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### **The Puritan Vision in England**

- 1509 Henry VIII becomes King of England.
- 1534 Henry VIII declares himself head of the English Church.
- 1547 Edward VI becomes King of England.  
English Reformation begins in earnest.
- 1553 Mary I becomes Queen of England and persecutes Protestants.  
Approximately 800 English exiles begin emigrating to France, Germany,  
and Switzerland.
- 1558 Elizabeth I becomes English Queen and Protestantism is restored.
- 1560 Geneva Bible is published.
- 1588 The Spanish Armada is defeated off the coast of England.
- 1602 James VI of Scotland becomes James I, King of England.
- 1604 At the Hampton Court Conference on the future of the Church, James VI  
denies the request of Puritans for further reform of the Church of England.
- 1605 The Gunpowder Plot to assassinate King James and members of Parliament  
fails.
- 1607 120 colonists leave for Virginia.
- 1611 King James Bible is published.
- 1620 Puritans found Plymouth Colony in Massachusetts.
- 1625 Charles I becomes King of England.
- 1630 Large scale emigration of Puritans to America begins.

- 1637 Charles I tries to force the Prayer Book onto the Scottish churches.
- 1640 Scotland unites in successful Covenanter revolt against Charles I.
- 1642 Charles I makes strategic withdrawal from London.
- 1643 English Civil War begins pitting the Long Parliament against Charles I.
- 1647 The Westminster Confession of Faith is drafted to replace the 39 Articles of the Church of England. Parliament approves the reforms but Oliver Cromwell and the Army prevent their implementation.
- 1649 Charles I is executed and Cromwell becomes Lord Protector.
- 1660 The English monarchy is restored under Charles II.
- 1662 Act of Uniformity forces over 2,000 Puritan pastors out of the Church of England.
- 1685 James II becomes King of England.  
England experiences a major influx of French Protestants fleeing the persecution of Louis XIV.
- 1688 Abdication of James II and coronation of William III.
- 1689 Scots-Irish Presbyterians survive James II's three-month siege of the Irish city of Londonderry.
- 1690 William defeats James and his Irish and French allies at the Battle of the Boyne in Ireland, thereby securing the Protestant identity of England and Scotland.

