

The Calvino Lectures
John Wycliffe
Morning Star of the Reformation
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I. John Wycliffe and the Birth of English Puritanism

- A. Distinguish “Puritanism,” and “The Puritan Movement”
- B. The name “Puritan” – the Vestment Controversy
- C. Chaucer’s Parson

II. Thomas Bradwardine (c. 1300 – 1349)

- A. “Doctor Profundis”
- B. “The Cause of God Against Pelagius”
- C. Characterized by his meekness
- D. Doctrinal Reform, as well as Practical
- E. God’s Sovereign Grace – Rom. 9:16
- F. Exalted view of Scripture
- G. Chaplain to King Edward III
- H. 1349 – Archbishop of Canterbury

- I. The Black Death

III. John Wycliffe (c. 1330 – 1384)

- A. Academic brilliance
- B. Biblical Orthodoxy

1. Lordship
2. Divine Predestination
3. The Nature of the Church
4. The Nature of the Ministry
5. The Papacy
6. The Lord's Supper
7. The Scriptures

C. Heretic

1. John of Gaunt, Duke of Lancaster
2. 1374 Meeting with Papal Envoys
3. 1377 London mob
4. Papal Bull from Pope Gregory XI

D. 1377 - The new king: Richard II

E. Lutterworth

F. Stroke and Death – 29 December 1384

IV. The Lollards