

A Survey of Church History The Second Great Awakening

I. Background to the Second Great Awakening

- A. The general decline after the War for Independence
- B. The Winds of Revival Among the Colleges
- C. The Characteristics of the Awakening
- D. The Scope and Length of the Awakening
- E. The Instruments of the Awakening

II. Asahel Nettleton's Early Life, Conversion and College Years

- A. Born in North Killington, CT, April 21, 1783.
- B. Converted during the beginning of the awakening
- C. College years

III. Nettleton's Preaching, Ministry and Revival

- A. Style of Preaching
- B. Nettleton becomes useful in the Revival
- C. Personal work
- E. Personal Weakness

IV. The New Measures and a Troubler in Israel

- A. Charles G. Finney, the sweetheart of evangelicalism, the bane of true revival
- B. Finney's New Measures
- C. A meeting between the two
- D. "The Showdown at New Lebanon"

V. Conclusion and Summary of Nettleton's Life

VI. Lessons to be Learned (Personal Reflections on Nettleton's Life)

A. God uses ordinary people for extraordinary things.

B. Immediate history may not be kind to God's servants.

C. The nature of the conversions

D. The nature of the ministry and true revival

E. Some weaknesses