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A Study of The Lords Church



Arnold of Brescia
c. 1090-1155



Balthazar Hubmaier
c. 1480-1528



Benjamin Keach
1640-1704



John Bunyan
c. 1628-1688



William Carey
1761-1884

Baptists

“We believe that the Baptists are the original Christians. We did not commence our existence at the Reformation; we were Reformers before Luther or Calvin were born. We never came from the Church of Rome, for we were never in it, but we have an unbroken line up to the apostles themselves. We have always existed from the very days of Christ, and our principles, sometimes veiled and forgotten, like a river which may travel underground for a little season, have always had honest and holy adherents. Persecuted alike by Romanists and Protestants of almost every sect, yet there has never existed a government holding Baptist principles which persecuted others; nor, I believe, any body of Baptists ever held it to be right to put the consciences of others under the control of man. We have ever been ready to suffer, as our martyrologies will prove, but we are not ready to accept any help from the state, to prostitute the purity of the bride of Christ to any alliance with the government, and we will never make the church, although the queen, the despot over the consciences of men.”

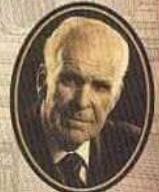
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Adoniram Judson
1788-1850



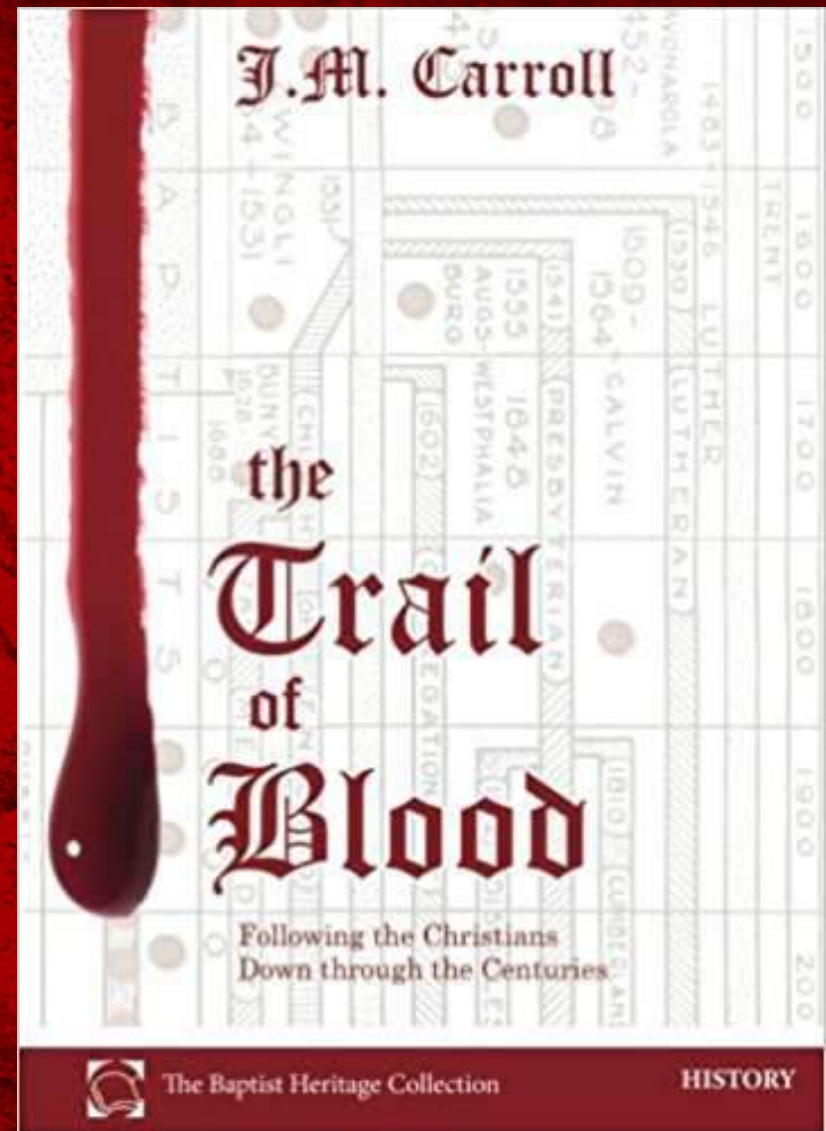
F. B. Meyer
1847-1929



Lee Roberson
1900-2000



The Trail of Blood



The Lords Church

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and upon this rock I will build my church;
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

-Matthew 16:18

And I say also unto thee, That thou art Πέτρος,
and upon this τῇ πέτρᾳ I will build my church;
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“Nothing can be more wrong than to suppose that Christ meant the person of Peter was the rock. Without doubt Christ himself is the Rock, the tried foundation of the church; and woe to him that attempts to lay any other!”

-Matthew Henry

And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual
Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.
(Petra) (Petra) -I Corinthians 10:4

For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ
-I Corinthians 3:11

And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ
himself being the chief corner *stone*;
-Ephesians 2:20

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(Hades)

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And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter,
and upon this rock I will build my ἐκκλησίαν ;
and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

-Matthew 16:18

And the whole city was filled with confusion: and having caught Gaius and Aris-
men of Macedonia, Paul's companions in travel, they rushed with one accord in
And when Paul would have entered in unto the people, the disciples suffered
And certain of the chief of Asia, which were his friends, sent unto him, desiring
him that he would not adventure himself into the theatre.

Some therefore cried one thing, and some another: for the assembly
(Ekklesia)
and the more part knew not wherefore they were come together.

-Acts 19:29-32

But if ye enquire any thing concerning other matters, it shall be determined in a lawful **assembly.**

(Ekklesia)

For we are in danger to be called in question for this day's uproar, there being no cause whereby we may give an account of this concourse.

And when he had thus spoken, he dismissed the **assembly.**

(Ekklesia)

-Acts 19:39-41

King James Translation Rules

3. The Old Ecclesiastical Words to be kept, viz.
the Word Church not to be translated Congregation &c.

Ekklesia

Greek new testament = 115 times

Translated Church = 112 times

Translated Assembly = 3 times

Jesus used the word = 22 times

Questionable to Local = 1 time

(Matthew 16:18)

And I say also unto thee, That thou art (a small stone),
and upon this (massive rock 'The Son of God')
I will build my (Local Assembly/ Congregation);
and (death or being unseen) shall not prevail against it.

-Matthew 16:18 (edite

Marks of a church

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Essential Marks

Intended Marks

Essential marks

1.) The Gospel

And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter,
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-Matthew 16:18

And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of he
and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound
and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loos

-Matthew 16:19

I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel: Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ. But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, if any man

For by grace are ye saved through faith;
and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:
Not of works, lest any man should boast.

-Ephesians 2:8&9

Essential marks

1.) The Gospel

2.) The Ordinances

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1.) Baptism

2.) Lords Supper

Baptism

- 1.) Proper Authority - Matthew 28:18-20
- 2.) Proper Subject- Acts 8:36-38
- 3.) Proper Meaning- Romans 6:4-5
- 4.) Proper Mode- John 3:23

Lords supper

1.) Memorial - 1 Corinthians 11:24-25

Marks of a church

Essential Marks

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- 1.) Discipline - Matthew 18: 15-17
- 2.) Love & Unity- Philippian 2:2
- 3.) Pillar of Truth- 1 Timothy 3:15
- 4.) Officers- Philippian 1:1
- 5.) Democracy- Acts 6:1-5
- 6.) Financial Plan- 2 Corinthians 9:7

Example of Errors

Lack of Discipline~	1 Corinthians 5:11-13
Division ~	1 Corinthians 1:10&11
False Gospels~	Galatians 1:6-9
Left First Love~	Revelation 2:4
False Teachers~	Revelation 2:14&15
Compromise~	Revelation 2:20
Dead in Works~	Revelation 3:1 & 2
Lukewarm~	Revelation 3:15

Warning of Errors

For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

-Matthew 24:24

Warning of Errors

For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heed to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables

-2 Timothy 4:3-4

Warning of Errors

For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

-Jude vrs 4

Warning of Errors

Acts 20:28-30

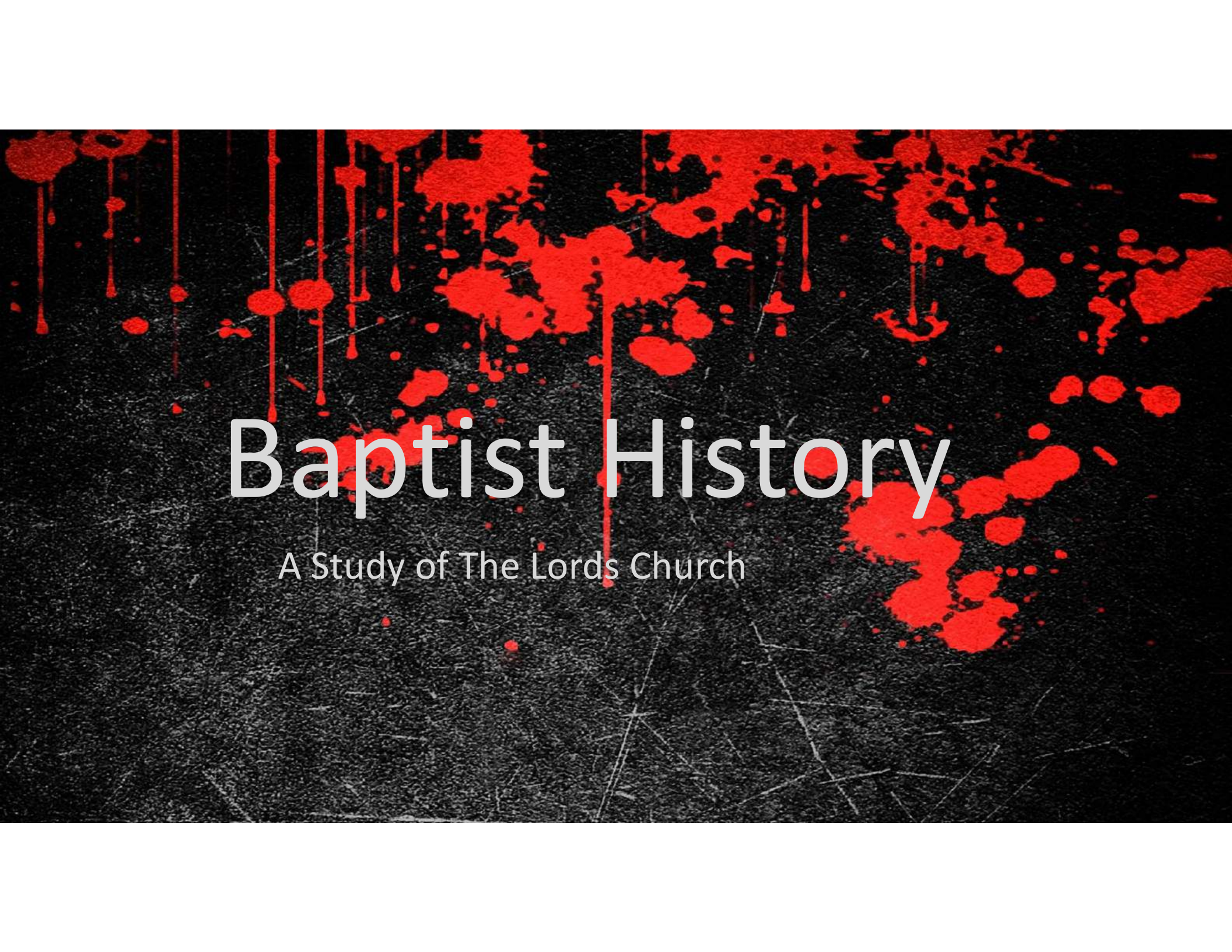






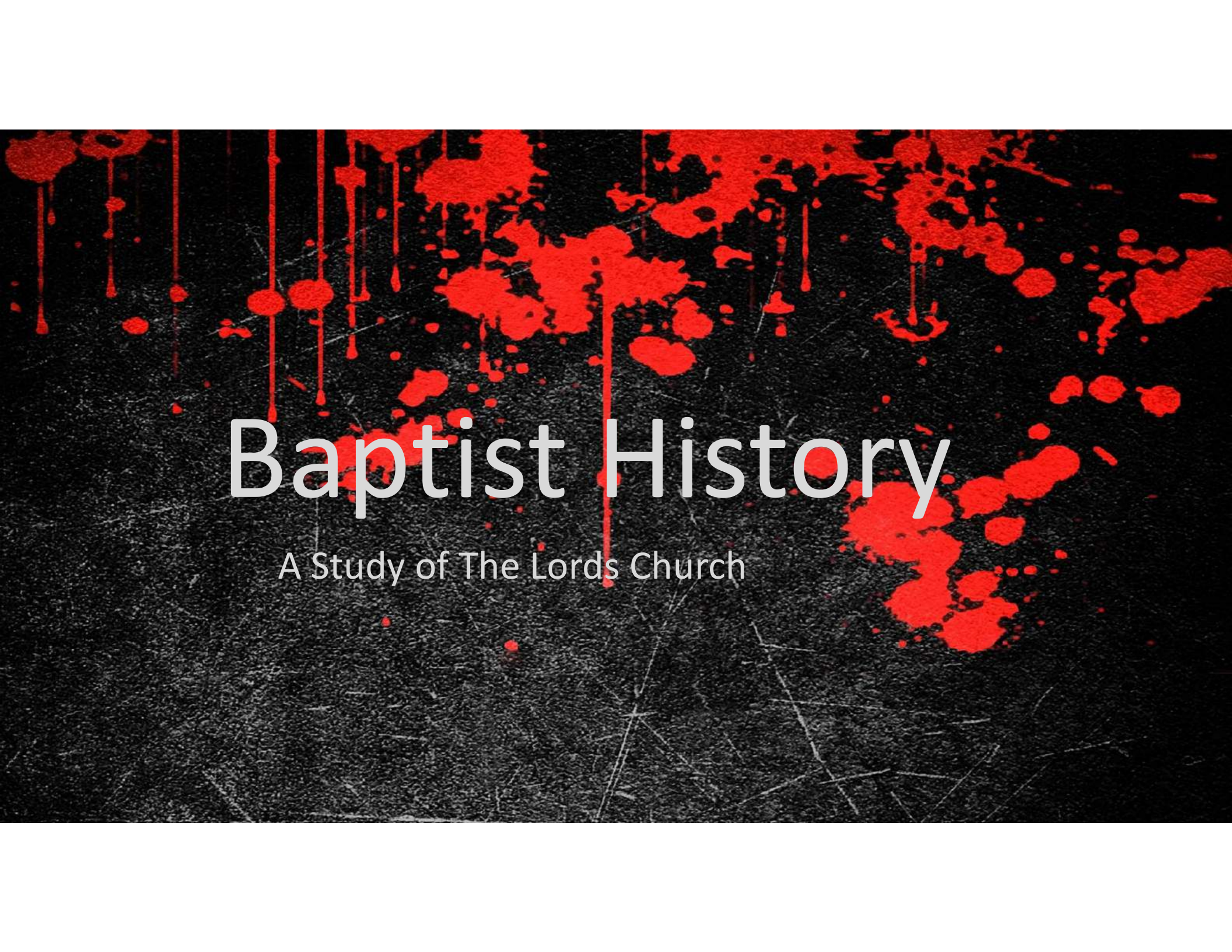




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The Roman Persecution

If the world hate you, ye know that
it hated me before it hated you.

-John 15:18

Early Christian Expansion

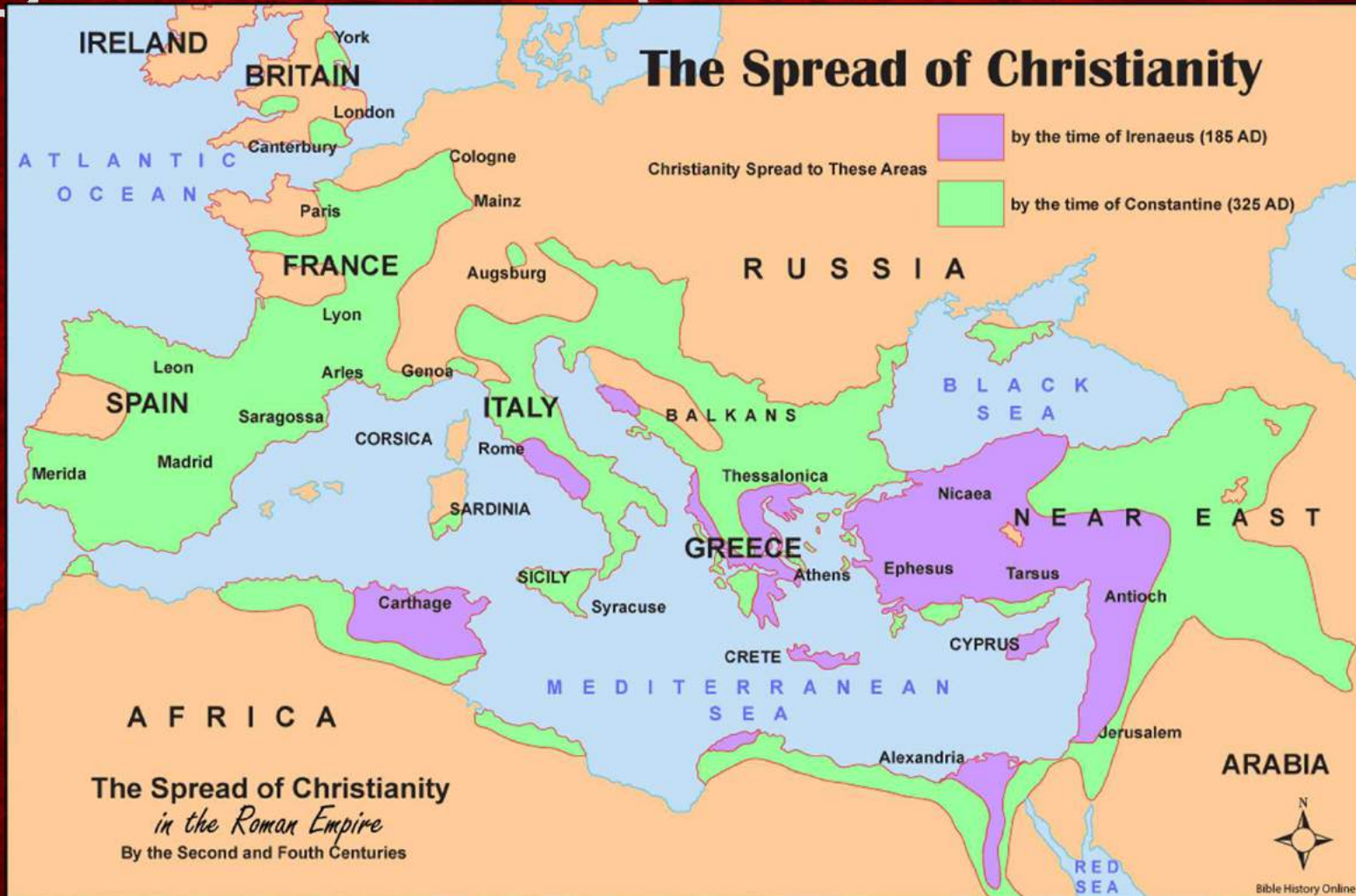
But **ye** shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

-Acts 1:8

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Early Christian Persecution

- 1.) Roman Protection
- 2.) Jewish Persecution

Then the high priest rose up, and all they that were with
(which is the sect of the Sadducees,) and were filled with
indignation,
And laid their hands on the apostles, and put them
in the common prison.

.....and when they had called the apostles, and beaten t
commanded that they should not speak in the name of
Jesus, and let them go.

-Acts 5:17-18 / 40

Then they cried out with a loud voice, and stopped their
and ran upon him with one accord,
And cast him out of the city, and stoned him: and the witnesses
laid down their clothes at a young man's feet, whose name was
And they stoned Stephen, calling upon God, and saying,
Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.

-Acts 7:57-59

And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria, except the apostles.

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And after that many days were fulfilled, the Jews took counsel to kill him:

But their laying await was known of Saul. And they watched the gates day and night to kill him

-Acts 9:23&24

Now about that time Herod the king stretched forth his hand to vex certain of the church.

And he killed James the brother of John with the sword.

And because he saw it pleased the Jews, he proceeded further to take Peter also. (Then were the days of unleavened bread.)

And when he had apprehended him, he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him.

Intending after Easter to bring him forth to the people.

Peter therefore was kept in prison: but prayer was made without ceasing of the church unto God for him.

-Acts 12:1-5

But the Jews stirred up the devout and honourable women
and the chief men of the city, and raised persecution against
Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them out of their country.
But they shook off the dust of their feet against them,
and came unto Iconium.

-Acts 13:50-51

But the multitude of the city was divided: and part held
the Jews, and part with the apostles.

And when there was an assault made both of the Gentiles
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-Acts 14:4-5

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And there came thither certain Jews from Antioch and Iconium, who persuaded the people, and having stoned him drew him out of the city, supposing he had been dead.

-Acts 14:4-5 & 19

But the Jews which believed not, moved with envy,
took unto them certain lewd fellows of the baser sort,
and gathered a company, and set all the city on an uproar,
and assaulted the house of Jason, and sought to
bring them out to the people.

-Acts 17:5

And when Gallio was the deputy of Achaia,
the Jews made insurrection with one accord against
and brought him to the judgment seat,

-Acts 18:12

And when it was day, certain of the Jews banded together
and bound themselves under a curse, saying that they would
eat nor drink till they had killed Paul.

And they were more than forty which had made this conspiracy.
And they came to the chief priests and elders, and said,
We have bound ourselves under a great curse, that we will
eat nothing until we have slain Paul.

-Acts 23:12-14

Early Christian Persecution

- 1.) Roman Protection
- 2.) Jewish Persecution
- 3.) Rome's Opinion Changes
 - 2 rumors
 - 2 accusations
- 4.) Roman Persecution Begins



Early Christian Persecution

Philip - Scourged, Thrown in Prison Crucified

Matthew- Slain with a halberd (combined spear &
Battle axe)

James the Less- Beaten, Stoned, Brain dashed with full
club

Matthias- Stoned, then Beheaded

Andrew- Crucified on X shaped Cross

Mark- Dragged to pieces

Peter- Crucified upside down

Early Christian Persecution

Jude- Crucified

Bartholomew- Cruelly beaten and then Crucified

Thomas- Thrust through with a spear

Luke- Hanged on an olive tree

Simon- Crucified

John- Boiled in oil (escaped by miracle without injury)

ONLY APOSTLE TO ESCAPE VIOLENT DEATH , Died of Natural causes in Exile

(Patmos)

“The oftener we are mown down by you, the more in number we are made.”

the blood of Christians is seed

-Tertullian
197 A.D

Roman Persecution

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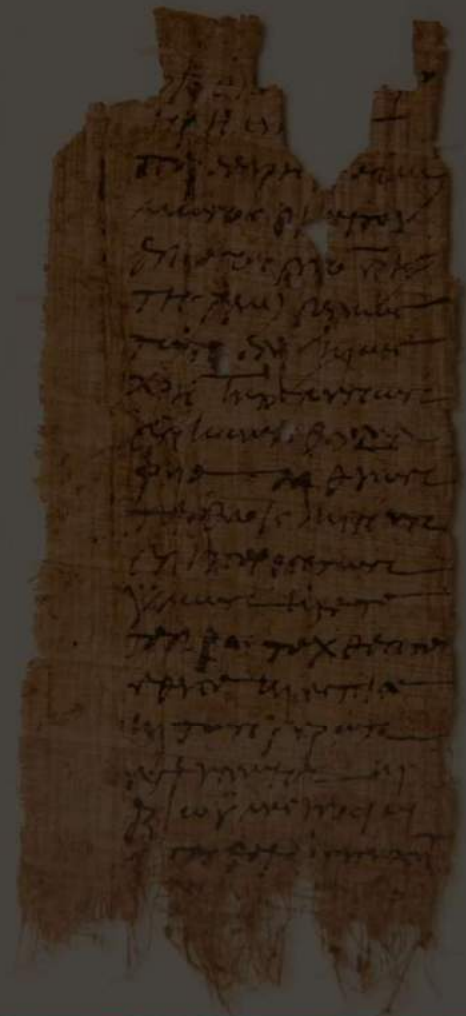
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No. 1. Pap. Berolin
"I have always and
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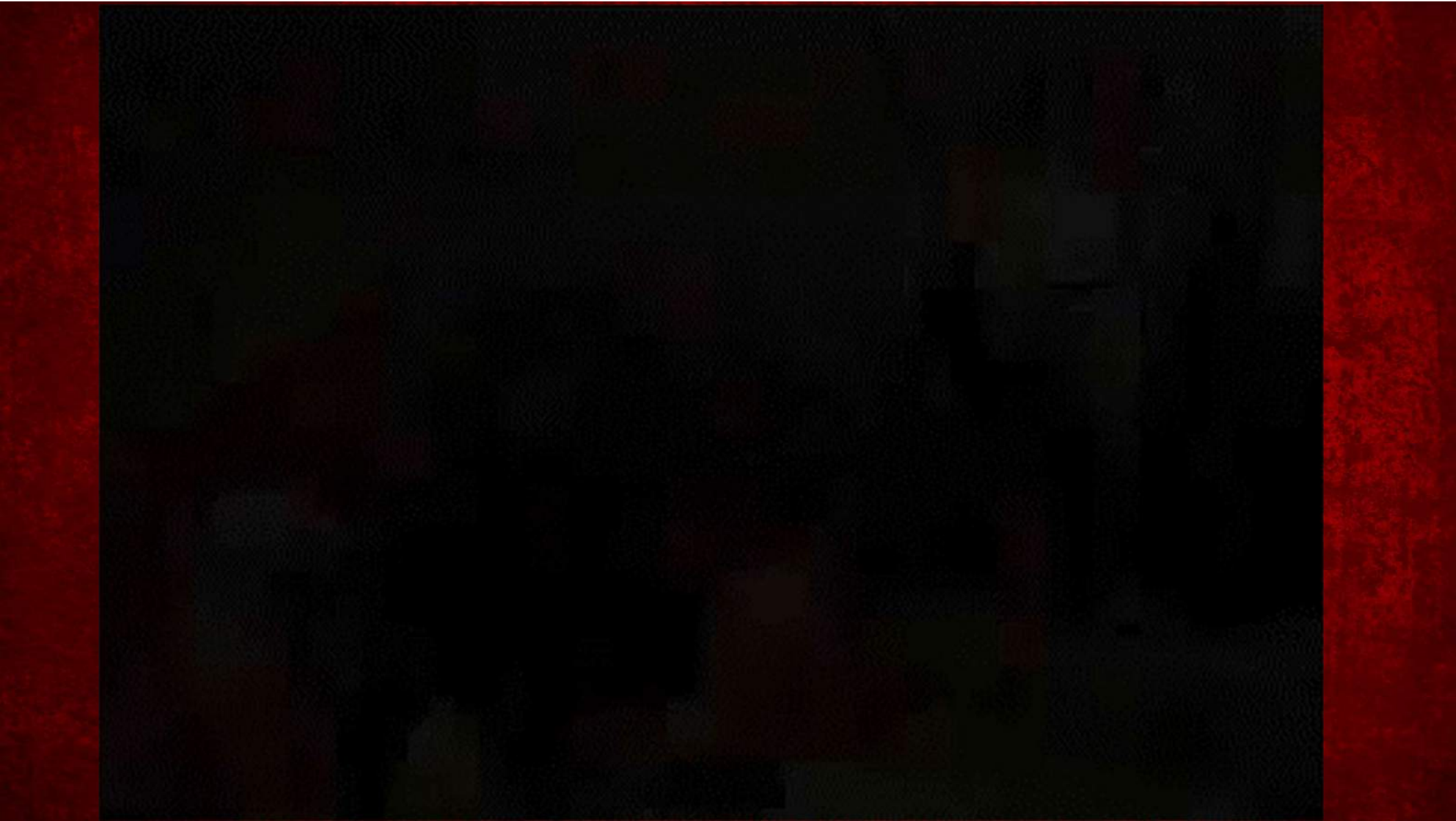
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- Diocletian
- 4 Edicts
 - 1.) “without bloodshed”
 - 2.) arrest and imprison all Bishops
 - 3.) freedom with sacrifice
 - 4.) all persons, to collective sacrifice



the edict of milan

313 a.d

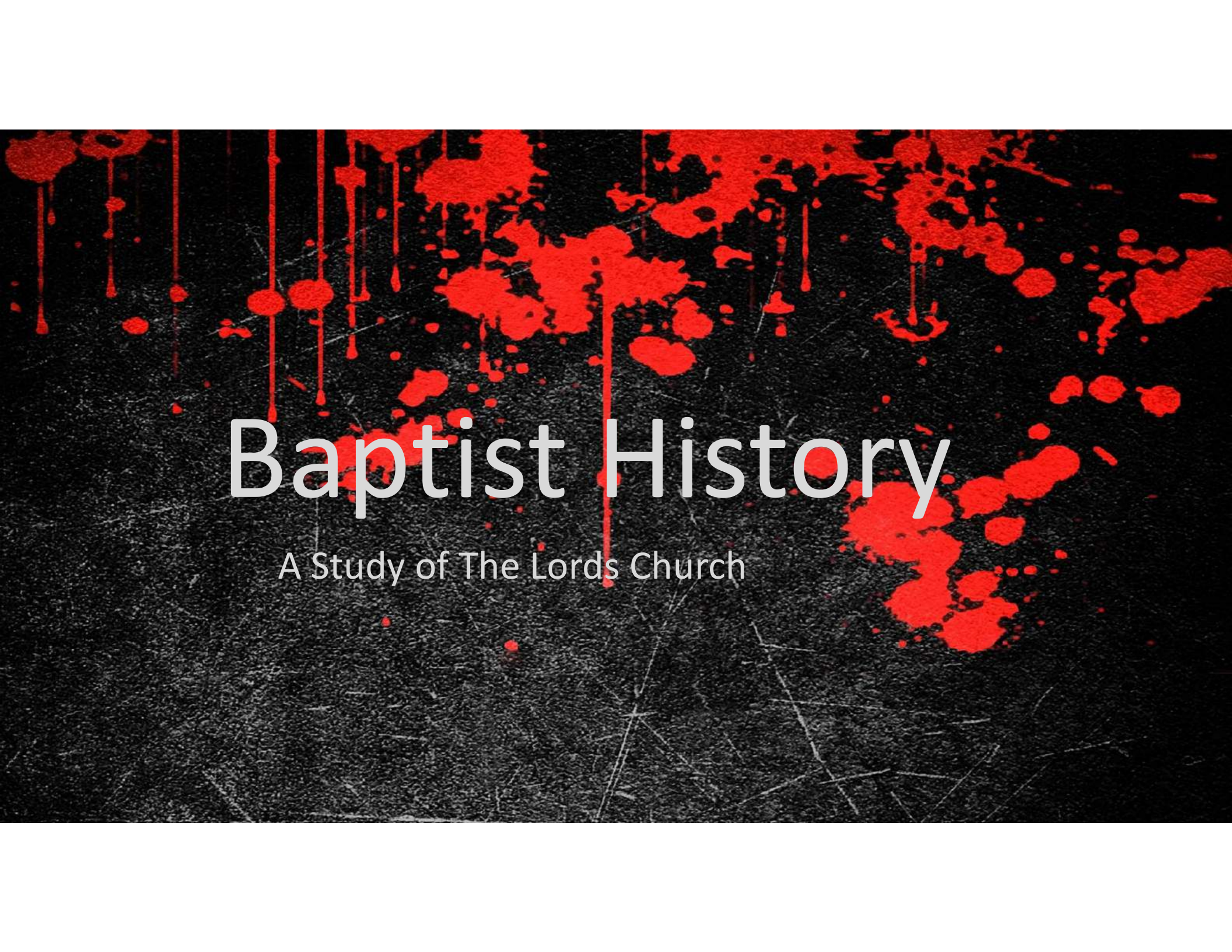
The proclamation granted all persons freedom to worship whatever deity they pleased, assured Christians of legal rights (including the right to organize churches), and directed the prompt return to Christians of confiscated property. Previous edicts of toleration had been as short-lived as the regimes that sanctioned them, but this time the edict effectively established religious toleration.

-Encyclopedia Britannica

<https://www.britannica.com>

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