

The Calvino Lectures  
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John Calvin

- I. Preparing The Way: Gillaume Farel
  - A. Birth and early years - On the heels of Waldensians
  - B. Paris: Jacques LeFevre, the Scriptures, and Conversion
  - C. Meaux: persecution
  - D. Dauphine: preaching with power
  - E. Basel: Sanctuary, then opposition from Erasmus
  - F. Strassbourg
  - G. More travels
  - H. 3 important strategic cities: Lausanne, Neuchatel, & Geneva
  - I. Power-struggle in Geneva
  - J. A sovereignly appointed meeting: Calvin passing through
  - K. Both kicked out
  - L. Neuchatel to the end
  
- II. John Calvin
  - A. Calvin's Life
    - 1. Birth, early years, and conversion
    - 2. Geneva the first time
    - 3. What Calvin found in Strassbourg
    - 4. Return to Geneva
    - 5. Family tragedy
    - 6. Contributions to Geneva
    - 7. Final Days
  - B. Calvin's Literature
    - 1. The "Man of Letters"
    - 2. The Institutes
    - 3. The Commentaries
    - 4. Polemical Literature
  - C. Calvin's Geneva
    - 1. The liturgical controversy
    - 2. Expelled, and re-called
    - 3. Church Discipline
    - 4. Servetus
  - D. Calvin's Theology
    - 1. The central Theo-centric concern
    - 2. God's Sovereignty applied
  - E. Calvin's Exegesis
  - F. Calvin's Contribution to Education and Missions
  
- III. The Influence of Calvinism Through History
  - A. Calvinism in England

- B. Calvinism in Scotland
  - C. Calvinism in Holland
  - D. Calvinism in North America
- IV. Calvin's Influence in France: The Huguenots
- A. The Question of Church Government
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  - C. Political Developments & Persecution
  - D. Missions
  - E. Leading Players
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    - 2. Louis, the Prince of Conde
    - 3. Admiral Gaspard de Coligny
    - 4. The Duke of Guise
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  - F. The Fighting Begins
  - G. Edict of Amboise
  - H. Conspiracy
  - I. Black Bartholomew's Day
  - J. The Huguenots' Temporary Resurgence
  - K. Edict of Nemours
  - L. Navarre as King
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  - N. Louis XIII & Richelieu
  - O. Louis XIV & "absolutist monarchy"
  - P. Stealing the children
  - Q. Driving out the Remnant
  - R. The Stage is Set

