

Church History Literacy

John Calvin Part 2

Lesson 59

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Growing Literacy Brought the Laity in Conflict with the Church



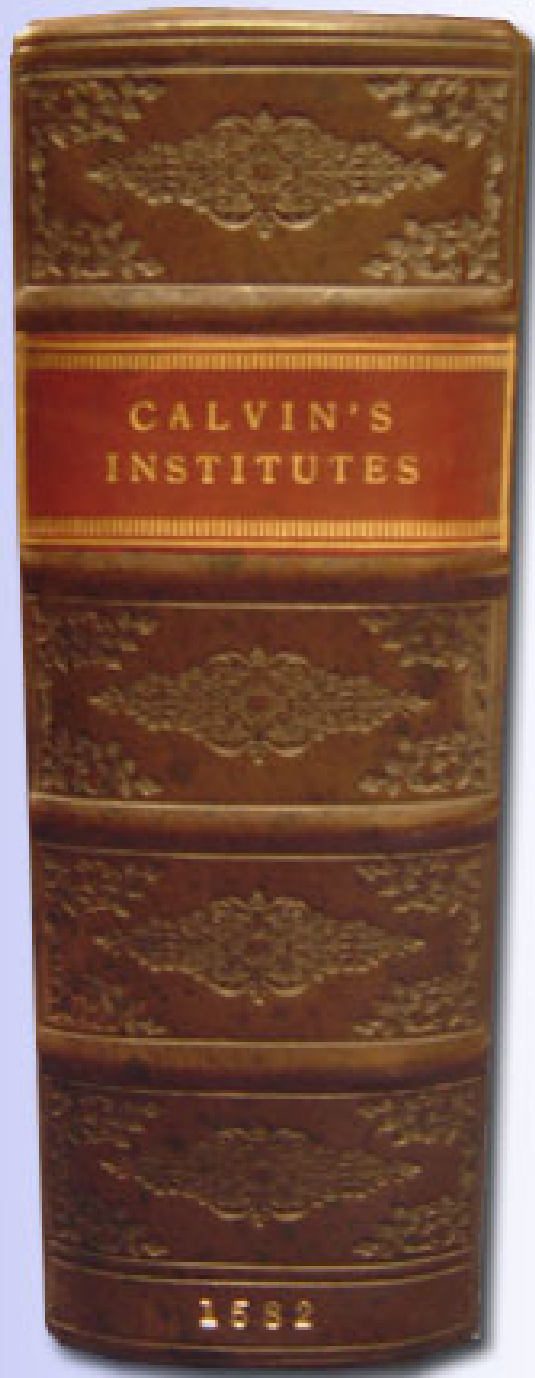
The Church Splinters in the “Holy Roman Empire”

Geneva, Switzerland 1500's



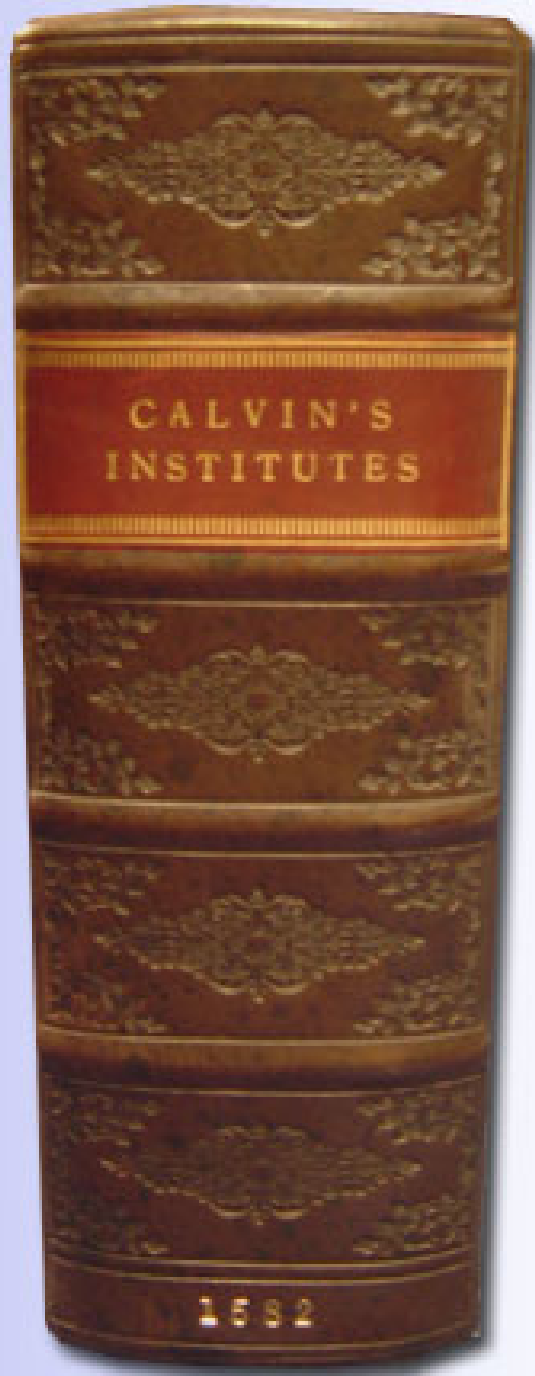


Calvin
Publishes his
Institutes



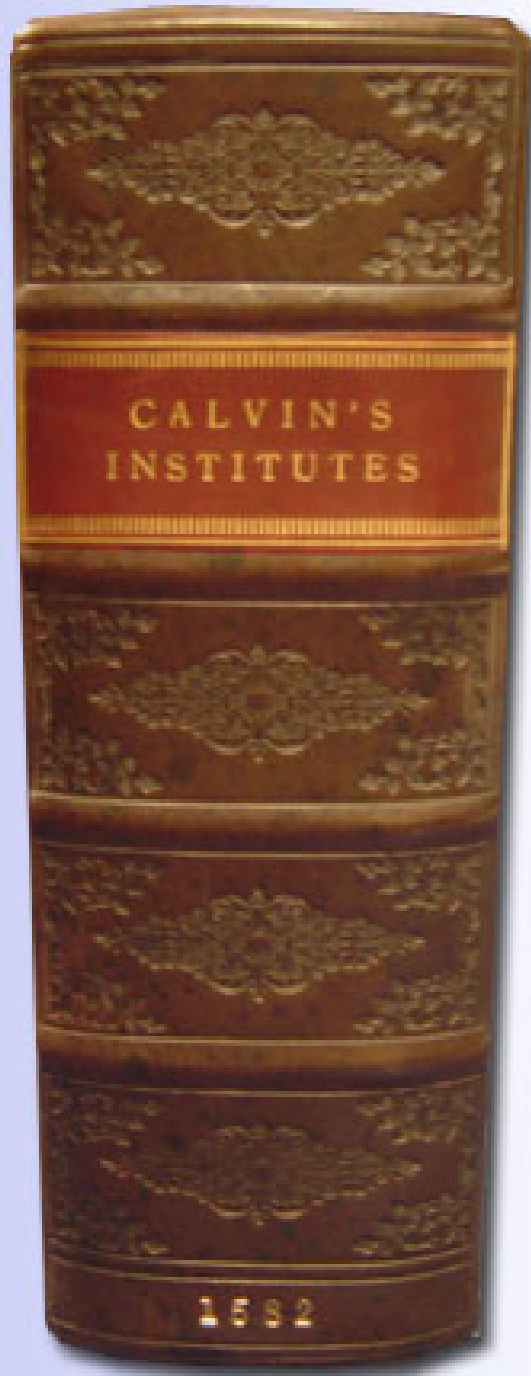
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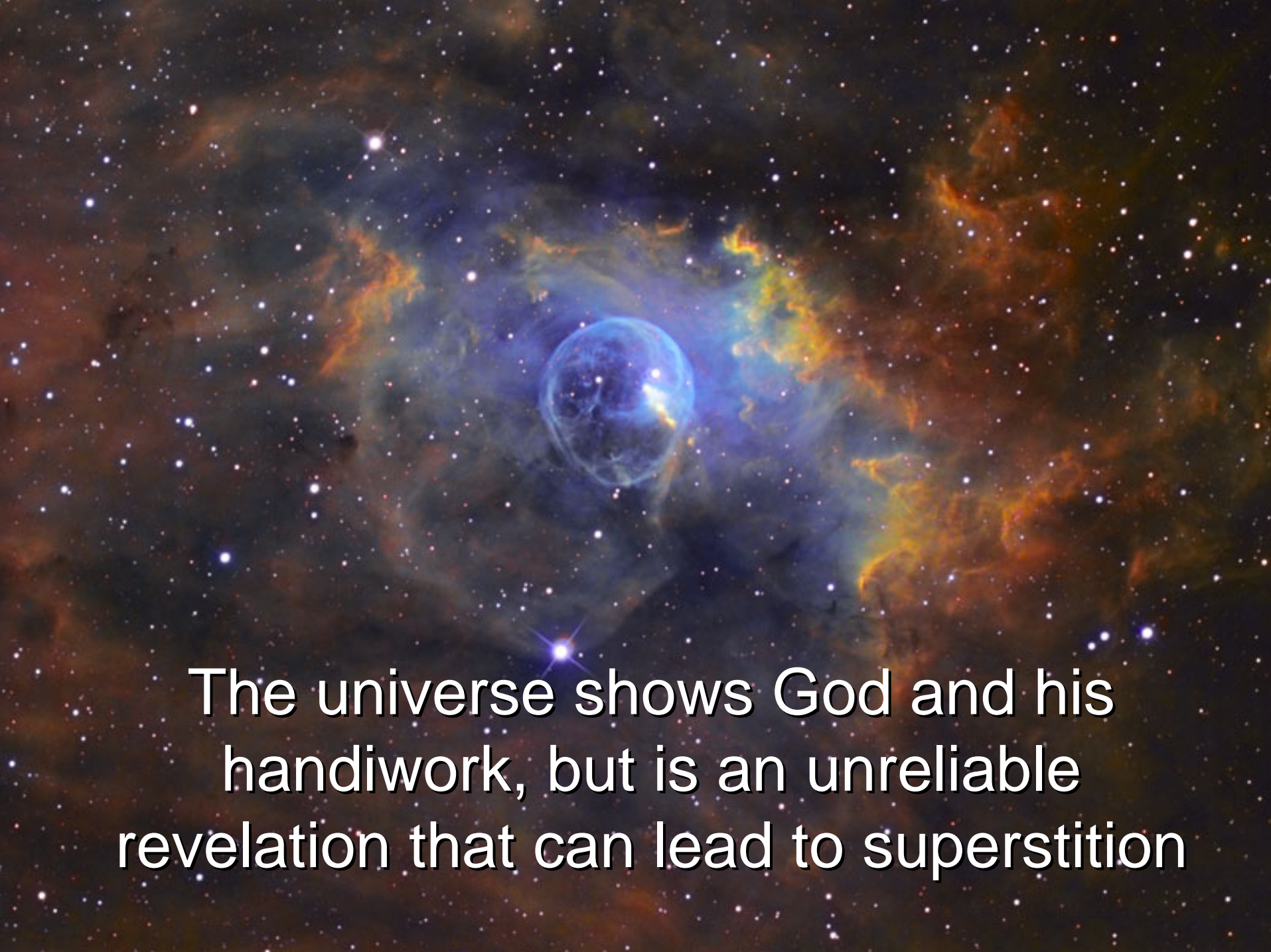


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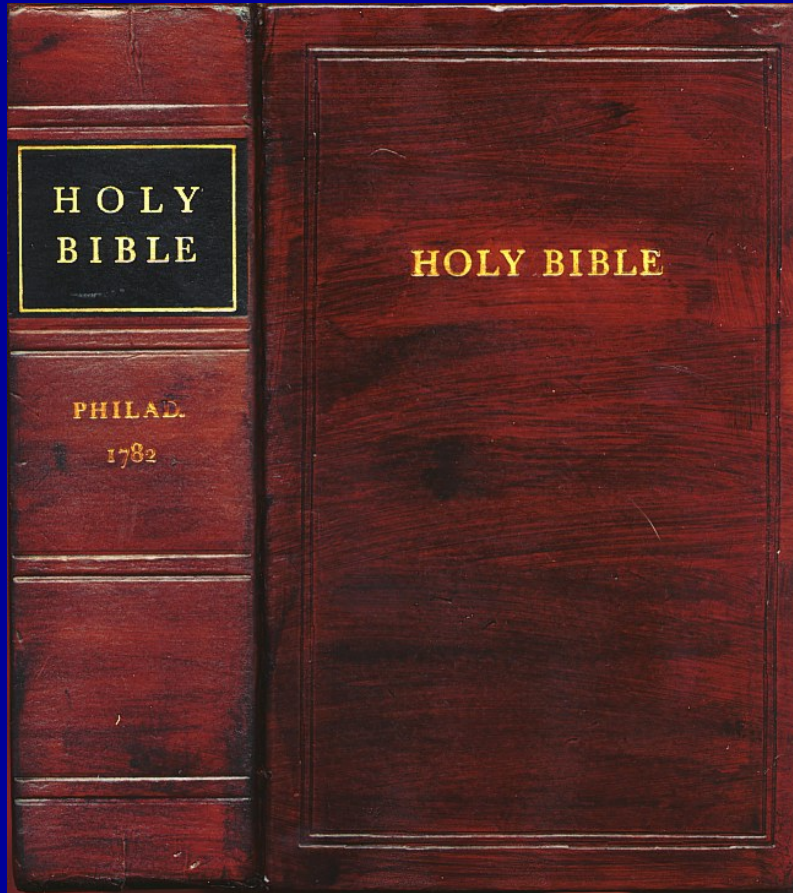
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Who are we?
How do we
know?



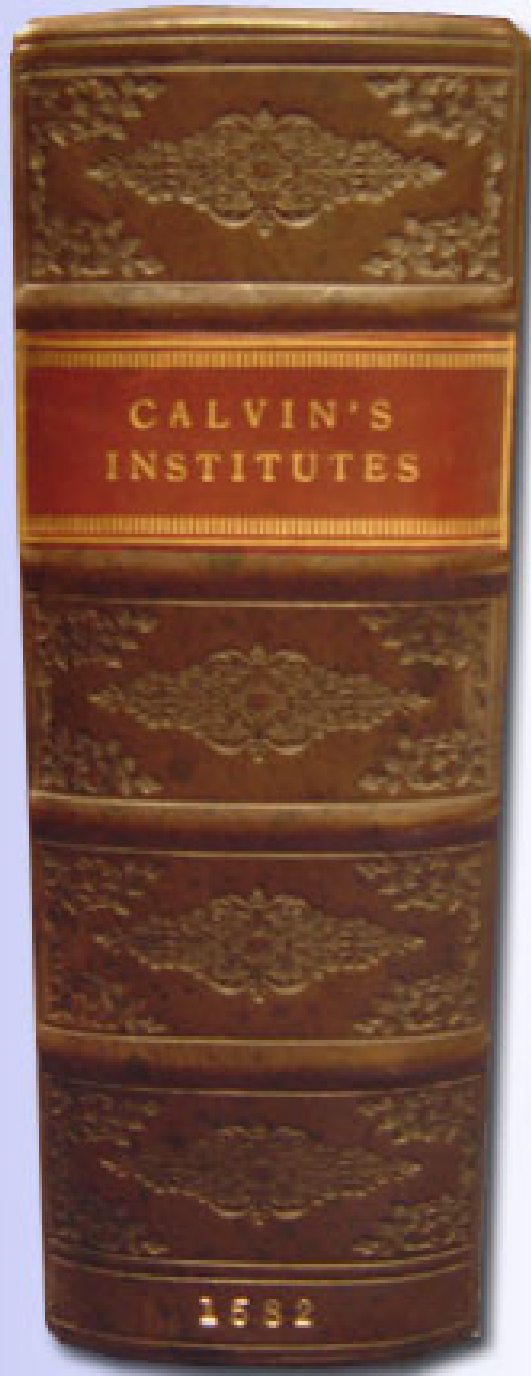
The Evidence
of God is
within
and without

A vibrant nebula with a glowing blue sphere in the center, set against a starry cosmic background. The nebula features swirling patterns of blue, orange, and yellow light. The central sphere is bright blue with some internal structure. The background is a dark field of stars of various colors and sizes.

The universe shows God and his
handiwork, but is an unreliable
revelation that can lead to superstition

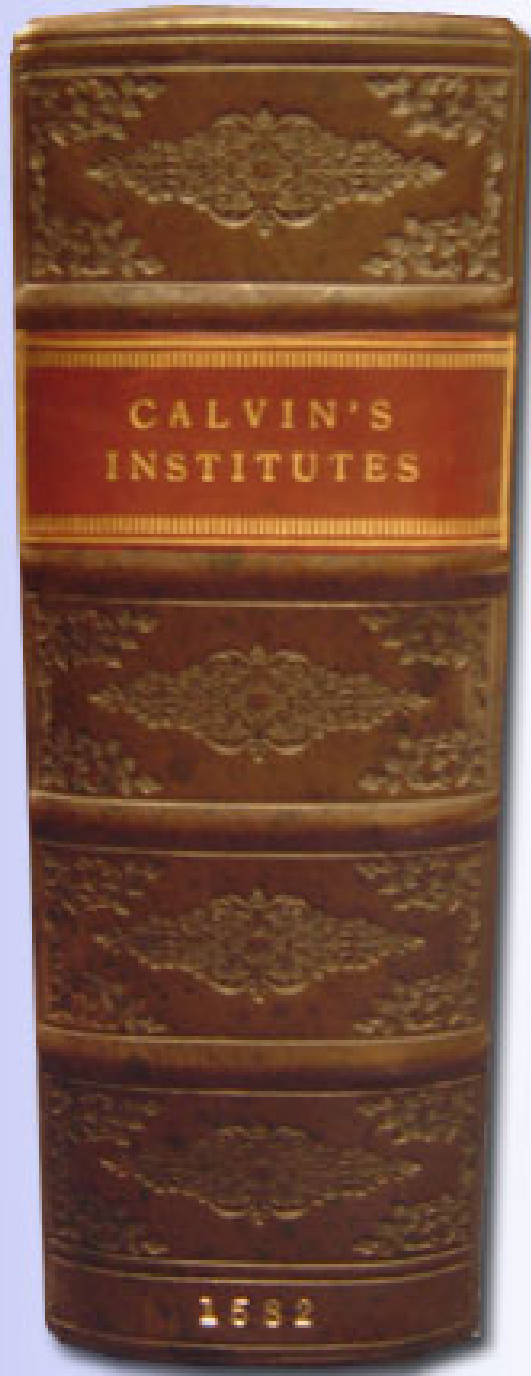


Accurate
knowledge of
God needs
revelation



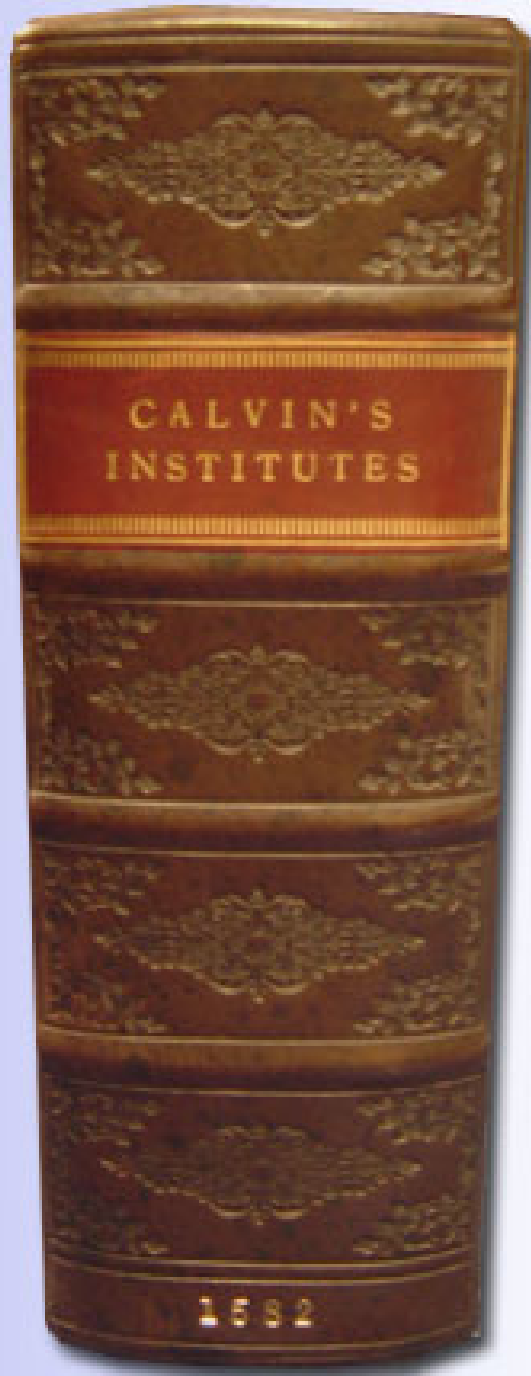
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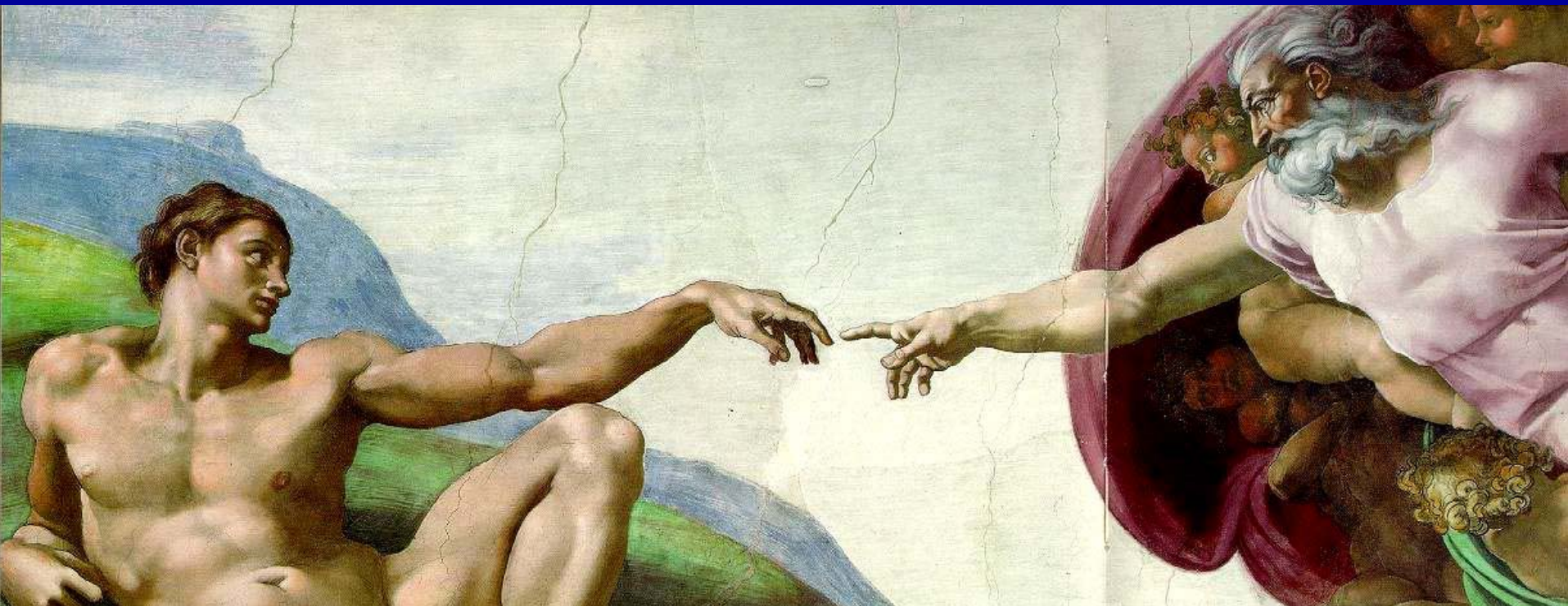
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Why the Bible?



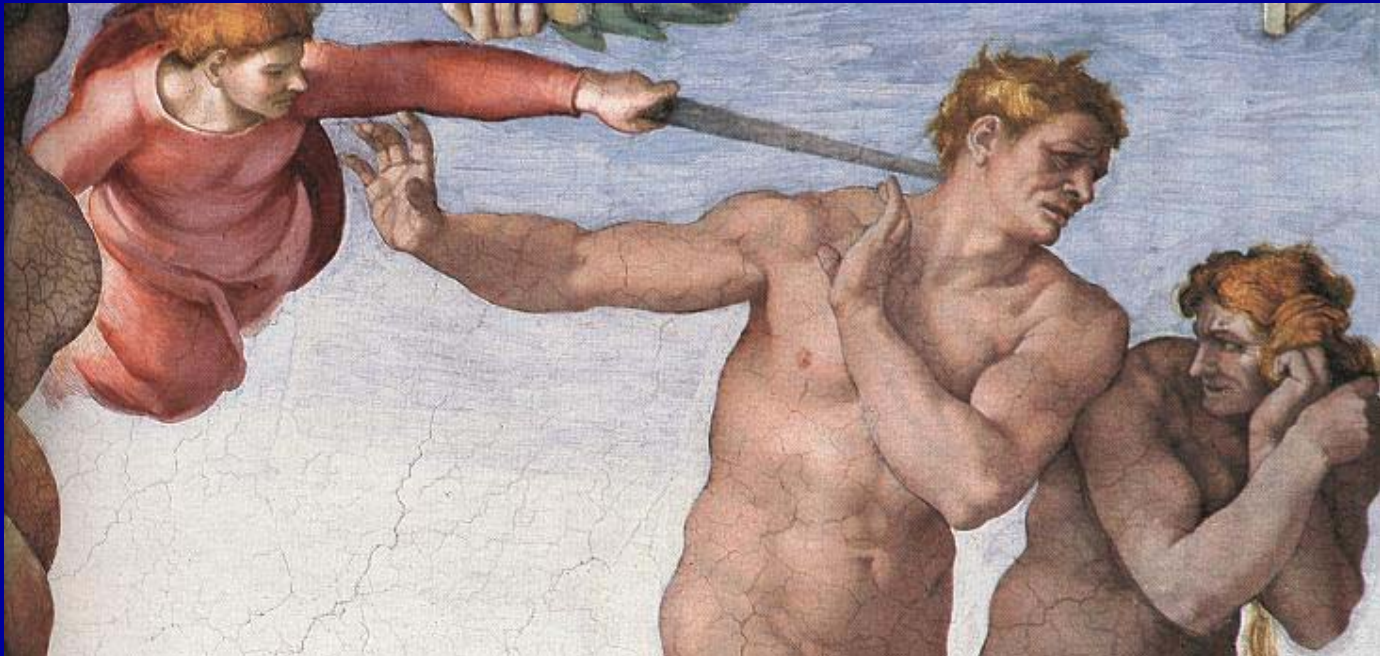
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What
happened?
Why the Bible?
Why Jesus?

Created man was perfect



Fallen man was a slave to sin





Slavery to sin
affected body
and soul (mind
and will power)



We are
morally
blinded



We are
blinded to
God

So God sent the law



So God sent the law



Primarily to lead us
to Christ

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(But also to
control society!)

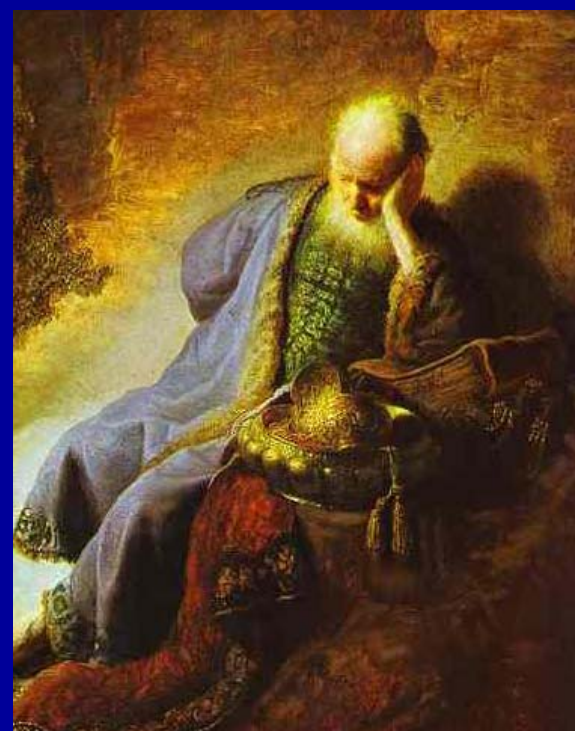
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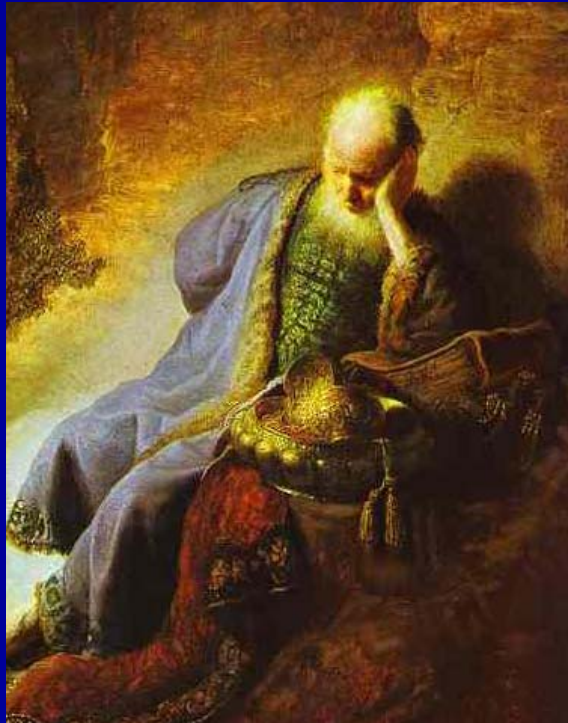


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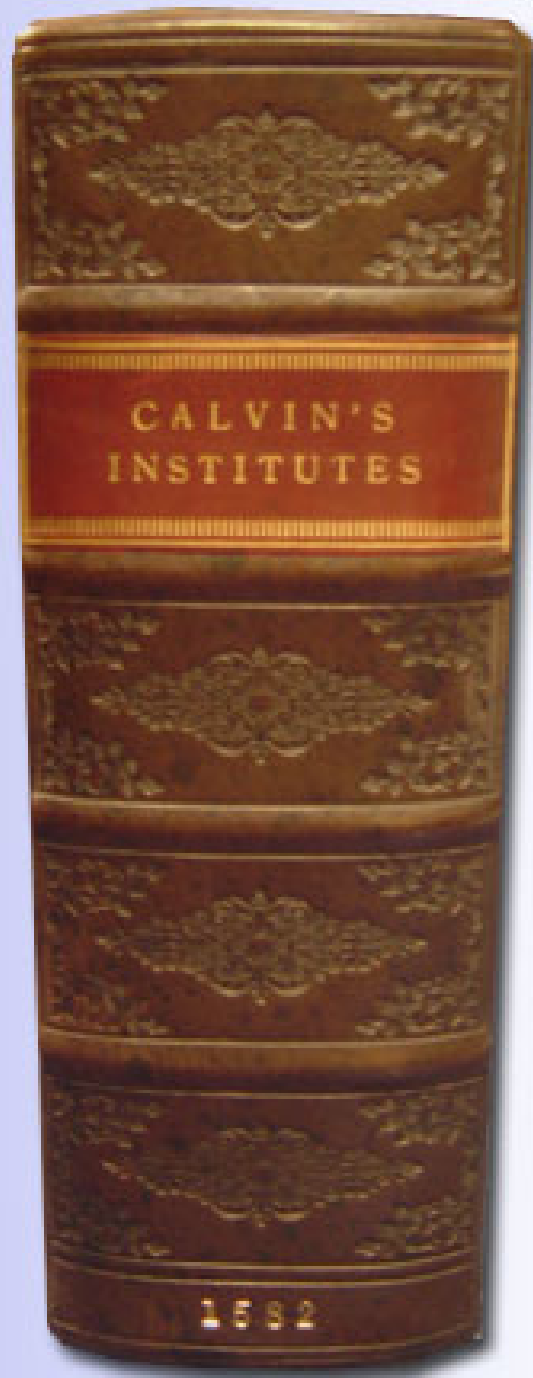
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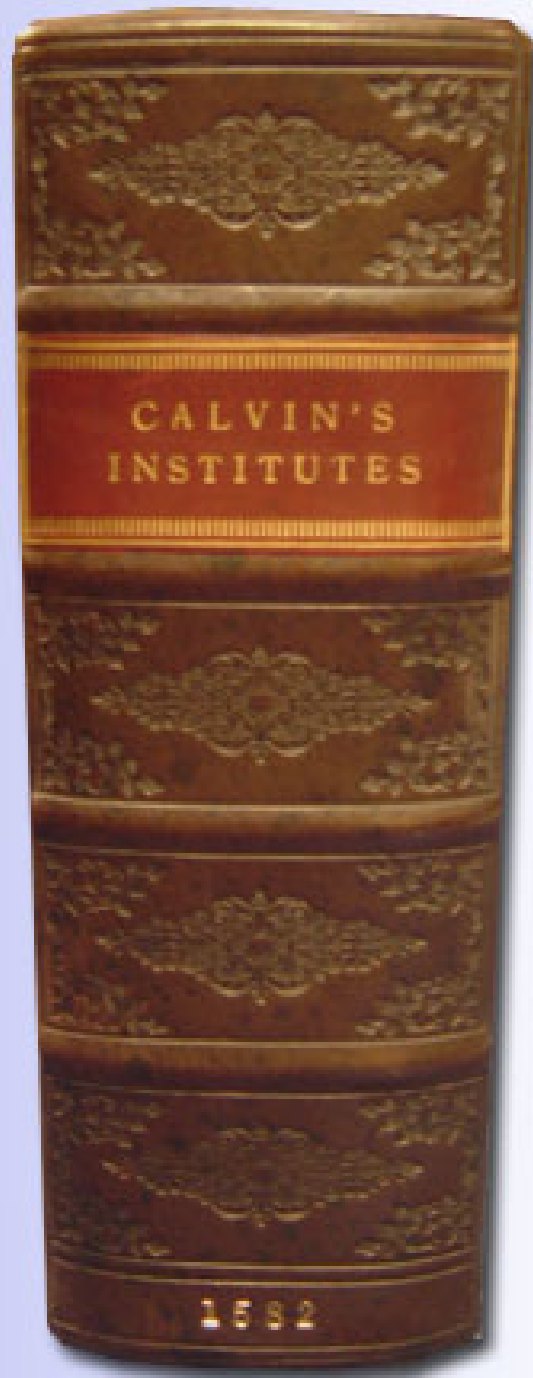


King - Over
heaven and
Hell



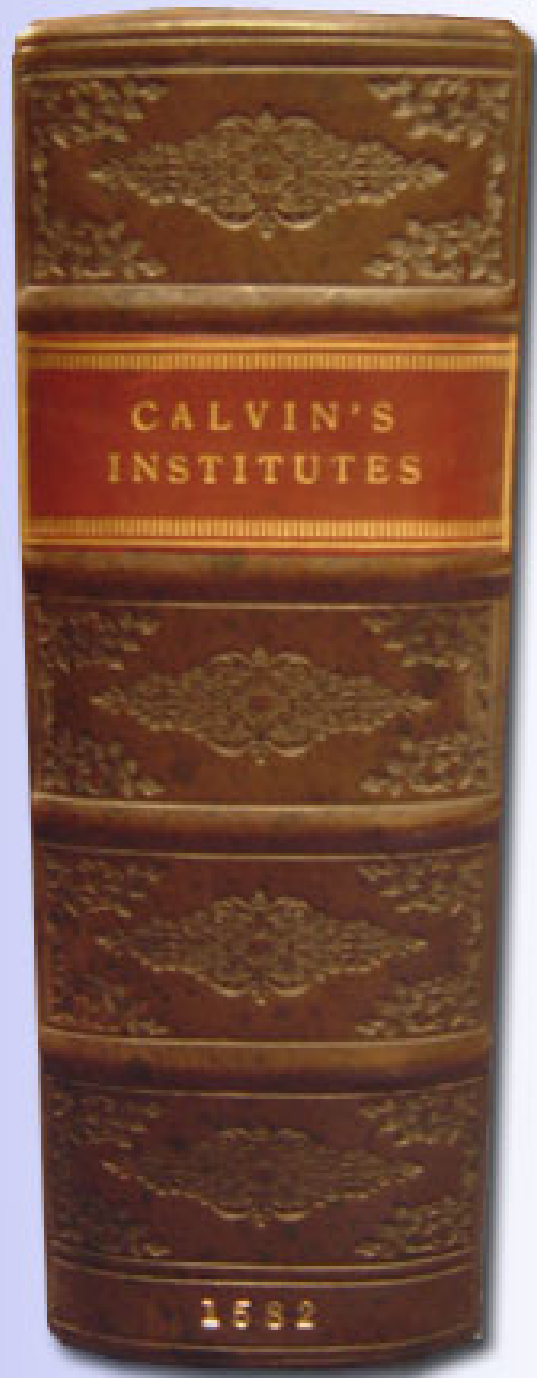
Book 3:

How do we
receive Christ?



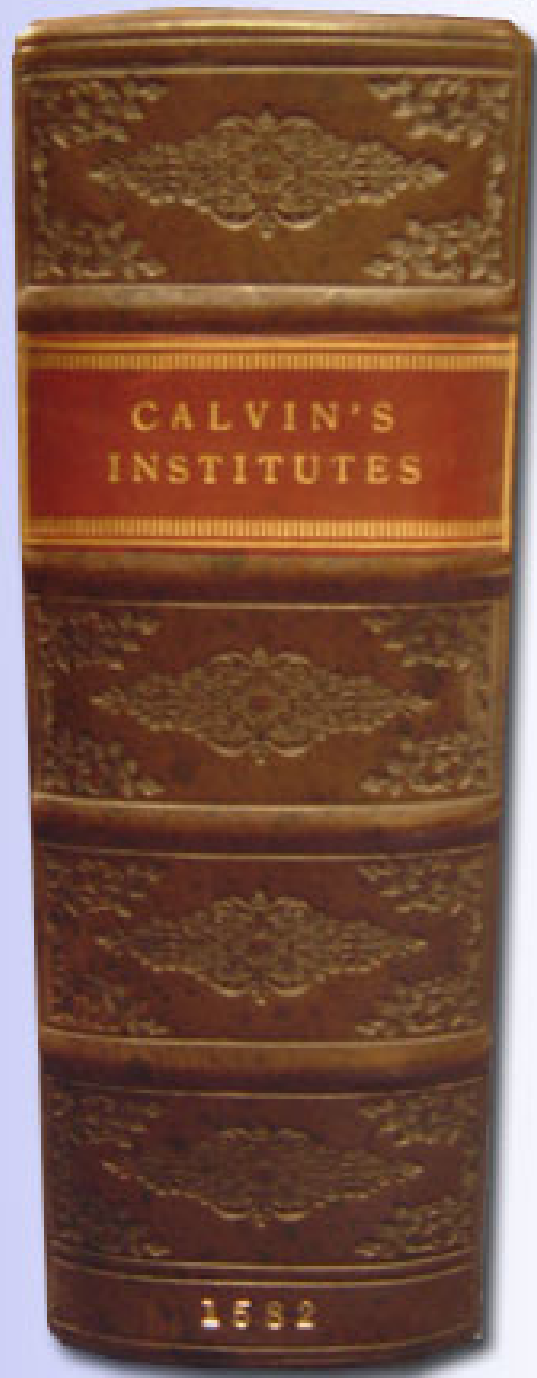
Book 3:

How should we
live?



Book 3:

What role does
prayer play?



Book 3:

Does God pick
his followers?

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“Faith” is an
“inward
embracing”
of God



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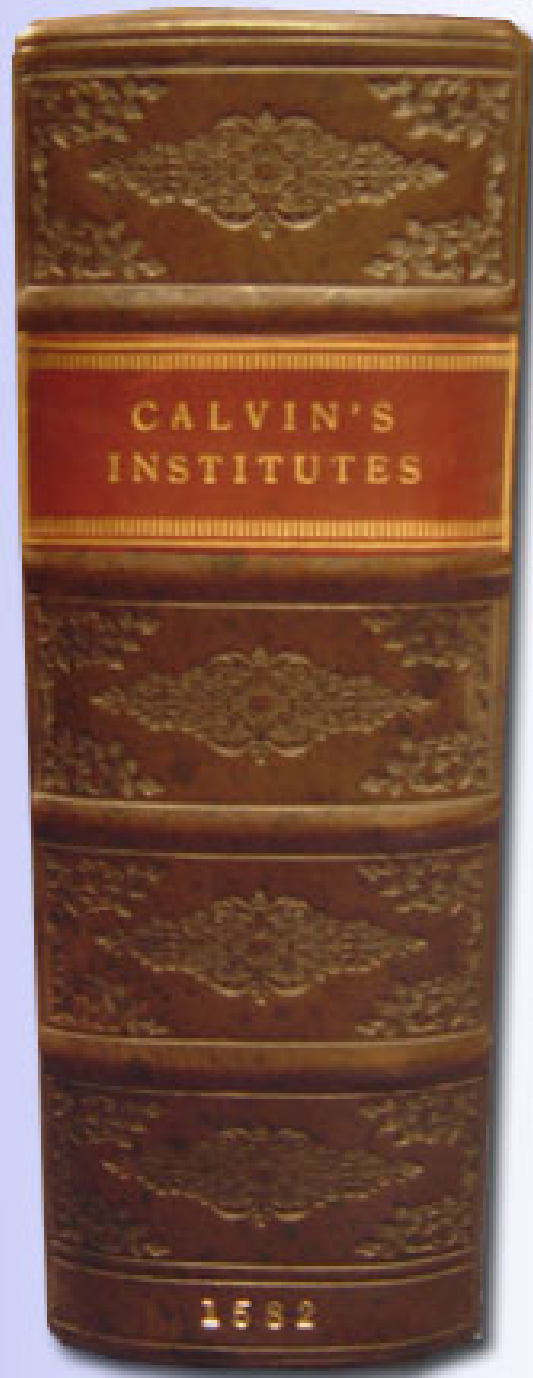
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leads to
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loving
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and prayer



Man's choice
or God's?



Book 4:

Issues of Church
and Structure

Points for Home

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4. Live confident that death is not the end, Christ has been raised and so shall we