

Restoration Movement – American History Timeline

Discovery and First Settlers

- Christopher Columbus – 1492
- Sir Walter Raleigh – first British colony – 1585
- Jamestown – 1607
- Plymouth – 1620

Independence

- Revolutionary War – 1775-1781
- Declaration of Independence – July 4, 1776

Expansion

- 1803 – Louisiana Purchase
- 1845 – Annexation of Texas
- 1848 – Southwest and California
- 1848 – California Gold Rush
- 1867 – Alaska purchase
- 1898 – Annexation of Hawaii

Civil War (1861-1865) and Reconstruction

World War 1 – 1914-1917

Great Depression – 1929

World War II – 1939-1945

Cold War – late 1950s – early 1990s

Modern Era

Religious Implications

- No single religious group predominates
- No “Church of America”
- Political freedom = religious freedom
- No allegiance to King, no allegiance to Pope
- Freedom from tradition – although new traditions established
- Freedom to read and interpret scripture
- New view of clergy – common person
- Freedom to begin new churches and variations of churches
- Popularization of preachers that could move audiences (popularity = truth?)