



Puritans in America

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Origin of puritan

- In England in 1564
- Reason:

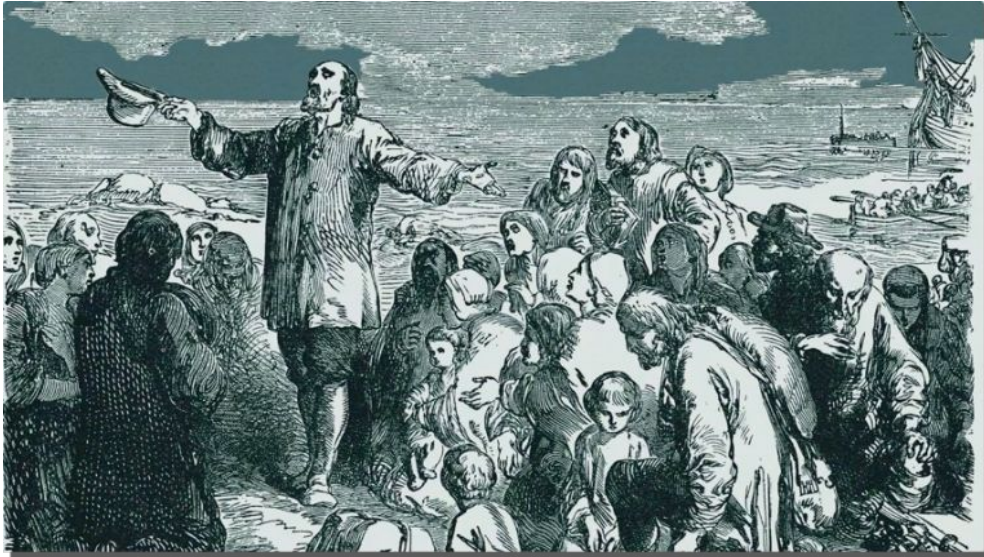
Puritans thought that the English Reformation had not gone far enough. They wanted to be purer further and closer to God.

Puritans did not use the term to call themselves. They called themselves as “the child of God” or “professors.”

Originally, Puritan was a pejorative term characterizing certain Protestant groups as extremist. Because, puritan often means "against pleasure".

Puritan in America

- When: Mayflower in 1620
- Why: Persecution



Basic Characters of Puritans

- **Against Pleasure**

Strict and disciplined lifestyle, avoiding any worldly indulgence. Focus on duty, hard work, and moral conduct rather than seeking personal enjoyment or gratification.

- **Family Life**

Puritans believed that marriage was rooted in procreation, love, and, most importantly, salvation. Husbands were the spiritual heads of the household, while women were to demonstrate religious piety and obedience under male authority. Furthermore, marriage represented not only the relationship between husband and wife, but also the relationship between spouses and God. Puritan husbands commanded authority through family direction and prayer. The female relationship to her husband and to God was marked by submissiveness and humility.

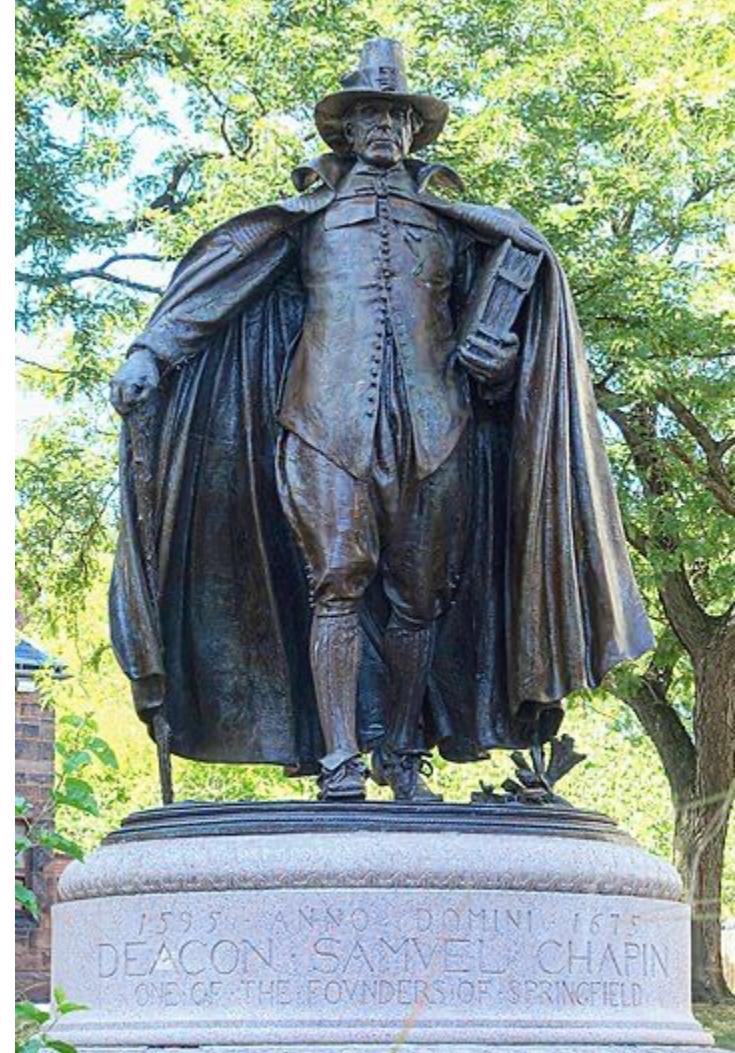
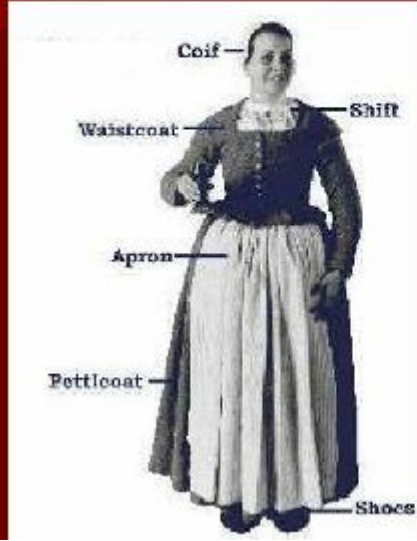
- **Education:**

At a time when the literacy rate in England was less than 30 per cent, the Puritan leaders of colonial New England believed children should be educated for both religious and civil reasons,

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Puritan Clothing: Conservative

Puritan Clothing



Puritan Church and Symbol

Early Calvinism was known for simple, unadorned churches as depicted in this 1661 portrait of the interior of the Oude Kerk, Amsterdam



Puritan Faith: Calvinism, a major branch of Protestantism



TULIP:

1. **T**otal depravity. Total corruption.
2. **U**nconditional election.
3. **L**imited Atonement: Jesus Christ's sacrifice on the cross was specifically limited to the salvation of the elect, those predestined by God.
4. **I**rresistible Grace: God's grace is irresistible and ensures the salvation of those predestined on God's grace.
5. **P**erseverance of the Saints: those who are predestined for salvation will persevere in their faith and cannot lose their salvation.



Some Quotes From Puritans

- **“Every Christian is either a missionary or an imposter.” – Charles Spurgeon**
- **“Great grace and small gifts are better than great gifts and no grace.” – John Bunyan**
- **“True peace will be found nowhere but in Christ.” – John Calvin**
- **“Without the Gospel everything is useless and vain.” – John Calvin**
- **“A dog barks when his master is attacked. I would be a coward if I saw that God’s Truth was attacked and yet would remain silent.” – John Calvin**
- **The pastor ought to have two voices; One for gathering the sheep; and another for driving away wolves.” – John Calvin**
- **“Unless we deny our own will, we shall never do God’s will.” – Thomas Watson**
- **“God never promised us a charter of exemption from trouble, but he has promised to be with us in trouble.” – Thomas Watson**

Disappearance of Puritans

- 1776/7/4 Independence
- Today

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