionaries of Saint Francis: Indian-Spanish Relations in Colonial California, 1769-1850*, 127-81

William G. McLoughlin, *Cherokees & Missionaries, 1789-1839*, 239-65

Hillary E. Wyss, *English Letters and Indian Literacies: Reading, Writing, and New England Missionary Schools, 1750-1830*, 150-89

VI. THE NATIONAL RELIGIOUS STATE

NOV. 29 - REPRESSIBLE CONFLICT

Core reading: David Goldfield, *America Aflame: How the Civil War Created a Nation*, 1-394

Secondary reading:

Overview

Harry S. Stout, "Review Essay: Religion, War, and the Meaning of America," *Religion and American Culture* 19, 2 (Summer, 2009), 275-89

Churches and the Sectional Crisis

T. Felder Dorn, *Challenges on the Emmaus Road: Episcopal Bishops Confront Slavery, Civil War, and Emancipation*, 93-122

Richard J. Carwardine, *Evangelicals and Politics in Antebellum America*, 279-318

C. C. Goen, *Broken Churches, Broken Nation*, 65-107

Samuel S. Hill, *The South and North in American Religion*, 46-89

William B. Kurtz, *Excommunicated from the Union: How the Civil War Created a Separate Catholic America*, 89-107

John R. McKivigan, "The Battle for the Border State Soul," *Ohio Valley History*, 12 (2012), 48-71

Kevin Phillips, *The Cousins' Wars: Religion, Politics, & The Triumph of Anglo-America*, 363-406

George C. Rable, *God's Almost Chosen Peoples: A Religious History of the American Civil War*, 11-32

Mitchell Snay, *Gospel of Disunion: Religion and Separatism in the Antebellum South*, 181-209

Religion and the Civil War

Terrie Dapp Aamodt, *Righteous Armies, Holy Cause: Apocalyptic Imagery and the Civil War*, 100-18

Drew Gilpin Faust, *This Republic of Suffering: Death and the American Civil War*, 3-31

Bridget Ford, *Bonds of Union: Religion, Race and Politics in a Civil War Borderland*, 3-28

Eugene D. Genovese, *A Consuming Fire: The Fall of the Confederacy in the Mind of the White Christian South*, 101-21

Steve Longenecker, *Gettysburg Religion: Refinement, Diversity, and Race in the Antebellum and Civil War Border North*, 131-70 [WHS, I]

Phillip Shaw Paludin, "Religion and the American Civil War," in Randall M. Miller, et al., eds., *Religion and the American Civil War*, 21-40

Daniel W. Stowell, *Rebuilding Zion: The Religious Reconstruction of the South, 1863-1877*, 33-48

Timothy L. Wesley, *The Politics of Faith during the Civil War*, 8-31 [WHS, I]

Steven E. Woodward, *While God is Marching On: The Religious World of Civil War Soldiers*, 199-230

Theological Reflection

Giorgi Areshidze, *Democratic Religion from Locke to Obama: Faith and the Civic Life of Democracy*, 70-91

Edward J. Blum, "'To Doubt This Would Be to Doubt God': Reconstruction and the Decline of Providential Confidence," in Ben Wright and Zachary W. Dresser, eds., *Apocalypse and the Millennium in the American Civil War Era*, 217-52 [WHS, M, I]

Joseph R. Fornieri, *Abraham Lincoln's Political Faith*, 133-64

Allen Guelzo, *Abraham Lincoln: Redeemer President*, 311-51

Nicholas Guyatt, *Providence and the Invention of the United States*, 259-98

Mark Noll, *The Civil War as a Theological Crisis*, 51-74

Charles Royster, *The Destructive War: William Tecumseh Sherman, Stonewall Jackson, and the Americans*, 264-95

Harry S. Stout, *Upon the Altar of the Nation: A Moral History of the Civil War*, 167-90

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Core Reading: Sarah Barringer Gordon, *The Mormon Question: Polygamy and Constitutional Conflict in Nineteenth-Century America*

Secondary reading:**Overviews**

Charles L. Cohen, "The Construction of the Mormon People," *Journal of Mormon History*, 32 (Spring, 2006), 25-64

Terryl L. Givens, et al., "Forum" [on Mormonism, family, American popular culture, gender, and politics], *Religion & American Culture*, 23 (Winter 2013), 1-29

Politics, Law and Anti-Mormonism

Stephen Cresswell, *Mormons & Cowboys, Moonshiners & Klansmen: Federal Law Enforcement in the South & West, 1870-1893* 79-132

Edwin Brown Firmage and Richard Collin Mangrum, *Zion in the Courts: A Legal History of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1830-1900*, 160-209

Spencer Fluhman, "A Peculiar People": *Anti-Mormonism and the Making of Religion in 19th-Century America*, 103-25

Terryl Givens, *The Viper on the Hearth: Mormons, Myths, and the Construction of Heresy*, 76-93

Susan W. Howard, "William Jarman: 'That Anti-Mormon Apostle of the British Isles,'" *Journal of Mormon History*, 43 (2017), 59-86

Patrick Q. Mason, *The Mormon Menace: Violence and Anti-Mormonism in the Post-Bellum South*, 102-26

D. Michael Quinn, *The Mormon Hierarchy: Origins of Power*, 105-43

Paul W. Reeve, *Religion of a Different Color: Race and the Mormon Struggle for Whiteness*, 52-74

Jan Shippo, "Difference and Otherness: Mormonism and the American Religious Mainstream," in idem, *Sojourner in the Promised Land: Forty Years Among the Mormons*, 302-28

Christine Talbot, *A Foreign Kingdom: Mormons and Polygamy in American Political Culture, 1852-1890*, 105-28 [WHS, I]

Polygamy and Sexuality

James B. Bennett, "'Until This Curse of Polygamy Is Wiped Out': Black Methodists, White Mormons, and Constructions of Racial Identity in the Late Nineteenth Century," *Religion & American Culture*, 21 (Summer 2011), 167-94

Richard Lyman Bushman, *Joseph Smith: Rough Stone Rolling, A Cultural Biography of Mormonism's Founder*, 437-58

Kathryn M. Daynes, *More Wives Than One: Transformation of the Mormon Marriage System, 1840-1910*, 67-87

Jesse L. Embry, *Mormon Polygamous Families: Life in the Principle*, 53-71

Lawrence Foster, *Religion and Sexuality: Three American Communal Experiments of the Nineteenth Century*, 181-225

Lewis J. Kern, *An Ordered Love: Sex Roles and Sexuality in Victorian Utopias—the Shakers, the Mormons, and the Oneida Community*, 170-89

D. Michael Quinn, *Same-Sex Dynamics among Nineteenth-Century Americas: A Mormon Example*, 265-89

Stephen Eliot Smith, "Barbarians within the Gates: Congressional Debates on Mormon Polygamy, 1850-1879," *Journal of Church & State*, 51 (2009), 587-616 [WHS, I]

Jason Vickers, "'That Deep Kind of Discipline of Spirit': Freedom, Power, Family, Marriage, and Sexuality in the Story of John Humphrey Noyes and the Oneida Community," *American Nineteenth Century History*, 14 (2013), 1-26

DECEMBER 13 - MORAL MAJORITY

Core Reading: David Sehat, *The Myth of American Religious Freedom*

Christian Republic

- John Fea, *Was America Founded as a Christian Nation?: A Historical Introduction*, 3-21
- Elizabeth Fenton, "Birth of a Protestant Nation: Catholic Canadians, Religious Pluralism, and National Unity in the Early U.S. Republic," *Early American Literature*, 41 (2006), 29-57
- Steven K. Green, *Inventing a Christian America: The Myth of the Religious Founding*, 1-19
- Mark Hanley, *Beyond a Christian Commonwealth: The Protestant Quarrel with the American Republic, 1830-1860*, 32-57
- Hugh Hecllo, "Is America a Christian Nation?" *Political Science Quarterly*, 122 (2007), 59-87 [M]
- James S. Kabala, *Church-State Relations in the Early American Republic, 1787-1846*, 151-78
- Kevin M. Kruse, *One Nation Under God: How Corporate America Invented Christian America*, 67-94 [WHS, I]
- Perry Miller, "From the Covenant to the Revival," in idem, *Nature's Nation*, 90-120
- Peter Onuf, "Thomas Jefferson's Christian Nation," in R. K. Ramazani and Robert Fatton, eds., *Religion, State, and Society: Jefferson's Wall of Separation in Comparative Perspective*, 17-36
- Ernest Tuveson, *Redeemer Nation*, 91-136

Moral Order

- Dickson D. Bruce, Jr., *Earnestly Contending: Religious Freedom and Pluralism in Antebellum America*, 94-119
- John W. Compton, *The Evangelical Origins of the Living Constitution*, 52-72 [Law, I]
- Joseph S. Moore, *Founding Sins: How a Group of Antislavery Radicals Fought to Put Christ into the Constitution*, 63-87
- Molly Oshatz, "No Ordinary Sin: Antislavery Protestants and the Discovery of the Social Nature of Morality," *Church History*, 79 (2010), 334-58
- Jeffrey Thomas Perry, "'Courts of Conscience': Local Law, the Baptists, and Church Schism in Kentucky, 1780-1840," *Church History*, 84 (2015), 124-58

Separation of Church and State

- Daniel L. Driesbach, *Thomas Jefferson and the Wall of Separation between Church and State*, 25-54
- William R. Hutchinson, *Religious Pluralism in America: The Contentious History of a Founding Ideal*, 30-58
- Philip Hamburger, *Separation of Church and State*, 144-89
- Frank Lambert, *Separation of Church and State: Founding Principle of Religious Liberty*, 187-222
- Nicholas P. Miller, *The Religious Roots of the First Amendment: Dissenting Protestants and the Separation of Church and State*, 133-55
- James M. Patterson, "The American Nehemiah, or the Tale of Two Walls," *Journal of Church and State*, 57 (2015), 450-68
- Arthur Scherr, "Thomas Jefferson Versus the Historians: Christianity, Atheistic Morality, and the Afterlife," *Church History*, 83 (2014), 60-109i
- Winifred Sullivan, et al., "Forum: Mark deWolfe Howe, *The Garden and the Wilderness*," *Church History*, 79 (2010), 860-86 [M, I]
- Timothy Verhoeven, "'An Encouraging Precedent': The United States and the Separation of Church and State in France, 1832-1905," *French Historical Studies*, 38 (2015), 447-72 [I]

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