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# Week 17 - The Reformation in Switzerland, England and Scandinavia

## General Information for All Grades

This is a very full week, during which we will see the Protestant Reformation spread from its German beginnings to cover lands all over northern Europe. As the rediscovery of gospel truths spread, many people wanted to take the principles of reformation much farther than Martin Luther did. As they started reading the Scriptures for themselves in their own languages, Protestant religious leaders found more and more points on which to disagree with the Roman Catholic Church - and often with each other.

The Anabaptists were one group of people who were persecuted by almost everybody. Their names means "re-baptizers", because they believed that Scripture taught that only people who had made a personal choice to believe in Jesus should be baptized. For this reason, they thought that infant baptism was not valid. They developed a practice of baptizing each other again as adults. Anabaptists tried to live lives strictly in keeping with Jesus' teaching, such as His command to "let your yes be yes, and your no be no", which kept them from taking oaths, or to "turn the other cheek," which led them to e pacifists, refusing to engage in physical violence for any cause whatsoever, including the defense of hearth and home. Such beliefs were radically different from those of other Christians, and got them into trouble with Catholic and Protestant governments alike.

In Switzerland, the Reformation was first led by Huldreich Zwingli, and then by John Calvin. Zwingli shared Luther's passion for studying Scripture, and as a pastor, persuaded the people of his town of Zurich to strip their worship services of any elements not commanded by Scripture. In the nearby lakeside city of Geneva, a young French exile, John Calvin, helped set up a government for the city according to Protestant principles. When Luther and his generation of Reformers died, Calvin's Geneva became the center of Protestantism, providing both a haven for many Reformers fleeing persecution in their own lands and a model for Christian community. A scholar by nature, Calvin also devoted his life to writing and revising his Institutes of the Christian Religion, a systematic exploration, from a Protestant perspective, of what Scripture teaches on a whole variety of issues. In particular, he treasured the doctrine of God's sovereign, active, personal rule over His creation, which Calvin saw as having broad implications for every aspect of life.

Kings and princes could also be reformers, from a variety of motives. King Gustav I of Sweden led his countrymen in a revolt against Denmark, which had long ruled over all Swedish lands. When he became Sweden's first king, he established Lutheranism as the state religion of Sweden.

King Henry VIII of England made his country Protestant even though he himself was a staunch Catholic in doctrine. England's reformation came in phases, and the first phase primarily involved the severing of Rome's authority over the English church. Henry's "reformation", made in pursuit of male heir not a new approach to God, was thus purely constitutional, but it opened the way for Englishmen who did care about doctrine to further reform the church according to Protestant beliefs thereafter.

#### **Psalm 8:1-2**

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

### Romans 1: 21-23

For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened. Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like mortal man and birds and animals and reptiles.

#### READING

ALL UG and LG ENRICHMENT or READ ALOUD	UG
☐ Famous Men of the Renaissance & Reformation by Rob Shearer	☐ Huguenot Garden, by Douglas Jones, Read Chapters 1-6
Read Chapters 113-142, 153-169	□ Trial and Triumph, by Richard Hannula chapters 21 – 23
☐ Mr. Pipes and Psalms and Hymns of the Reformation by Douglas Bond	☐ River of Grace: The Story of John Calvin (FREE on Kindle)
Read Chapters 11 – 12	
☐ The Story of the World Chapter 34 Section 2 only	DIALECTIC & RHET Reading
LG	☐ Video: Ïn Defense of the 'Solas'.
☐ Mother Goose: A Collection of Classic Nursery Rhymes, by Michael Hague	☐ Church History in Plain Language by Bruce Shelley, Chapters 25-27
	☐ Foxe's Book of Martyrs, by John Foxe Chapters 13-17
	☐ Invitation to the Classics by Louise Cowan and Os Guinness 135-138

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