

God's Prevailing Work

Scope & Sequence for Volume 2: AD 1517 to Present

Chapter	Objectives	Notable Points
1. These Things Alone	- Outline the events that led to Luther attending the Diet of Worms - Define <i>gospel</i>, <i>grace</i>, and <i>faith</i> - Note examples of Luther's Ninety-Five Theses - Introduce the five solas that summarize important teachings of the Reformation	- Martin Luther - The Five Solas - Indulgences
2. The Word Has Power	- Describe Zwingli's efforts to ground Christian practice in the Scriptures rather than tradition - Examine Calvin's work of teaching the Word of God to others - Emphasize the need to put what we learn from Scripture into practice	- Ulrich Zwingli - John Calvin - Cyril Lucaris
3. Despite Earthly Power	- Identify how various monarchs affected the Reformation in England - Emphasize that earthly powers cannot stop the work of God - Describe how John Knox boldly preached the Scriptures despite strong opposition	- The English Reformation - Persecution under Bloody Mary - John Knox
4. Catholic Reforms	- Introduce the Roman Catholic Church's Counter Reformation, which affirmed and entrenched the Church's doctrine - Compare the Roman Catholic Church with the Pharisees of Jesus' day - Describe various wars over religion between Catholics and Protestants	- The Catholic Reformation - Cardinal Jiménez de Cisneros - The Council of Trent
5. Conflicts and Different Paths	- Explore why Luther and Zwingli could not attain unity between the German and Swiss Reformations at Marburg Castle - Compare the Arminian and Calvinist views on election and free will in salvation - Describe the origins of Anabaptists and Baptists	- The Synod of Dort - The Anabaptists - The Baptists
6. Missions Constrained	- Identify the geopolitical and theological factors that inhibited Protestant missions during the Reformation - Introduce the pioneering missionary efforts of French missionaries in Brazil - Note efforts to promote the need for foreign missions among Protestants	- The Great Commission - Fort Coligny - Adrianus Saravia

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7. An Explosion of Pietism	- Define <i>pietism</i> as movements and impulses that emphasize a spiritual relationship over formal religious tradition and practice - Explore how pietism spread throughout Germany - List the six means of bringing reform to the German Church suggested by Philipp Jakob Spener	- Pietism - Philipp Jakob Spener <i>Pia Desideria</i>
8. Arise, My Soul, Arise!	- Examine Scripture's teaching about revival - Explore how God used the Wesleys to spread revival throughout Britain - Describe three waves of spiritual revival in the American colonies	- The Great Awakening - Jonathan Edwards - George Whitefield
9. A Century of Song	- Introduce students to the hymnists Isaac Watts and William Cowper - Emphasize the importance of singing as a Christian practice that draws believers closer to Christ - Briefly note the Bible's emphasis on corporate worship as a means of declaring God's truth - Note the important roles that praise and thanksgiving have within singing	- Isaac Watts - The Wesleys - William Cowper
10. Attempting Great Things for God	- Describe the writing and missionary ministry of William Carey that sparked the spread of missions across the world - Challenge students to pray for missionaries carrying out the Great Commission - Examine the missionary work of Adoniram Judson - Demonstrate that the Book of Acts provides the Church with a pattern for missions	- William Carey - The Judsons
11. The Gospel Mobilized	- Examine the origins of what is known today as Sunday school - Briefly note various ways Christians sought to share the gospel through social action - Discuss ways students can minister to people in need - Explore the evangelistic ministry of D. L. Moody in the United States and Britain	- George Mueller - The Salvation Army D. L. Moody
12. The Battle with Theological Liberalism	- Introduce J. Gresham Machen and his stand on the significance of doctrine - Emphasize the danger of false teaching promoted by theological liberalism - Outline the Book of Jude's teaching on identifying false teachers and obtaining strength in Christ	J. Gresham Machen - Friedrich Schleiermacher - Charles H. Spurgeon
13. To Every Tribe and Tongue	- Examine the Church's surprising growth in China throughout the twentieth century - Emphasize that the Church is made up of people from diverse cultures, languages, and nationalities - Demonstrate that the Great Commission continues today	- Student Volunteer Movement - Christianity in China - Dora Yü