

Church History Literacy

Baptist Expansion in America

Lesson 83

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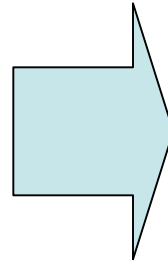
**“Baptist”
Where did
that label
come from?**



Many are now proud of the label, but it was originally derogatory

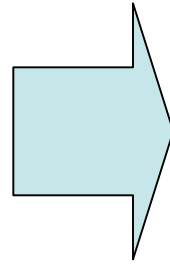
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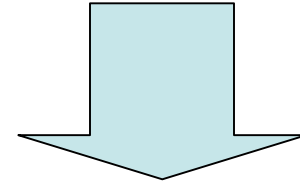


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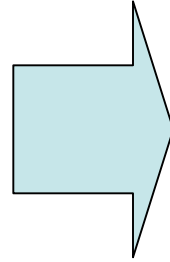


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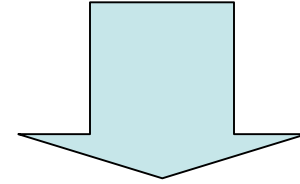


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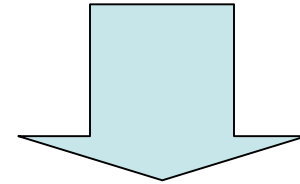
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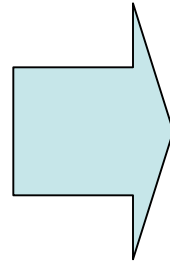


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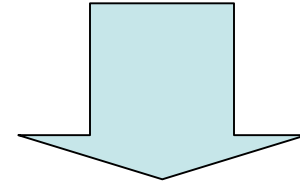


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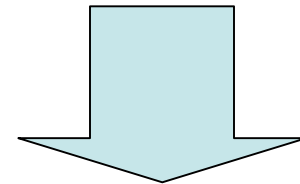
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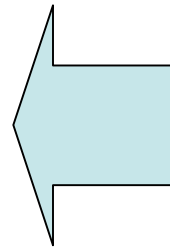
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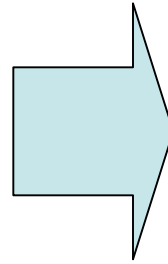


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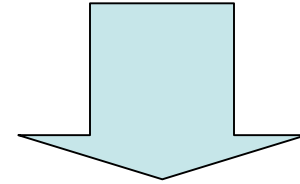


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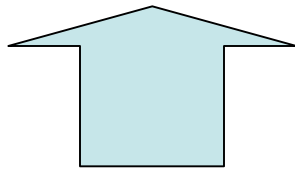
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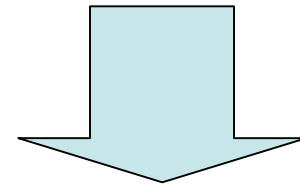
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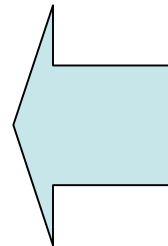
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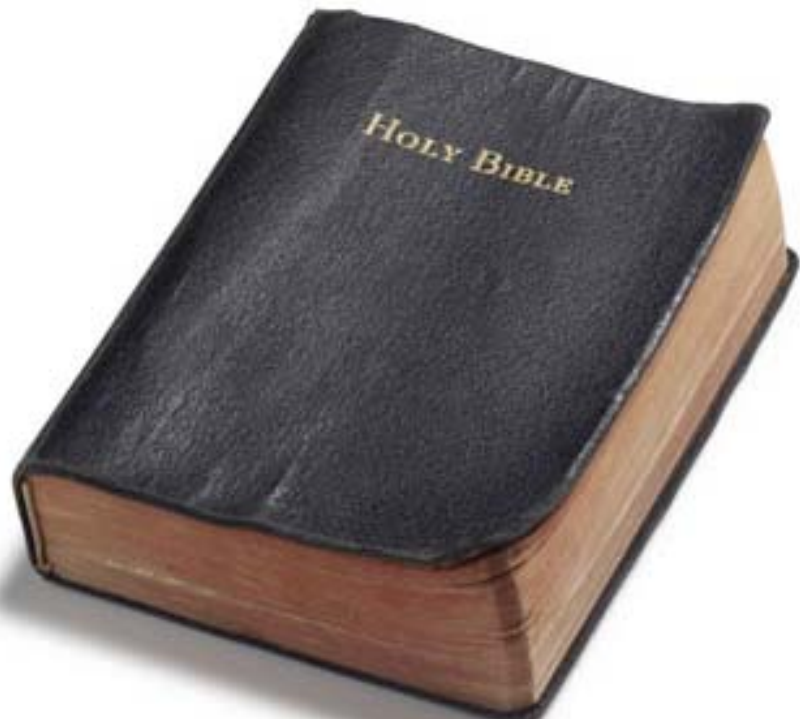
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So what
makes a
Baptist a
Baptist?



1. The absolute authority of scripture





2. Infant baptism is contrary to scripture and inadequate for church membership



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**3. Church
membership
belongs only to
the saved**



4. Salvation is a personal issue of faith and cannot be forced on anyone



**5. Baptism
should be by
immersion**

Baptism and history



**Baptism is a
New
Testament
practice of
adults**



Baptism
changes with
succeeding
centuries



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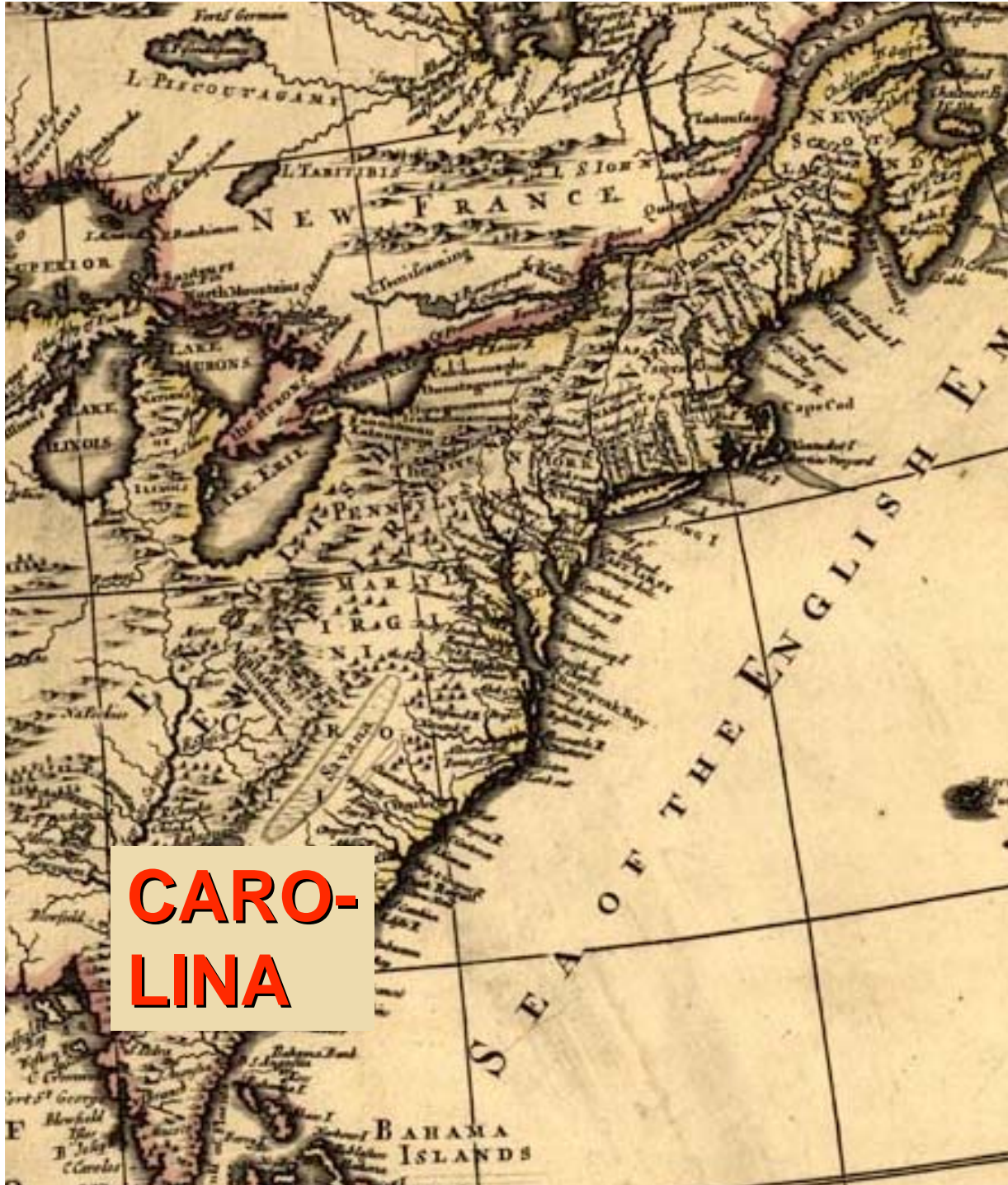
The Baptists
took issue
with this
practice







The Eastern
United
States in
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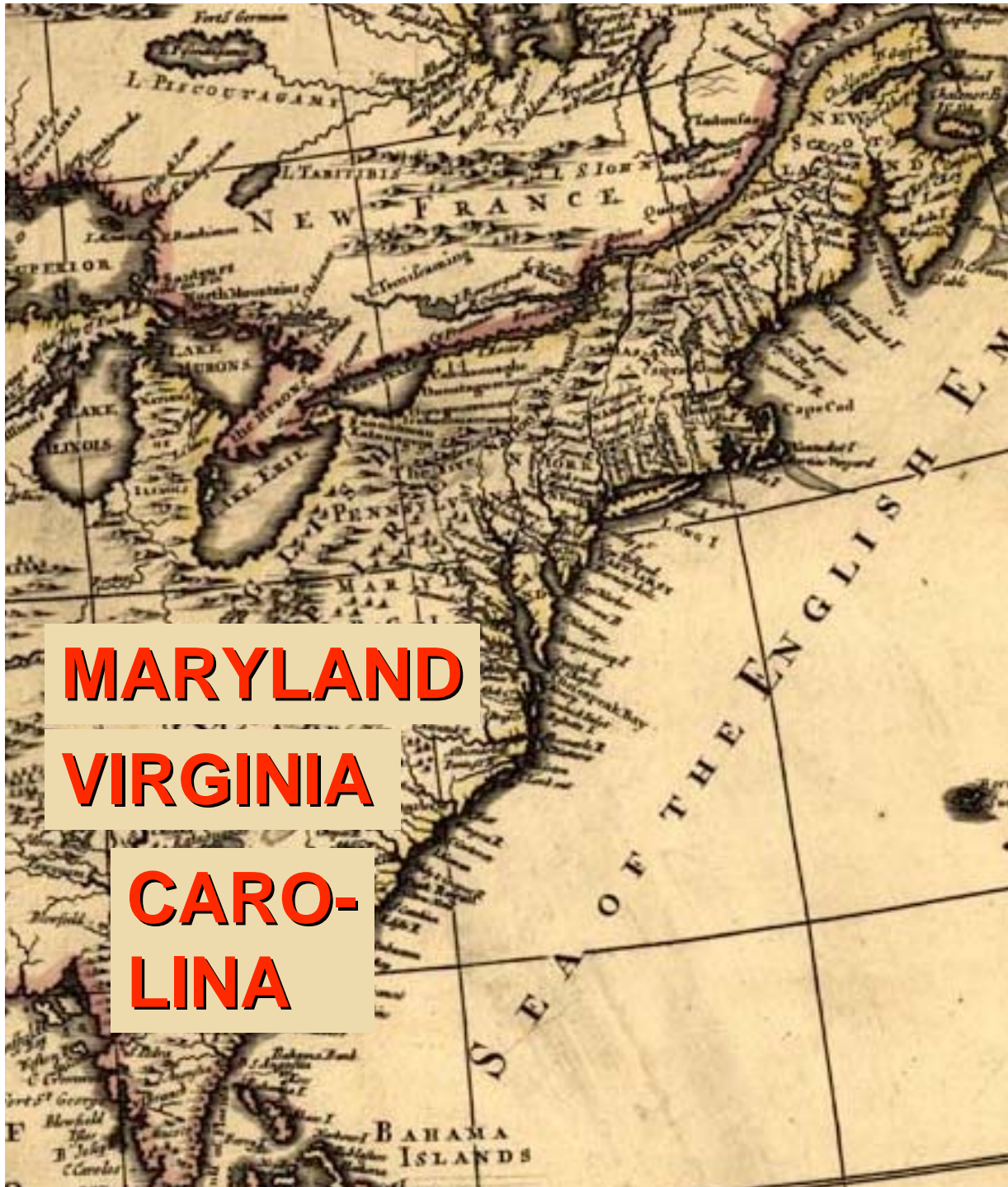
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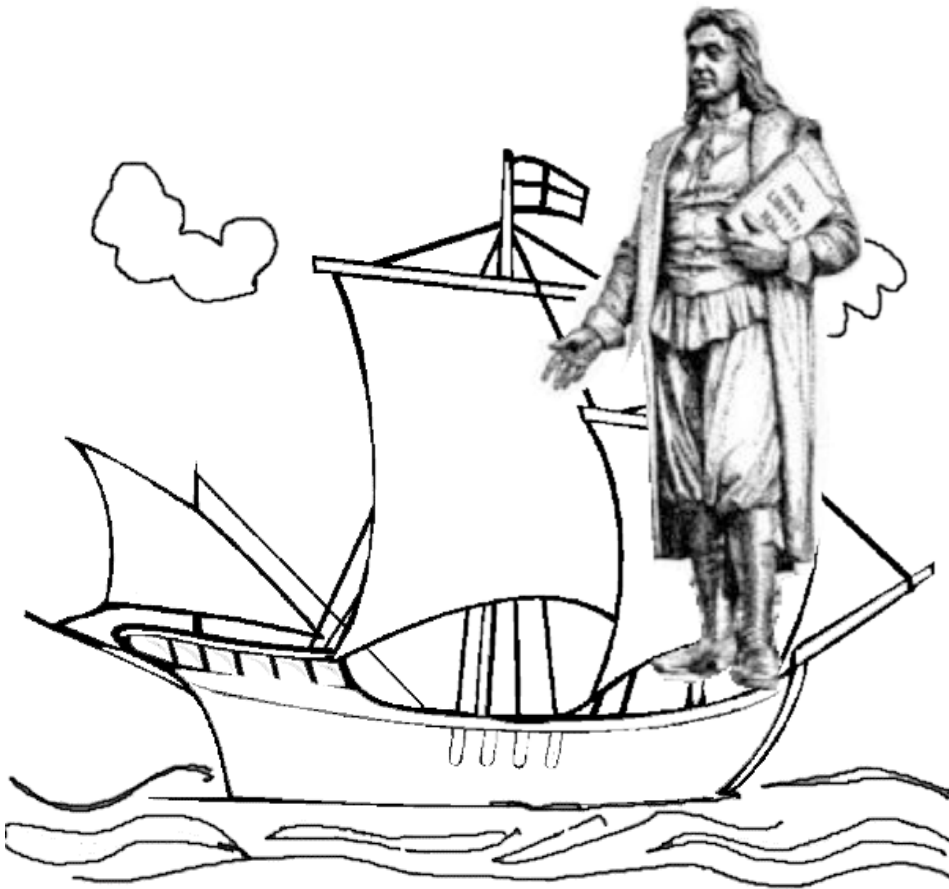
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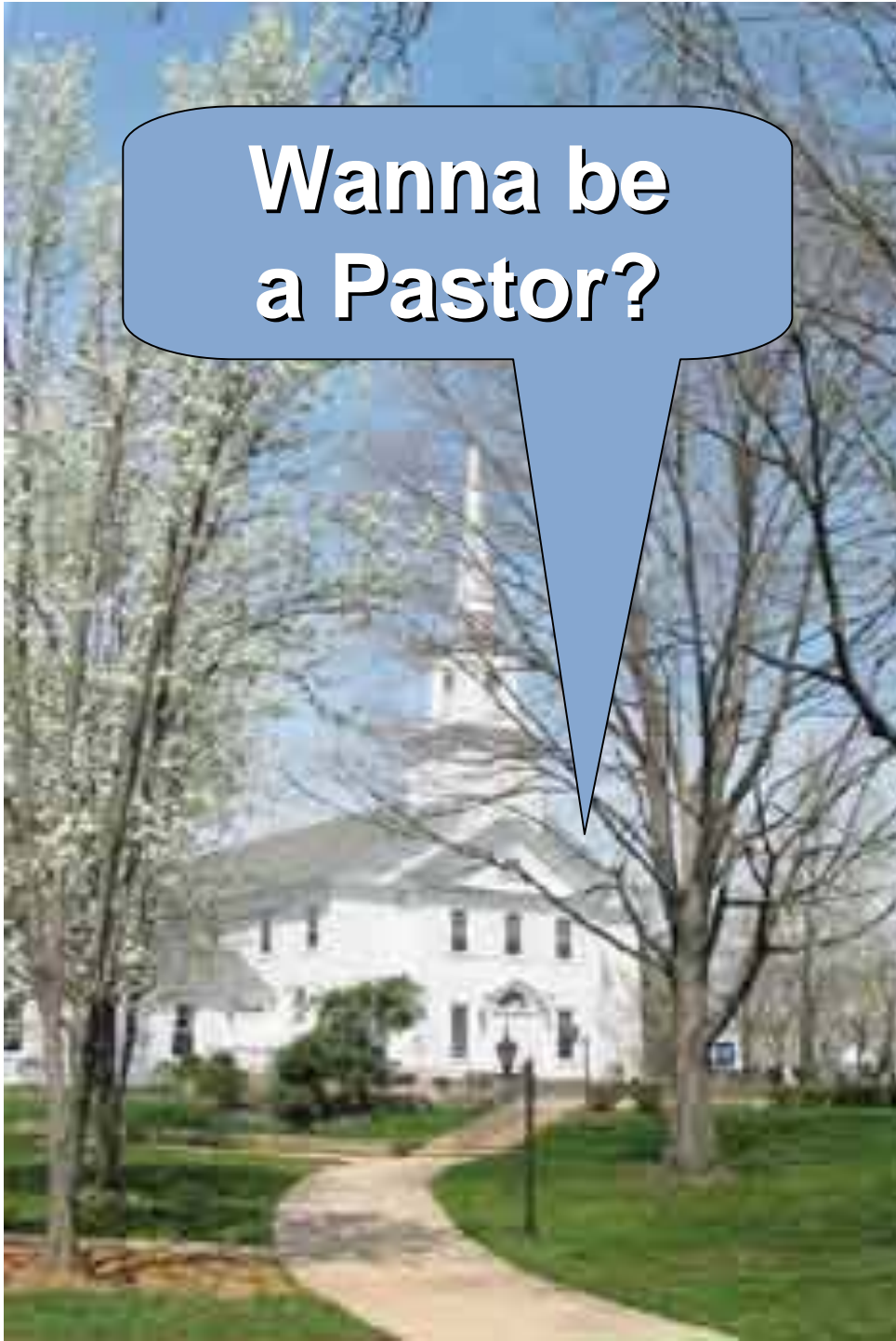
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**Williams fled
England in
1630 for
Boston**



**Wanna be
a Pastor?**



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**Not at Satan's
Church**





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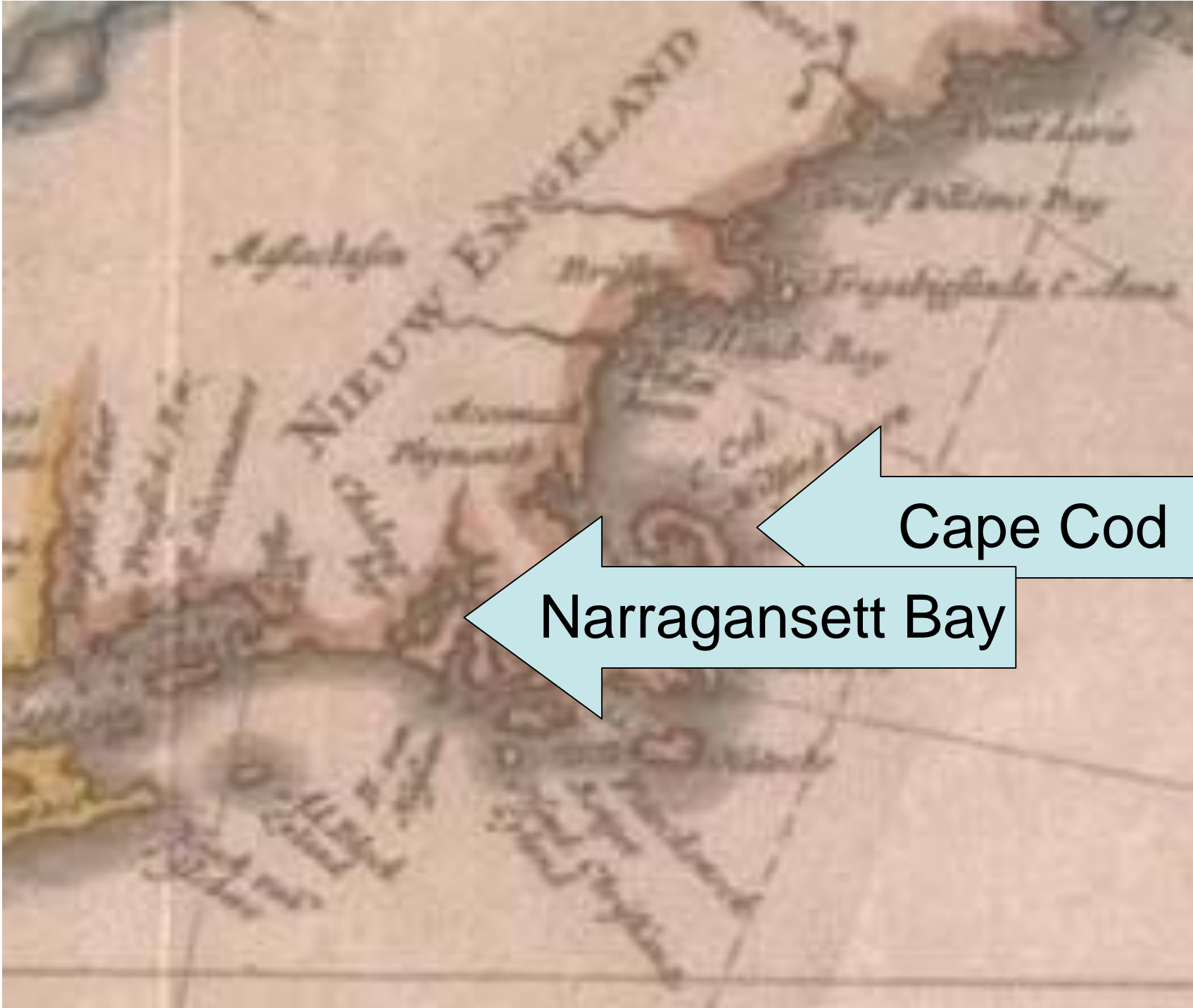
Williams
picks up the
Indian
language
while working
in Plymouth

Williams later buys land from the Indians around Narragansett Bay





Cape Cod



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Narragansett Bay



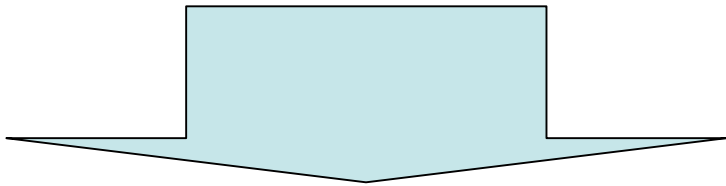
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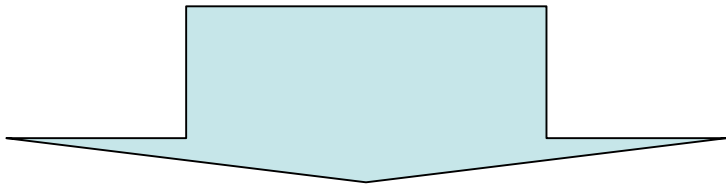
Is the religion of Jesus Christ so poor and so weak and so feebly grown, so cowardly and base, that neither the soldiers nor commanders in Christ's army have any courage or skill to withstand sufficiently in all points a false teacher, a false prophet, a spiritual cheater or deceiver?



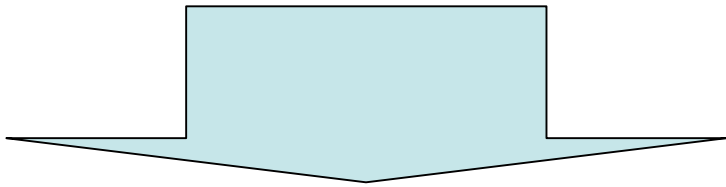
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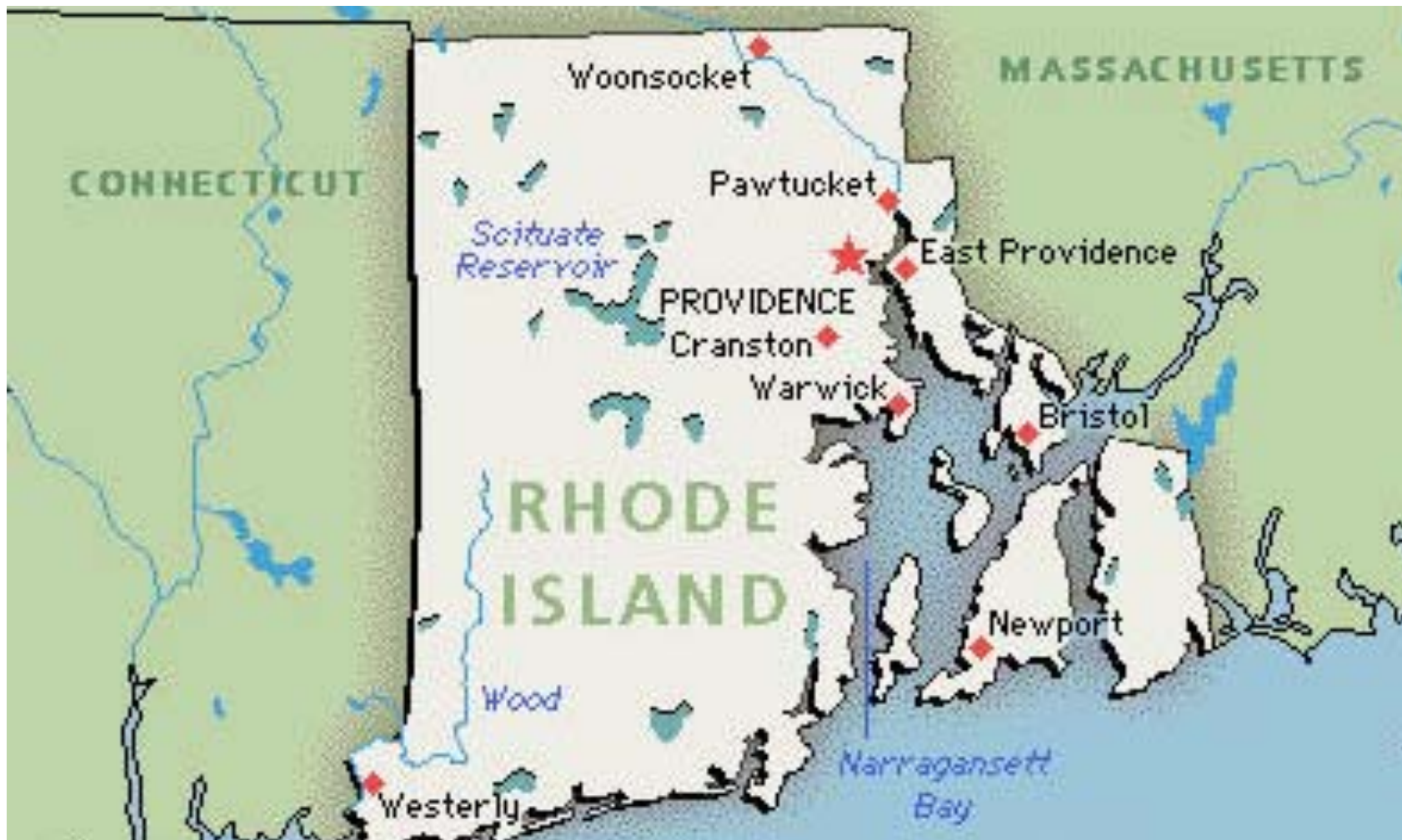


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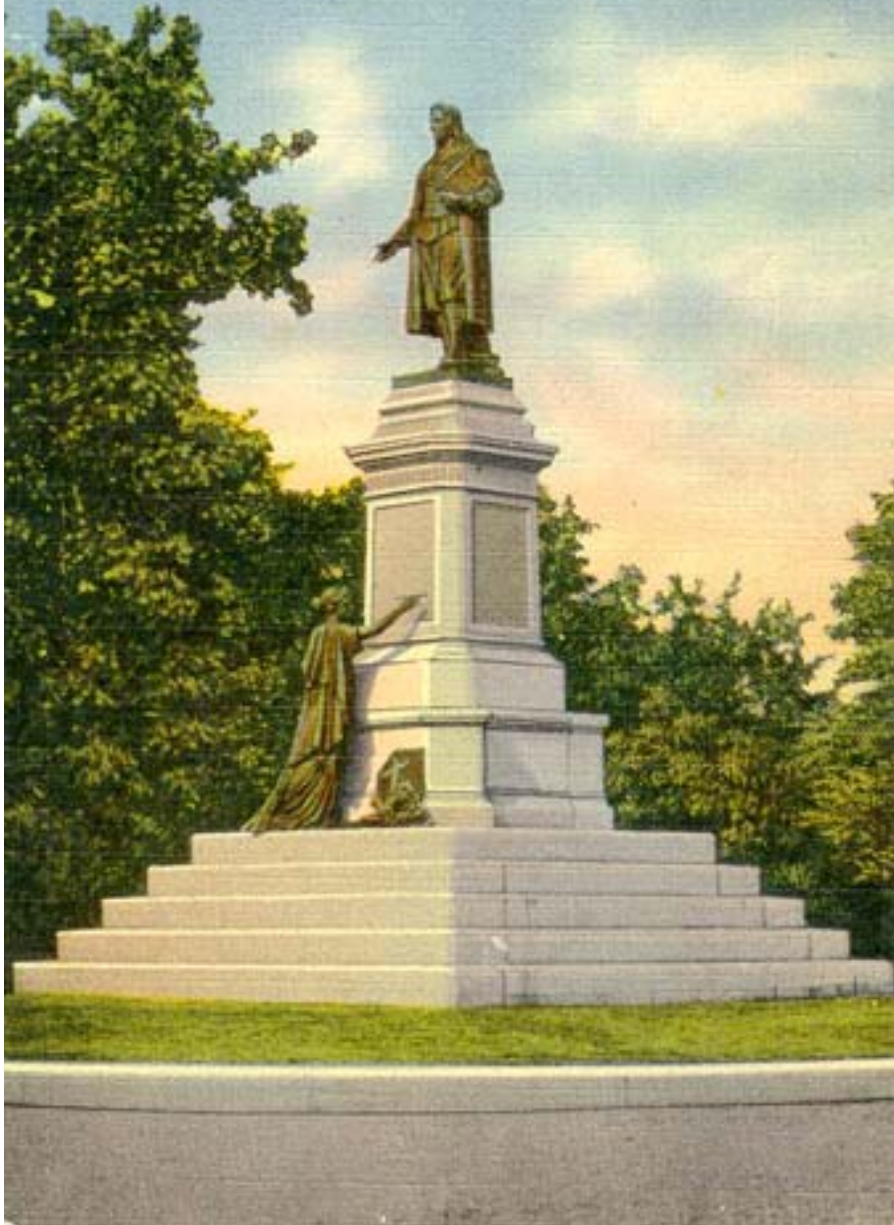
William's town takes the name
Providence and his territory
becomes Rhode Island





The Ivy League
School started
by Baptists in
the Northeast?

Statue of Roger Williams "Founder of Providence",
Roger Williams Park, Providence, R. I.



Williams dies
away from
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place in history
is secure

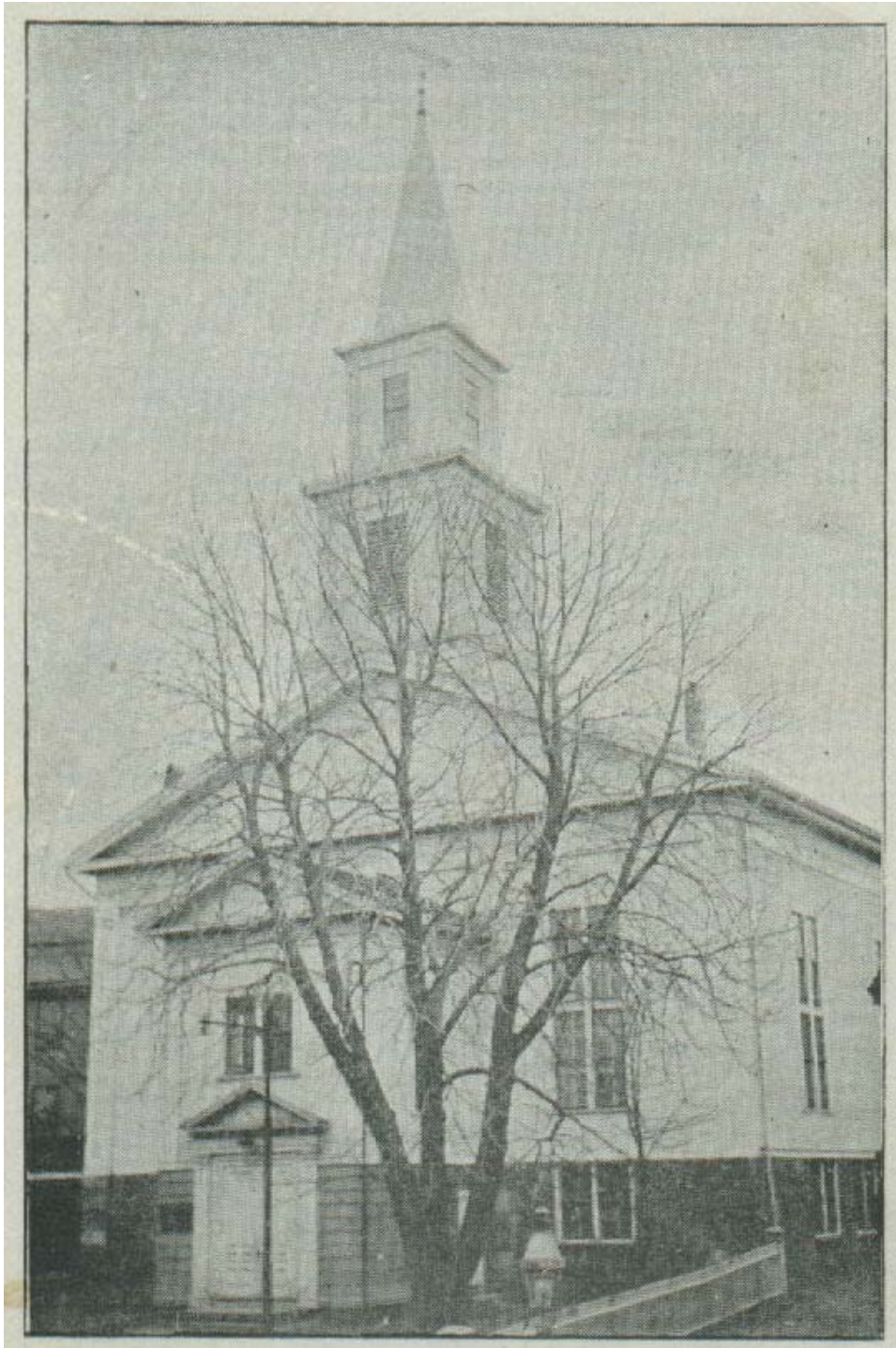


Nelson Rockefeller

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John Clarke
was another
who found
trouble in
Massachusetts



Clarke started
the Baptist
Church in
Newport
around 1640
to 1645



Henry Dunster and Massachusetts



Dunster leaves
his job and
eventually
Massachusetts

Fast forward 100 years ...



Fast forward 100 years ...
a “Baptist tax!”





In Virginia, the
Baptists are
organized



The Constitution

We the People

of the United States, in Order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquility, provide for the common Defence, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this CONSTITUTION for the United States of America.

Article I.

SECTION 1. All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

SECTION 2. The House of Representatives shall be composed of Members chosen every second Year by the People of the several States, and the Electors in each State shall have the Qualifications requisite for Electors of the most numerous Branch of the State Legislature.

No Person shall be a Representative who shall not have attained to the Age of twenty-five Years, and been seven Years a Citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be an Inhabitant of that State in which he shall be chosen.

[Representatives and direct Taxes shall be apportioned among the several States which may be included within this Union, according to their respective Numbers, which shall be determined by adding to the whole Number of free Persons, including those bound to Service for a Term of Years, and excluding Indians not taxed, three fifths of all other Persons.] The actual Enumeration shall be made within three Years after the first Meeting of the Congress of the United States, and within every subsequent Term of ten Years, in such Manner as they shall by Law direct. The Number of Representatives shall not exceed one for every thirty Thousand, but each State shall have at Least one Representative; and until such enumeration shall be made, the State of New Hampshire shall be entitled to chuse three, Massachusetts eight, Rhode-Island and Providence Plantations one, Connecticut five, New-York six, New Jersey four, Pennsylvania eight, Delaware one, Maryland six, Virginia ten, North Carolina five, South Carolina five, and Georgia three.

When Vacancies happen in the Representation from any State, the Executive Authority thereof shall issue Writs of Election to fill such Vacancies.

The House of Representatives shall chuse their Speaker and other Officers; and shall have the sole Power of Impeachment.

SECTION 3. The Senate of the United States shall be composed of two Senators from each State, chosen by the Legislature thereof, for six Years; and each Senator shall have one Vote.

Immediately after the first Meeting of the Senate, they shall be divided as equally as may be into three Classes. The Seats of the Senators of the first Class shall be vacated at the Expiration of the first Year, of the second Class at the Expiration of the second Year, and of the third Class at the Expiration of the third Year, so that one third may be chosen every second Year; but when there shall be any Vacancies in the Senate, the Executive of any State, the Executive thereof may make temporary Appointments until the next Meeting of the Legislature, which shall then fill such Vacancies.

No Person shall be a Senator who shall not have attained to the Age of thirty Years, and been nine Years a Citizen of the United States, and who shall not, when elected, be an Inhabitant of that State in which he shall be chosen.

The Vice President of the United States shall be chosen by the Electors in such Manner as they shall by Law direct.

The Senate shall chuse their President and other Officers, and also a President pro tempore, in the Absence of the Vice President, or when he shall exercise the Office of President of the United States.

The Senate shall have the sole Power to try all Impeachments. When sitting for that Purpose, they shall be on Oath or Affirmation. When the President of the United States is tried, the Chief Justice shall preside: And no Person shall be convicted without the Concurrence of two thirds of the Members present.

Judgment in Cases of Impeachment shall not extend further than to removal from Office, and disqualification to hold and enjoy any Office of honor, Trust or Profit under the United States: but the Party convicted shall nevertheless be liable and subject to Indictment, Trial, Judgment and Punishment, according to Law.

The Baptist John Leland gets us a Constitution!



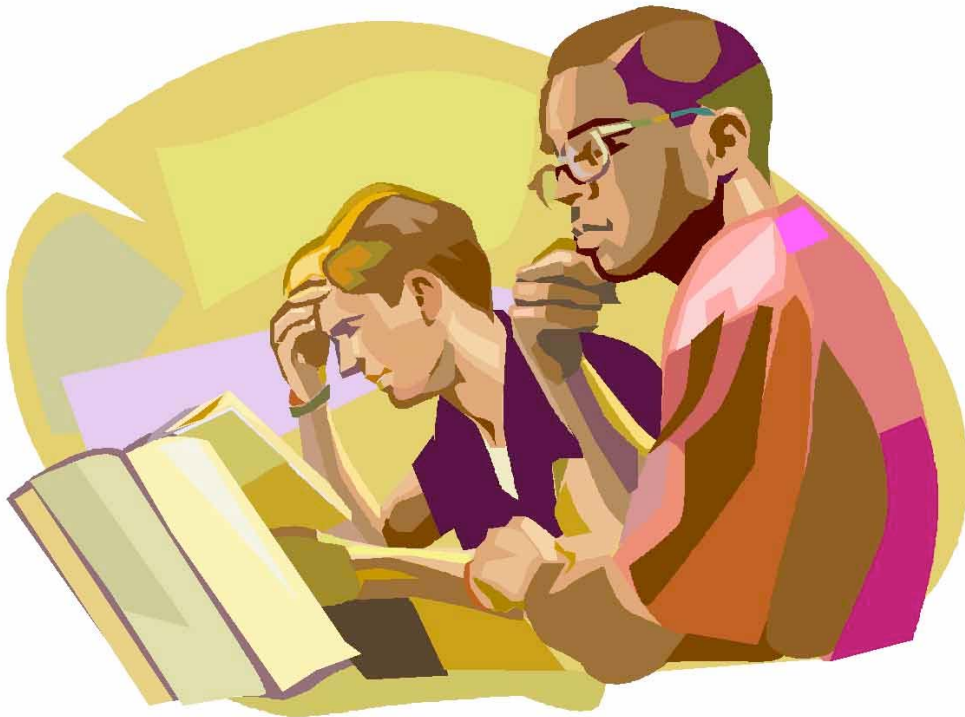
Then the
Baptists get us
the First
Amendment!

Points for Home:

Study!

“Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.”

2 Tim. 2:15



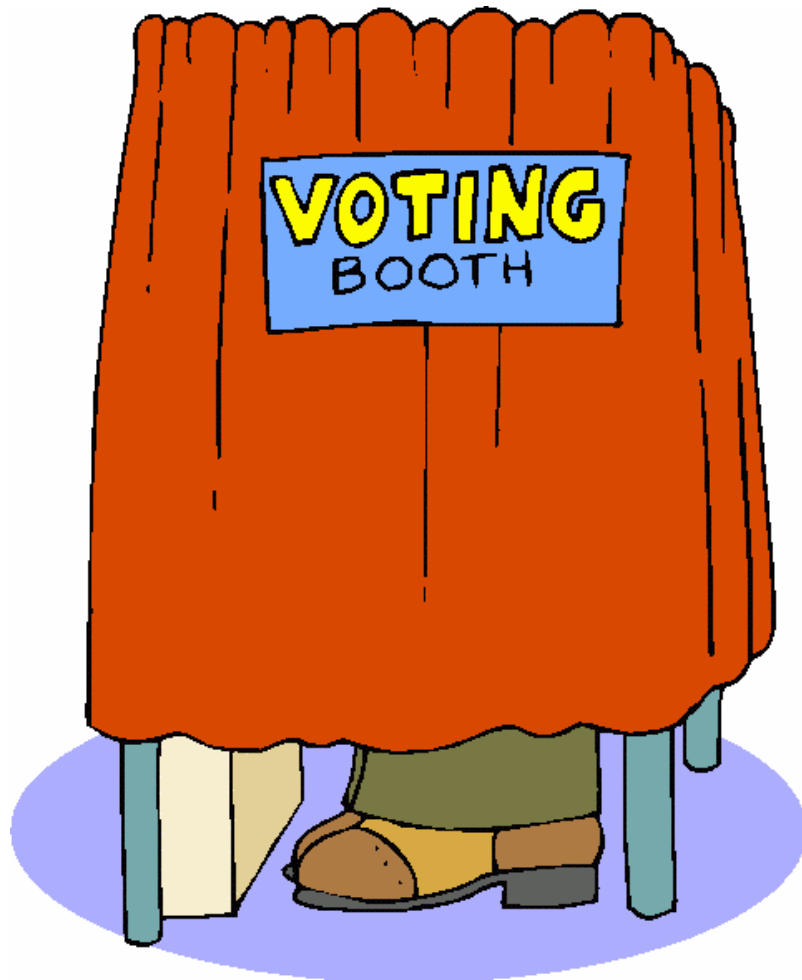
Points for Home:



Find heroes of the faith

“Join with others in following my example, brothers, and take note of those who live according to the pattern we gave you.” Phil. 3:15

Points for Home:



Take seriously
our role in our
democracy

“From everyone who has been given much, much will be demanded; and from the one who has been entrusted with much, much more will be asked..” Luke 12:48