# **JONATHAN EDWARDS (1703-1758)**

#### I. AN OVERVIEW OF EDWARDS' LIFE AND MINISTRY

- A. He was born in 1703 in Windsor, Conneticut.
- B. A child prodigy
- C. His conversion
- D. Married Sarah Pierrepont, he was 23, she was 17. Had 11 children.
- E. Installed as assistant Pastor at Northampton Congregational Church. Solomon Stoddard -- maternal grandfather
- F. Saw two intense seasons of revival.
  - 1. 1734-35
  - 2. 1740-42
- G. Was dismissed from his congregation after 23 years of service.
- H. Missionary to Stockbridge
- I. President of Princeton

#### II. EDWARDS AS A GOD-INTOXICATED MAN

- A. His resolutions: #5,6,7,9,10,19,22,28,56
- B. His love for the sovereignty of God
- C. His deep experiential knowledge of God
- D. God's chief end and man's chief duty

## III. EDWARDS AS A PASTOR AND PREACHER

- A. Edwards at study
- B. Edwards in the pulpit
- C. Edwards' weakness as a pastor

### IV. EDWARDS AS AN INSTRUMENT OF REVIVAL

- A. Revival of 1734-35
- B. The Great Awakening of 1740-1742
- C. His influence on revival and world missions
  - 1. Revival
  - 2. World Missions

#### V. EDWARDS AS A THEOLOGIAN

- A. A theologian of revival
- B. Experimental Calvinism
- C. Academic Calvinism
- D. Miscellaneous

# Recommended Reading

# Biographies:

Ian Murray, <u>Jonthan Edwards: A New Biography</u> (Banner of Truth, 1987) Elisabeth Dodd, <u>Marriage to a Difficult Man</u> (Westminster Press, 1971). George Marsden, Jonathan Edwards (Yale University Press, 2003).

# By Edwards:

<u>The Religious Affections</u> (Banner of Truth reprint); <u>Charity and Its Fruits</u> (Banner of Truth reprint); <u>Jonathan Edwards on Revival</u> (Banner of Truth reprint) There's a bunch of JE in the bookroom!!