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**Capitol Hill Baptist Church Church History – Class 11 CORE SEMINARS**

## The Church and the (Changing) World, 1750-1850

*“See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deception, according to the tradition of men, according to the elementary principles of the world, rather than according to Christ. For in Him all the fullness of Deity dwells in bodily form.” Colossians 2:8-9*

I. INTRODUCTION

II. THE ENLIGHTENMENT.

A) What was it?

B) Faith vs. Reason

C) Religious Implications

III. FOUNDING AMERICAN REPUBLIC

“We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created

equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain

unalienable rights….”

*Theistic rationalism*

IV. RESPONSES TO ENLIGHTENMENT

1. Friedrich Schleiermacher (1768-1834)

B) Søren Kierkegaard (1813-1855)

D) Common Sense Realism and Princeton Theologians

John Witherspoon (1723-1794

Archibald Alexander (1772-1851)

Charles Hodge (1797-1878)

V. THE SECOND GREAT AWAKENING

A) Revivalism & the Spread/Growth of Christianity

B) 1st Great Awakening vs. 2nd Great Awakening