CHRISTIANITY

WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS

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SIN & SALVATION RESURRECTION & JUDGMENT

THE NATURE OF MAN

oThe Nature of God o



THE SURPRISING ROOTS OF AMERICAN

LIBERTY: LEVITICUS 25:10

- This was written in 1372 BC
- 3004 years before John Locke was born.
- 3083 years before the birth of David Hume.
- 3115 years before the birth of Thomas Jefferson.

LIBERTY

- True liberty is the byproduct of seeking for truth in God's Word.
- And I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy precepts. Psalms 119:45

- Baptists were uniquely suited to claim this promise for the simple reason that they are people of the book!
- You can't be a Baptist without a Bible.

WHAT IS A BAPTIST?

- B.A.P.T.I.S.T. ACROSTIC
- B. IBLE AS OUR SOLE AUTHORITY.
- A.UTONOMY OF THE LOCAL
 CHURCH

B.A.P.T.I.S.T.

- P.RIESTHOOD OF THE BELIEVER.
- T.WO ORDINANCES (BAPTISM, LORD'S SUPPER)
- I.NIVIDUAL SOUL LIBERTY.

B.A.P.T.I.S.T.S.

- S.EPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE
- T.WO OFFICES (PASTOR AND DEACON).
- S.AVED CHURCH MEMBERSHIP.

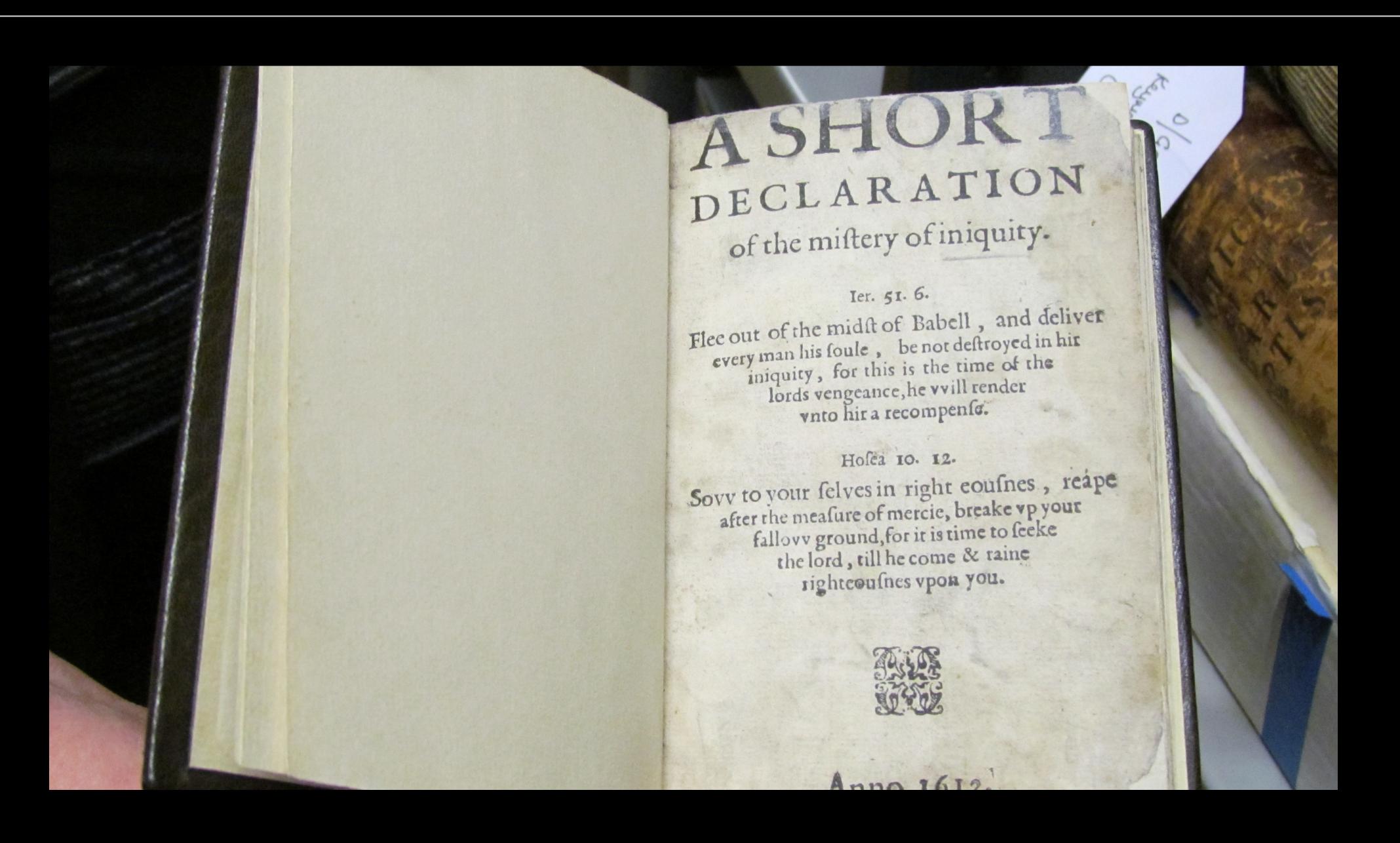
LIBERTY VS. TOLERATION: NOAH WEBSTER 1828

Civil liberty is the liberty of men in a state of society, or natural liberty, so far only abridged and restrained, as is necessary and expedient for the safety and interest of the society, state or nation. A restraint of natural liberty, not necessary or expedient for the public, is tyranny or oppression. Civil liberty is an exemption from the arbitrary will of others,

which exemption is secured by established laws, which restrain every man from injuring or controlling another. Hence the restraints of law are essential to civil liberty."

WEBSTER ON RELIGIOUS LIBERTY

Religious liberty, is the free right of adopting and enjoying opinions on religious subjects, and of worshiping the Supreme Being according to the dictates of conscience, without external control."



LEONARD BUSHER 1614

To the High and Mighty King James, by the grace of God King of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, and to the Princely and Right Honourable Parliament,

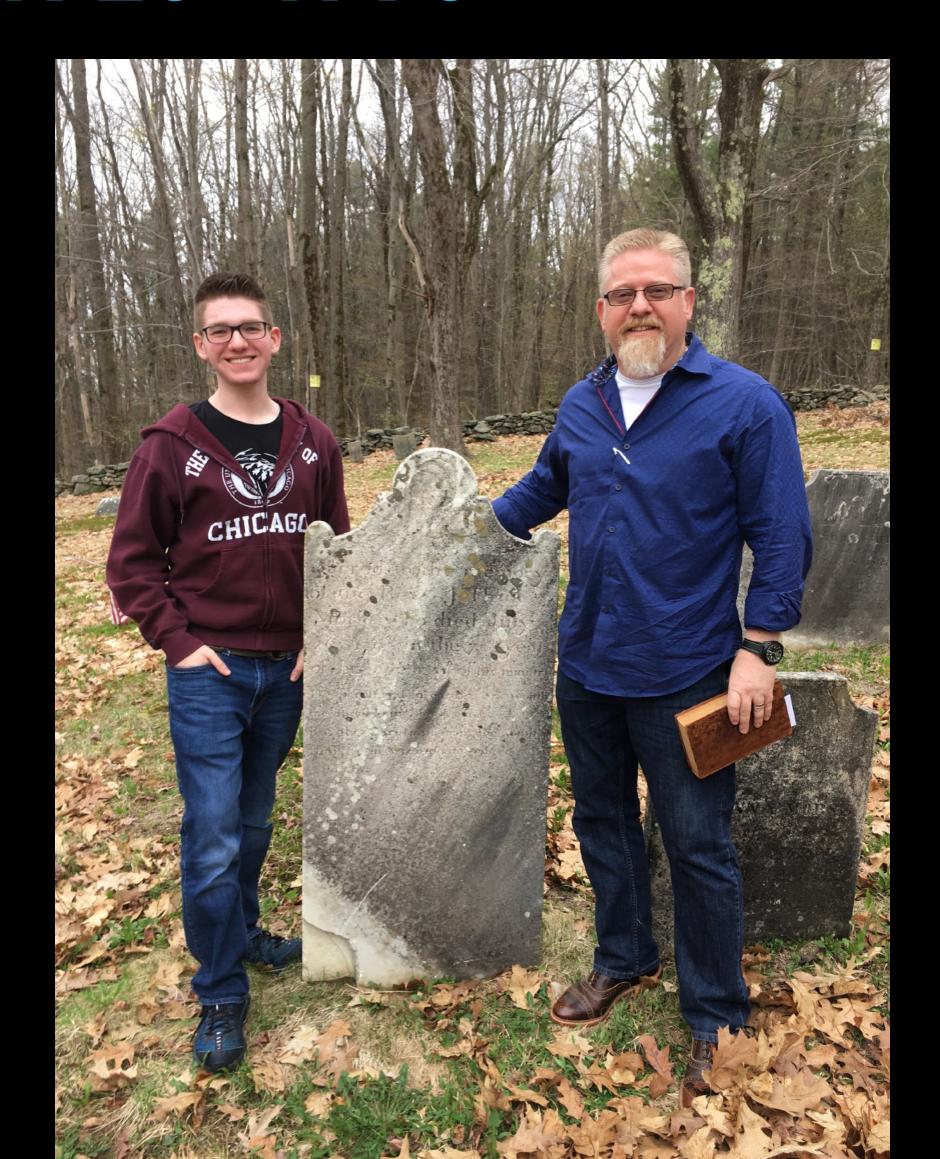
Leonard Busher wisheth the wisdom of Solomon, the zeal of Josias, and the mercy of Christ, with the salvation of your spirits in the day of the Lord Jesus. I Corinthians 5:5.

Forasmuch as your majesty and parliament do stand for the maintenance of the religion wherein you are born, and for the same do most zealously persecute with fire and sword;

I have thought it good, and also my duty, most royal sovereign, to inform your majesty and parliament thereof. In all humility, therefore, I give you to understand,

that no prince or people can possibly attain that one true religion of the gospel, which is acceptable to God by Jesus Christ, merely by birth.

JOSHUA MORSE 1725-1795



ISAAC BACKUS 1724-1806



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