



# REVIVALS & *Awakenings*

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## Provisional Definition:

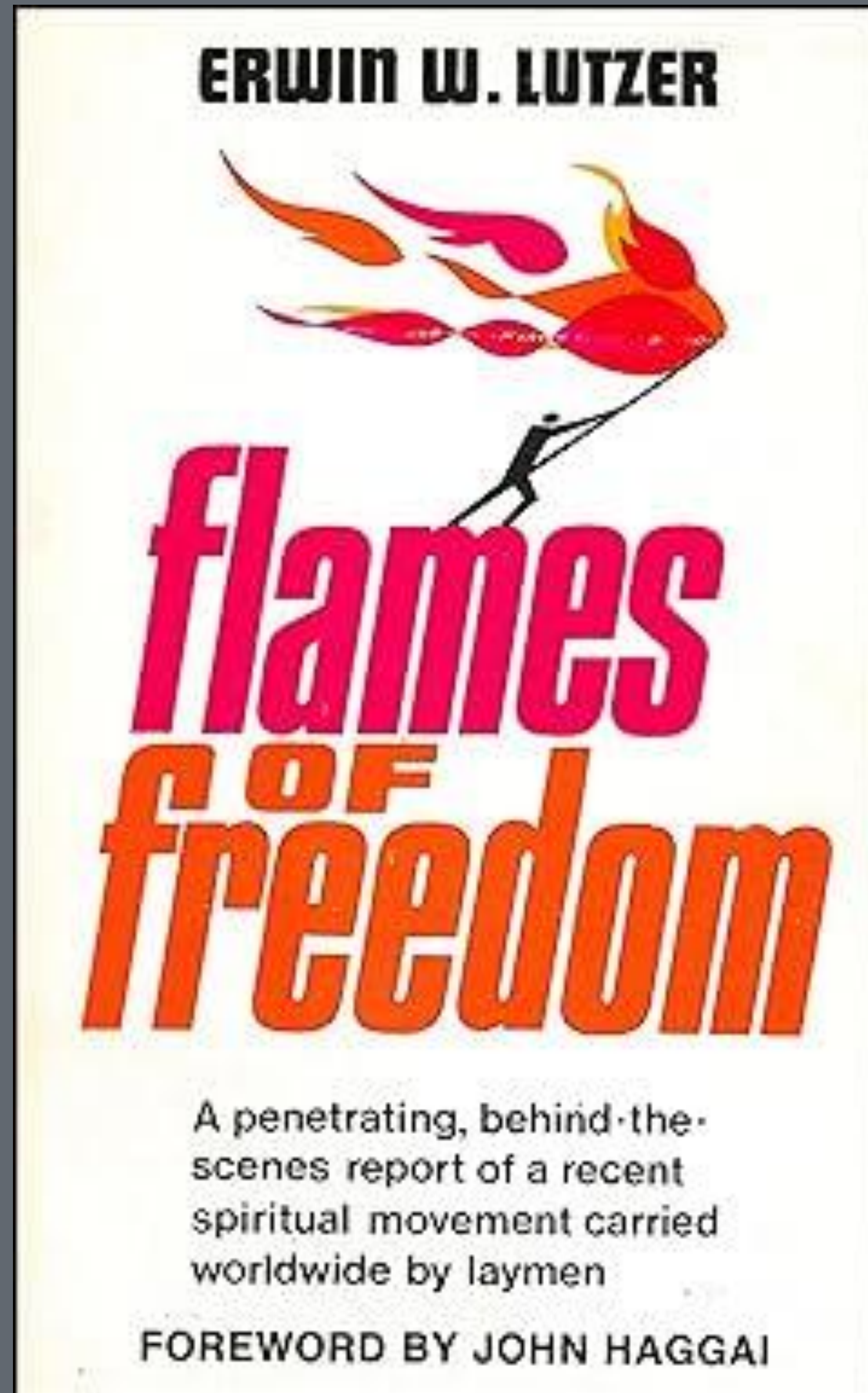
a season of visitation in which God acts in extraordinary ways to bring about spiritual awakening and repentance.



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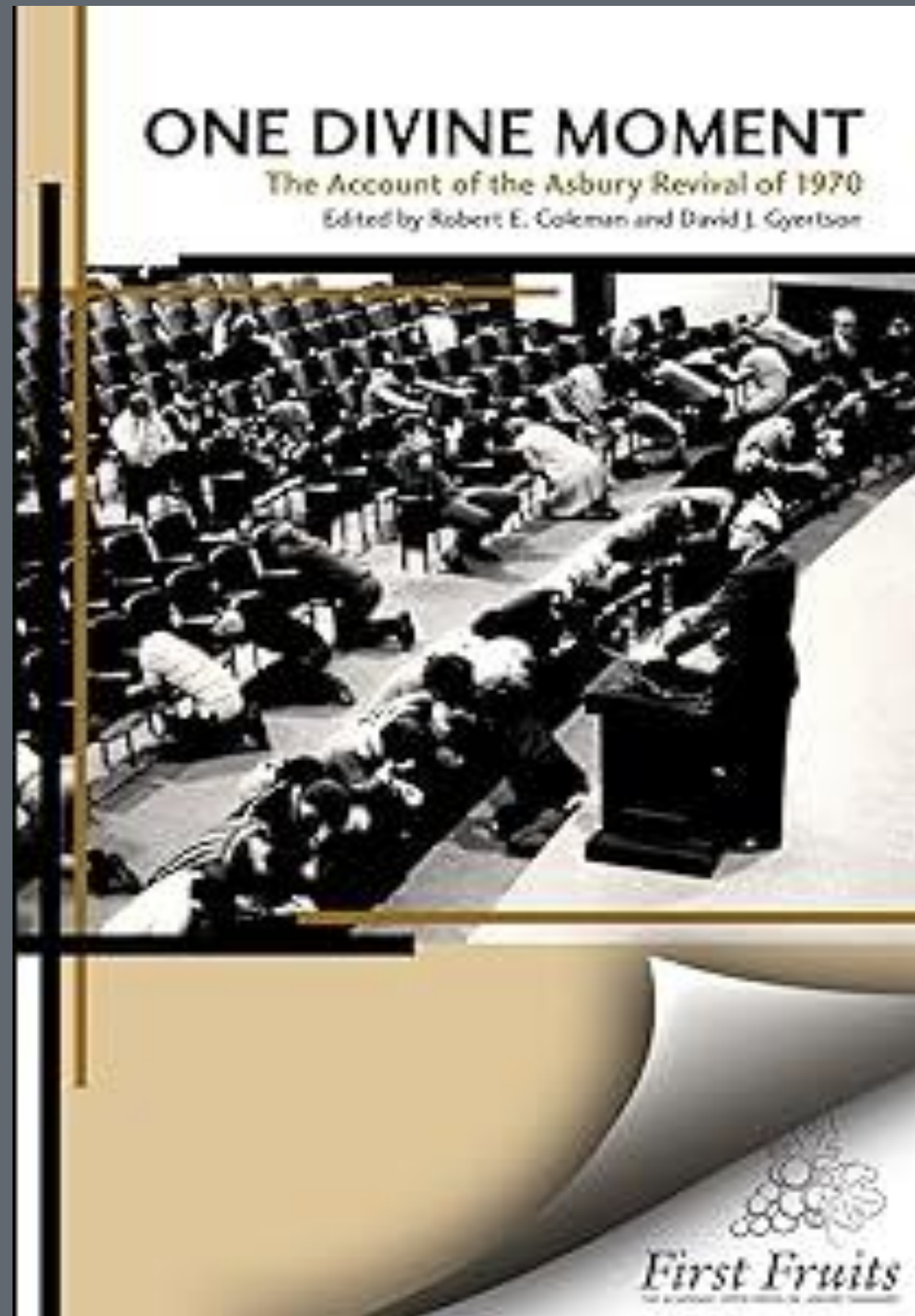
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“Give me one divine moment when God acts and I say that moment is far superior to all human efforts to man throughout the centuries.” Dennis Kinlaw, President, Asbury College, 1970

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“Restore us again, God our Savior... Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you” (Psalm 85:6)?

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“Revival is about arrival—when, through the Spirit, Christ shows up fresh (as it were) to capture and conquer us anew, to re-energize us with His eternal purposes, and to take us with Him to fulfill them more fully than ever. No wonder the 18<sup>th</sup> century New England Puritans called corporate revival, quite simply, “The manifest presence of Christ.” -An Urgent Appeal, Mission America Coalition, 2002, p. 17.

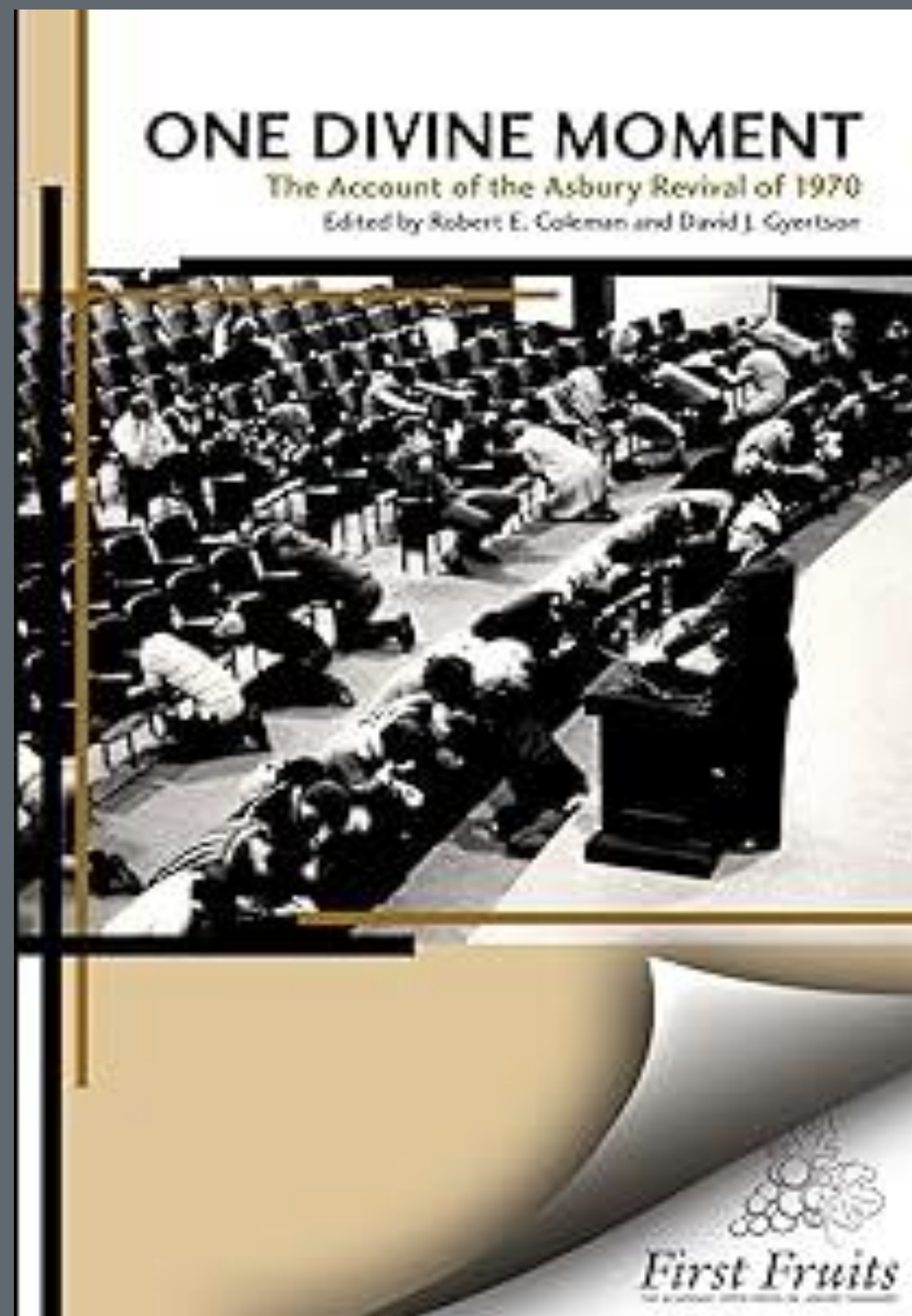


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*Evan Roberts Welsch Revival of 1904*

- *Confess any known sin*
- *Put away doubtful habits*
- *Obey the Spirit promptly*
- *Confess faith in Christ openly*



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*“...a great alteration” -Jonathan Edwards, On Revival, Igniting Spiritual Awakening*

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*There is a new dynamic in joyful worship...and in simply being joyful.*



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*There is a new level of missional engagement.*

# What Will Revival Look Like?

- Prayer for revival and awakening
- Prophetic indicators
- God's unquestionable presence!
- Awakening to ONE's sin
- Restitution, reconciliation, and restoration
- Joyful worship...
- New level of missional engagement



# The Dynamic Intensity of the Spirit

**Andrew Gabriel**

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- The Spirit's Presence is an Eschatological Presence

# Conclusions





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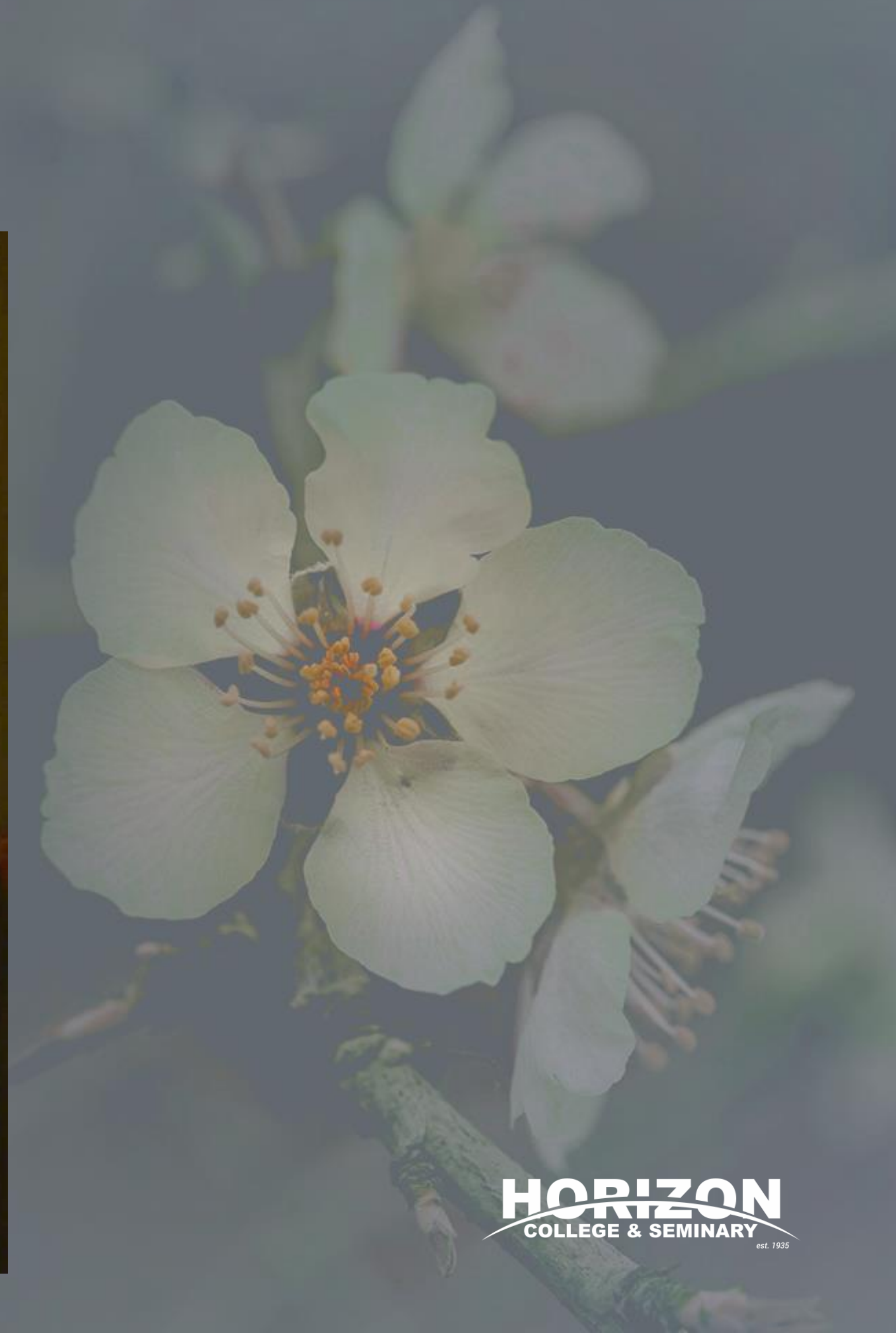
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## Samuel Wesley and Susanna Annesley





# John and Charles Wesley



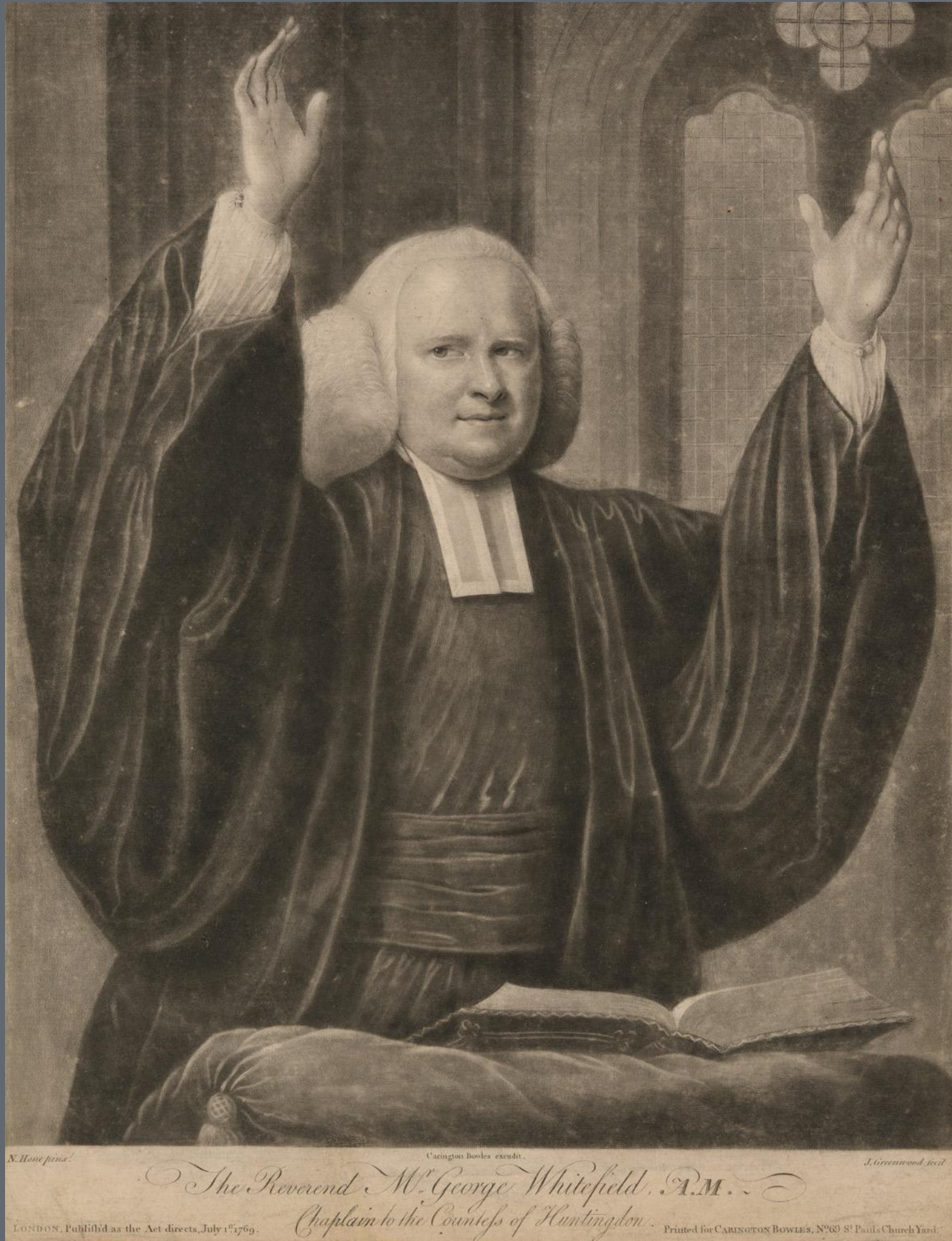


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# John Wesley and George Whitefield





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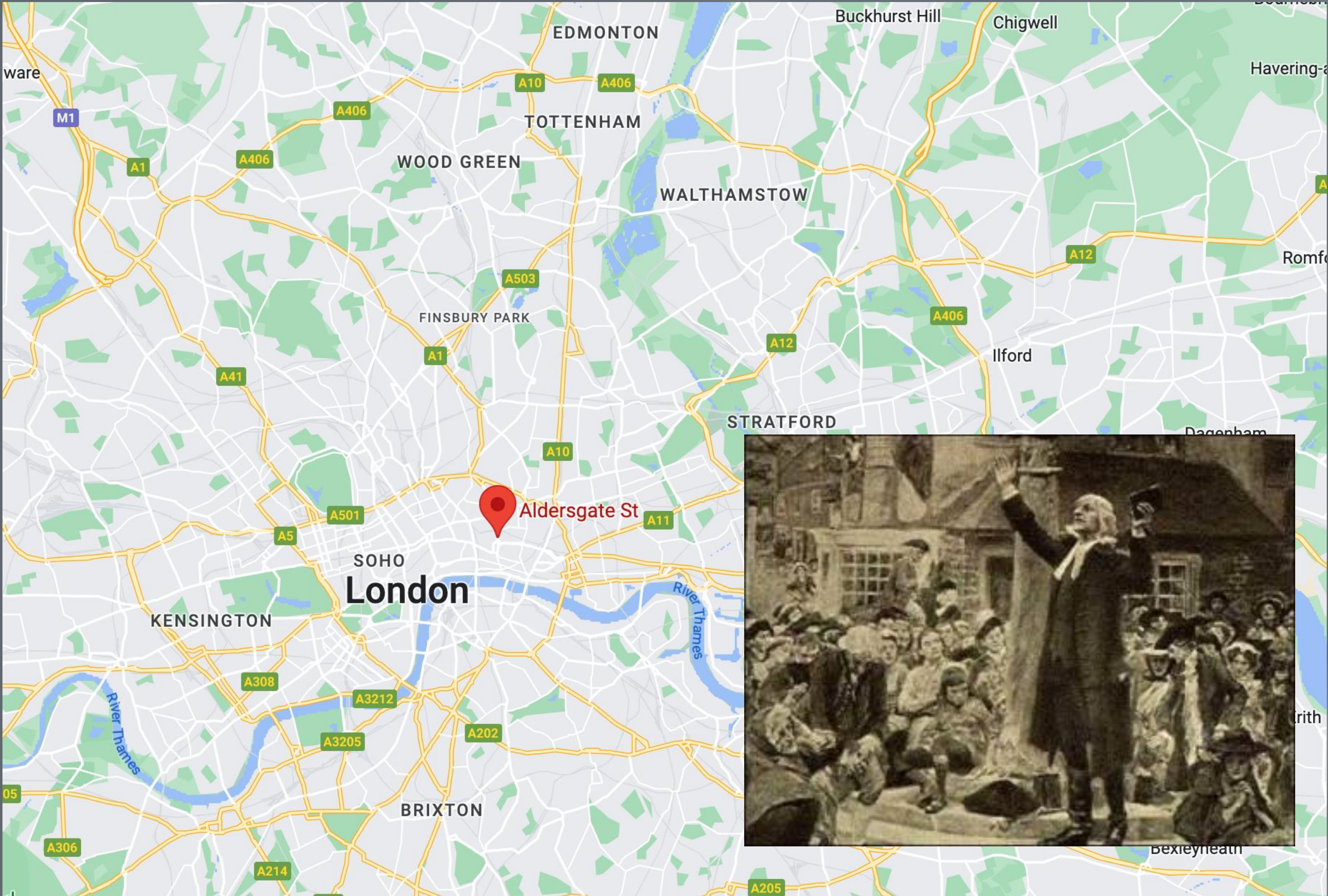


# John, Sophie, Grace and Mary





# Aldersgate





“In the Evening I went very unwillingly to a Society in Aldersgate Street, where one was reading Luther’s Preface to the Epistle to the Romans. About a Quarter before nine while he was describing the Change which God works in the Heart thro’ faith in Christ, I felt my heart strangely warm’d. I felt I did trust in Christ, Christ alone for Salvation: And an Assurance was given me, That He had taken away my Sins, even mine, and saved me from the Law of Sin and Death.”



# Street preaching





# Societies





..."not only to believe that the Holy Scriptures and the articles of our faith are true, but also to have a sure trust and confidence to be saved from everlasting damnation through Christ." ...

"To love God with all our heart, and, our neighbor as ourselves, and in that love abstain from all evil and do all possible good to all men."



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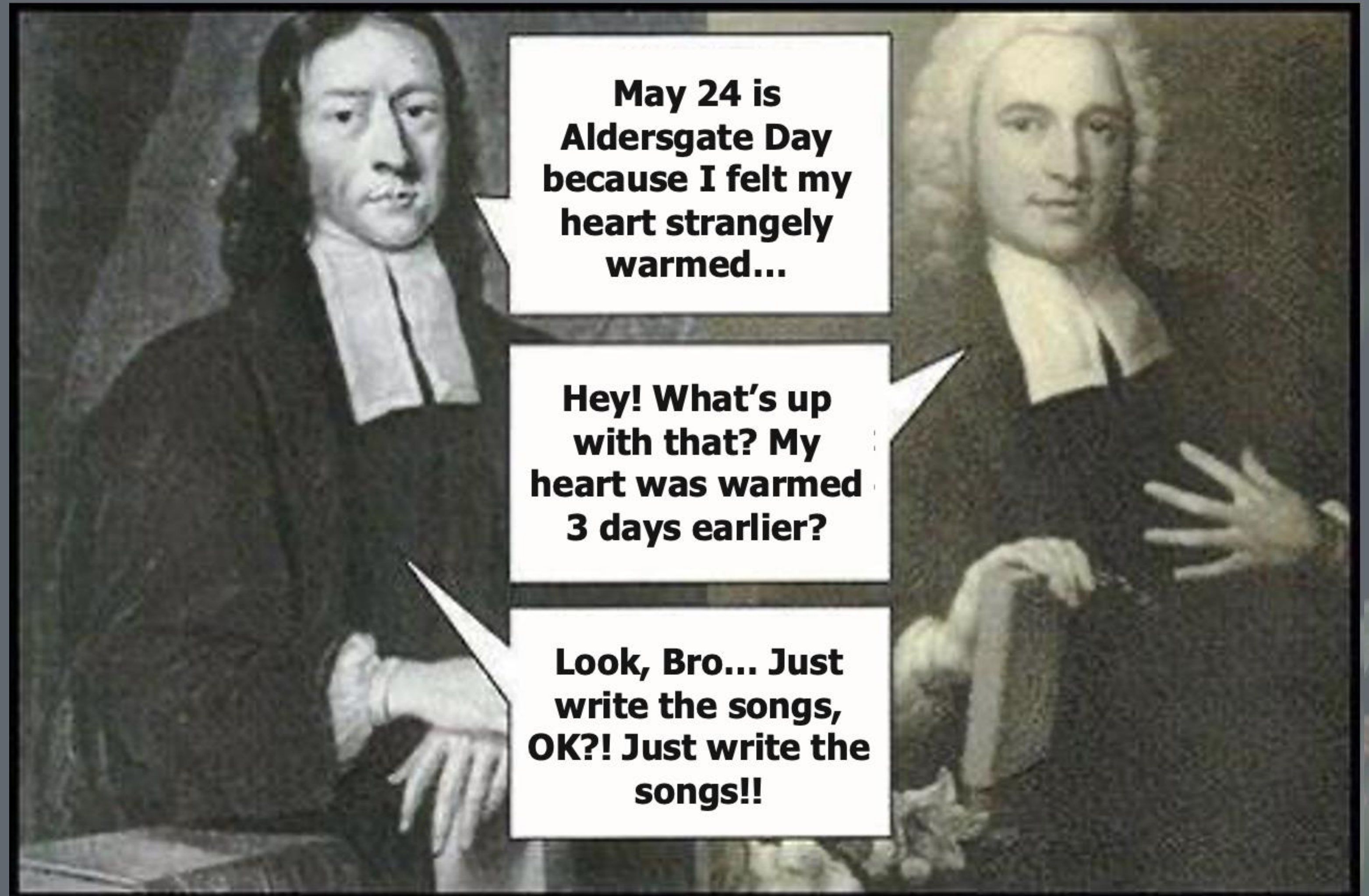


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And can it be that I should gain  
An interest in the Savior's blood?  
Died He for me, who caused His pain?  
For me, who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! how can it be  
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?  
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No condemnation now I dread,  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine:  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
And clothed in righteousness Divine,  
Bold I approach the eternal throne,  
And claim the crown,  
through Christ, my own.



# Charles Wesley and Sarah Gwynne





# Charles Wesley and George Frideric Handel





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Love divine, all loves excelling,  
Joy of heaven to earth come down,  
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling;  
All Thy faithful mercies crown!  
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,  
Pure, unbounded love Thou art;  
Visit us with Thy salvation;  
Enter every trembling heart.





# Charles Wesley





Jesus, lover of my soul,  
Let me to thy bosom fly,  
While the nearer waters roll,  
While the tempest still is high;  
Hide me, O my Savior, hide,  
Till the storm of life is past;  
Safe into the haven guide,  
O receive my soul at last!





Key Wesleyan emphases that influenced the 18<sup>th</sup> century revival and evangelicalism today:

- Personal experience of faith
- A God of Love
- Rigorous expectations of personal holiness and spiritual practice
- Ordaining lay preachers to do ministry



# Some Contemporaries of Wesleys

1700

1800



John Wesley: 1703-1791

Charles Wesley: 1707-1788

Isaac Newton: 1643-1727 (born in Lincolnshire)

Isaac Watts: 1674-1748 (When I Survey The Wondrous Cross)

George Frideric Handel: 1685-1759

Johan Sebastian Bach: 1685-1750

Benjamin Franklin: 1706-1790

Immanuel Kant: 1724-1804

John Newton: 1725-1807 (Amazing Grace)

George Washington: 1732-1799

American declaration of independence: 1775-1776