

# Church History 11 - Restoration Movement Begins



## European Religious Tide

Catholics  
Puritans  
Anglicans  
Quakers  
Baptists  
Shakers  
Presbyterians  
Methodists  
Lutherans  
Unitarians

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Who Started the church of Christ?

“Upon this rock I  
will build My  
church”

Matt  
16:18



Jesus Christ  
Son of the  
living God

Himself being the corner stone

Eph 2:19

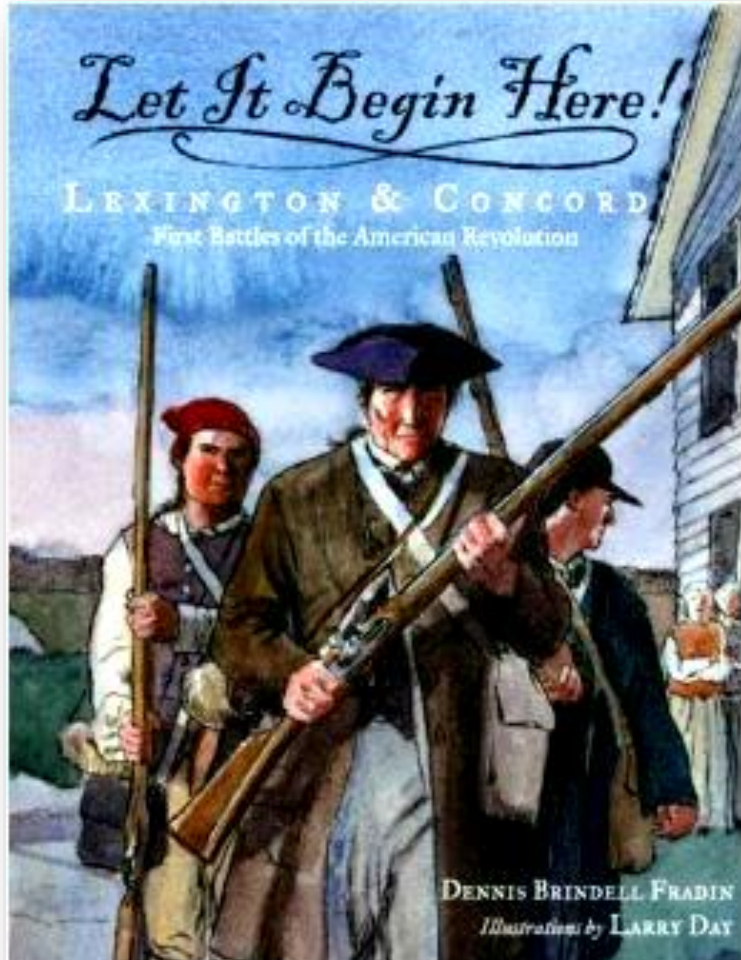
You... are

God's household,  
v20 having been  
built on the  
foundation of the  
apostles and  
prophets...

Christ Jesus



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Colonies started by people *wanting religious freedom*, financial opportunity and adventure.

## *Taxes & More British Taxes*

In **1764**, England began to impose new laws & taxes. Including: Sugar Act, Currency Act, Quartering Act, and the Stamp Act.

In **1765** Boston protests spread thru the colonies.

In **1773** New tax on Tea- led to Boston "Tea-Party"

In **1774** 12 Colonies ask King Geo III to repeal acts.

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The “Seed” is the  
**Word of God**  
**Luke 8:11**

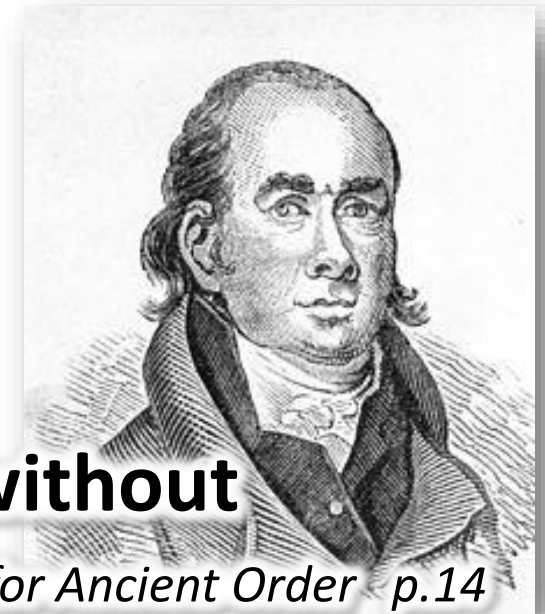
What do you get if you  
plant *a bean, oak,  
wheat, etc*  
in...

*Palestine?  
Syria?  
Italy?  
France?  
Portugal?  
England?  
America?  
Brazil?  
Canada?  
Hawaii?  
Philippines?*



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**Elias Smith (1769 – 1846)**  
was a preacher, physician,  
journalist and clergyman.



1802 Elias Smith left the Baptists  
& said: “Wear name of **Christian**, without  
any sectarian name added.” *Search for Ancient Order p.14*

When our number was some  
short of 20 we agreed to con-  
sider ourselves **a church of  
Christ.**” *Search for Ancient Order p.14*

**Alexander  
Campbell is 14  
& still in Ireland**

**Rom 16:16 “The Churches of Christ salute you..”**



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**Barton W. Stone** born 1772

1772 Barton born in Maryland.

1775 Barton's mother dies.

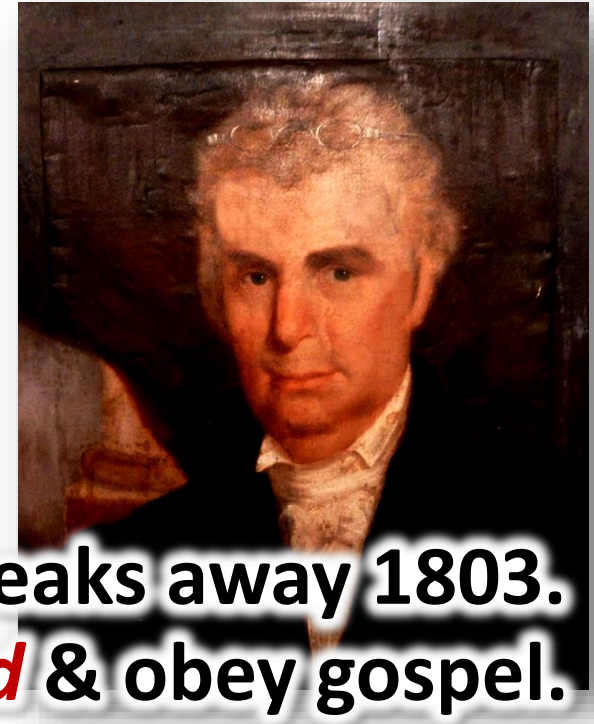
1777 Alexander is 16 and still in Ireland during the Revolutionary War.

Alexander is  
16 and still  
in Ireland

for freedom.

Stone joins Presbyterians 1791- breaks away 1803.

He believes *sinners can understand* & obey gospel.



“We shouldn’t use title of Reverend, License to preach is from God; We ARE the *church of Christ*; The Bible is our only sure guide to heaven; and Churches should choose their own preachers..”

*1804 Last Will and Testament of Springfield Presbytery*

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**Wm Guiry** (of Virginia)  
Restoration Preacher.

## Herald of Gospel Liberty

Wrote on Dec 18, 1808

**First** “No head over the church but **Christ**.” (Eph 1:22-23)

**Second** “No confession of faith; articles of religion, creeds, or canons but the **NT**.” (1 Pet 4:11)

**Third** “No religious name but **Christian**.” Search of Ancient Order p. 16



HERALD OF GOSPEL LIBE

Alexander is  
20 and is now  
in Glasgow,  
Scotland

(Acts 11:26)

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**Alexander Campbell**  
Notable Restoration  
preacher.

1809 Resigned from the  
Seceder Presbyterians.

1810 Preaches 1st sermon  
in Bush Run Pennsylvania.

1812 Baptized by *immersion*



1818 Believes that *baptism is for the remission of sins*, according to Acts 2:38. Search for Ancient Order, p 65.

*Campbell Debate on Christian Baptism; pub by Campbell & Sala, Buffalo; 1824.*