

Social Effects of the Second Great Awakening

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What About the Old Testament?

Actually said little...

Psalms 72:8-14 (all kings will bow,
all nations will serve)

Isaiah 11:6-9 (lion / lamb passage)

Zechariah 14:15-17 (the LORD
comes and reigns)



Postmillennial Ideology



Scholars included
Charles Hodge,
Shedd, Warfield, A.A.
Hodge, and Strong

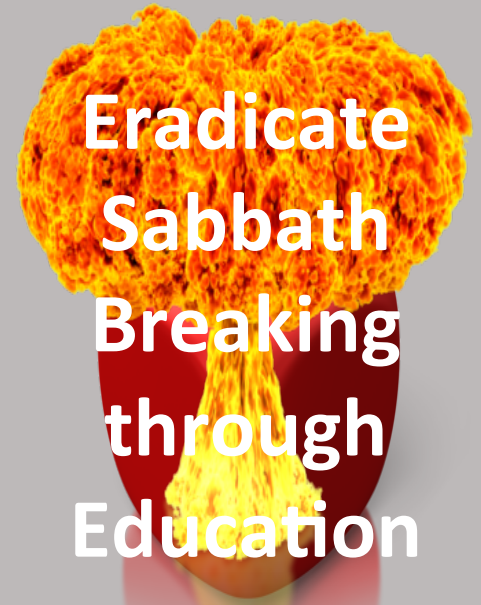
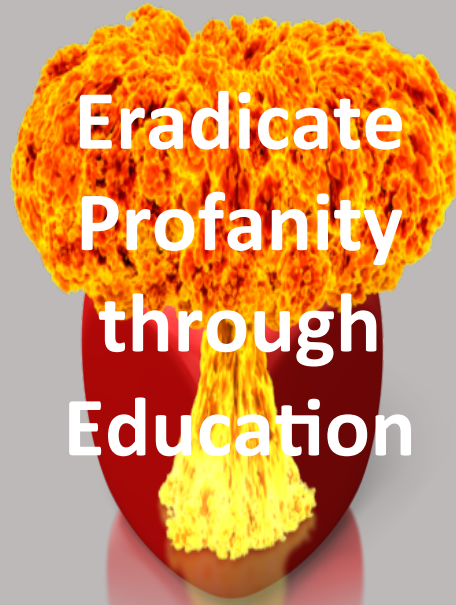
Central Issue: Literal or Figurative
Fulfillment?



Postmillennial Ideology

Viewpoint that Christ will return after a long period of expansion and spiritual prosperity for the church, brought about by the preaching of the gospel; the Spirit's blessing; and the church's work toward righteousness, justice, and peace. The period is not a literal thousand years but extended time of spiritual prosperity.





The Goal of Education

Education



**Read the
Bible**



**Combat
skepticism
and
atheism**



**Teach
Christian
Worldview**



A. W. Pink

1. Simply being in the Church does not make one a Christian.
2. Education is simply laying the foundation for the Holy Spirit to be able to work in a life.

We cannot mistake having the right answers as being the same thing as being a Christian.



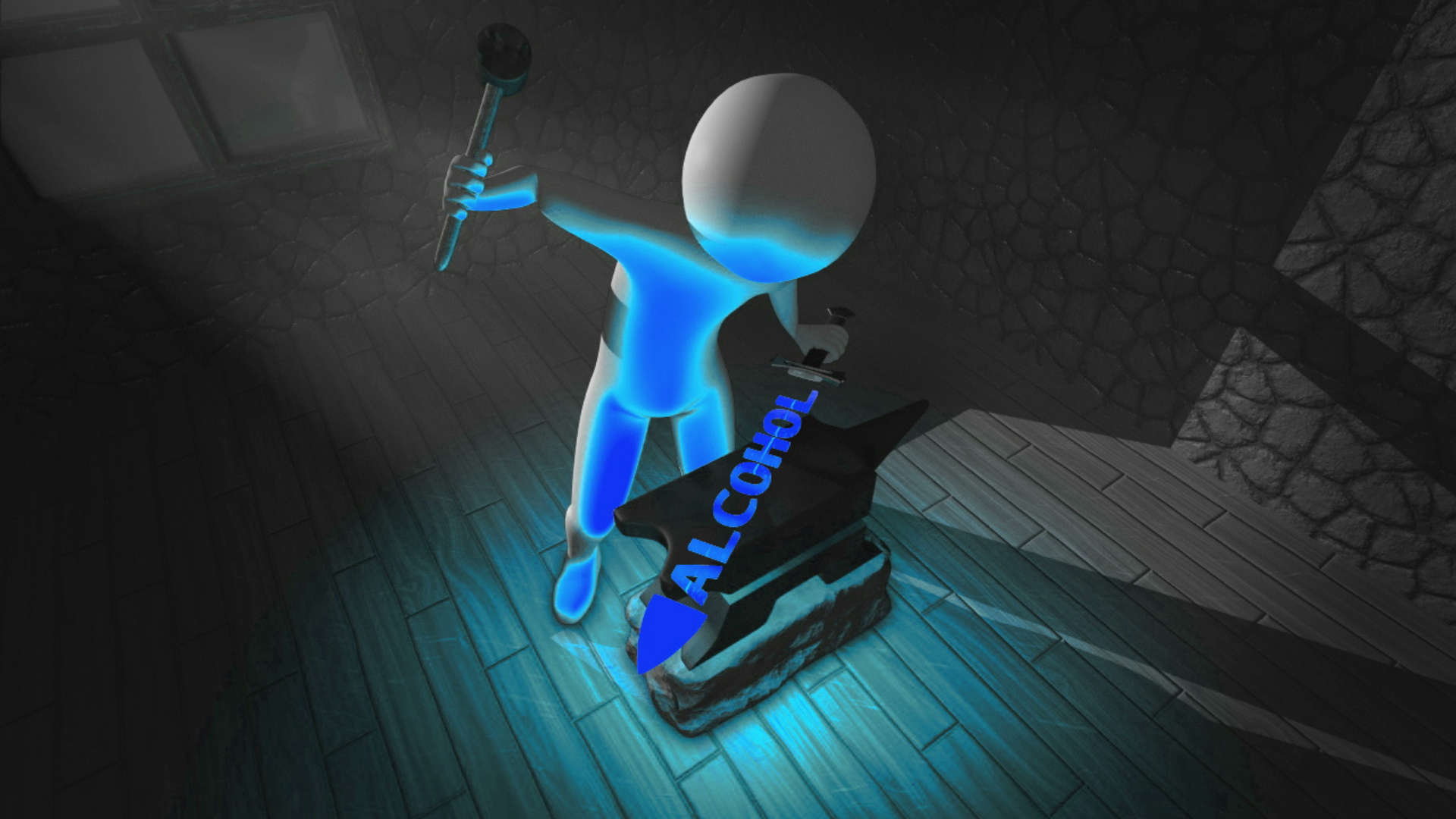
SLAVERY DID NOT END

Slavery existed in the Old Testament

Slavery existed in the New Testament

“Public” Slavery doesn’t exist, but just because it is not on the street in front of us does not mean slavery is gone.





**18th Amendment
to the
Constitution**

Volstead Act

Eph 5:15-18

**Body as Temple
of Holy Spirit**

**Need for Self
Control**

**Lyman Beecher – Credited with growth of
Movement**

Stalker (1901)

all drunkenness is a sin



*Defacement
of Divine
Image*



*Temporary
dethronement
of the power
within man
that ought to
govern*



*A casting of
his crown of
glory in the
dust*

Addressing Image of God, not Positional Relationship



CONCLUSION

There was a lot of work going on to make society better following the Second Great Awakening.





Education

Some good came from the push for Sunday School and broader Educational work.

Failed to have lasting effects in society – after all, God has been evicted from the classroom.





Abolitionist Movement

Forced lifetime servitude as a formal institution in the United States was eradicated.

Failed to have lasting effects in society –
Human Trafficking has simply become
“the man behind the curtain”



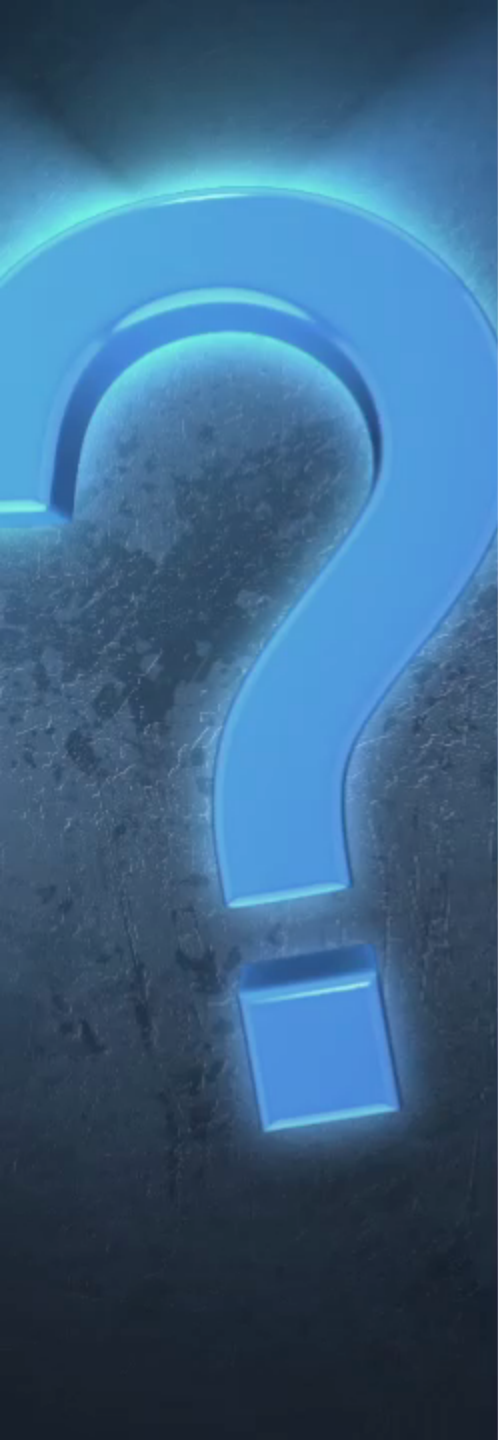


Temperance Movement

The 18th Amendment and the Volstead Act
Failed miserably.

Alcohol is readily available, as are “kits” to
manufacture spirits and brews at home.





A Final Thought...

Man cannot change the hearts of men through their own power.

“Programs” can only serve as vehicles to help get a message across, but

Only Jesus is capable of changing the heart of men.