# Scottish Reformation and Ovenanting History

### Part 2

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#### 2nd Scottish Reformation Commences

- 1637 The reaction Jenny Geddis
- 1637 (25<sup>th</sup> August) Privy Council decree it's complusory to purchase Service Book.
- 1637 (29<sup>th</sup> Sept.) Petition sent to PC
- 1637 (17th Oct.) PC response
- People flood into Edinburgh
- 1637 (15<sup>th</sup> Nov.) The Four Tables are set up – Nobles, Gentlemen, Burgesses, Ministers

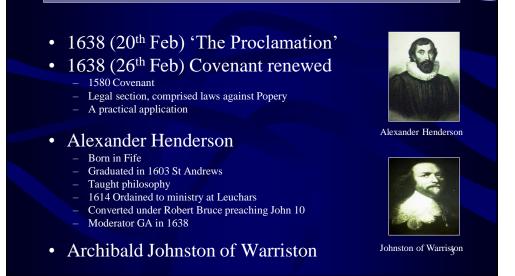


Dean Hanny - Jenny Geddis





# The National Covenant



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#### Public Swearing of National Covenant



National Covenant

Signing at Greyfairs

1638 (19<sup>th</sup> February/1<sup>st</sup> March) The National Covenant was signed in Greyfrairs Churchyard.

#### The National Covenant – Its Effect

• It reasserted the public's desire to renounce Roman Catholicism.

• It asserted the necessity of the King to rule within the bounds of his authority.

• It gave rise to the first free General Assembly for 36 years - held in Glasgow.

• Charles 1 raises an army to fight the Scots under General Leslie - Bishop's Wars



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#### The English Dimension

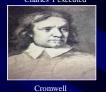
- 1640 Long Parliament in England called
- 1642 Civil war breaks out in England
- 1643 English suggest a military union to the Scots
  - Westminster Assembly of Divines established 7 Scots. 'Solemn League and Covenant' produced by AH
- 1646 Charles I surrenders to the Scottish Army

# Scotland under Cromwell

A period of calm and growth

- 1649 Charles 1 executed by English Par.
- 1650 Charles II comes to Scotland, signs National Covenant
- 1650 Cromwell comes to Scotland
- 1651 (1st January) Charles II crowned King of Scotland at Scone by Marquis of Argyle.
- 1651 Some Scots attack England and are defeated
- 1651 Charles II flees to France and Cromwell rules Scotland and allows freedom of worship
- 1658 Cromwell dies







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#### 1660 - Restoration of Charles II and the onslaught of persecution

- Charles call the 'Drunken Parliament' passes Legislation to make him 1. absolute monarch and repeal all Acts since 1633 - Act Recissory
- Appoints Archbishop Sharp and goes after the Reformation leaders. 2.



Alexander Henderson











- 3. Has the National Covenant publicly burnt.
- Legislates to outlaw Presbyterianism and restores Episcopalianism 8 4.

Archibald Campbell

# Charles II's persecution intensifies

- 1662 (June) The Abjuration Act declares National Covenant illegal and public office bearers had to take an oath accordingly
- 1662 (1st October) The Ejection over 300 ministers forced to leave their churches.







Ministering the Word in the home.

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# The feeding of the flock continued *even in the face of huge fines*



## 1666 Rullion Green ~ the first Battle







Grier

Sir James Turner The route taken to Edinburgh

General Tam Dalziel

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# Rullion Green ~ the consequences



Death on Pentland hillside



Torture



Death on the way home



#### Death at the scaffold



Taken captive



Hung, drawn and quartered

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### 1669 -1672 ~ 'The Carrot' Approach

In the years between 1669-1672 the authorities unable to crush the Covenanters adopted a softer approach which had two elements to it - 'Indulgences' and 'Accommodation'

> - 'Indulgences' were inducements offered to handpicked ejected ministers, men who were considered likely to accept them, to get them to return to their pulpits.

- The 'Accommodation' was a unique attempt to build bridges.

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## 4 Key Covenanter Leaders



Alexander Peden

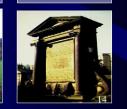








James Renwick





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#### 1st June 1679 - Battle of Drumclog



James Grah

Loudon Hill



Robert Douglas & Sir Robert Hamilton

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# 22nd July '80 - Battle of Airdsmoss



Richard Cameron Lion of the Covenant

22nd June '80 - Sanquhar Declaration





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#### James VII – 'The Killing Times.'

James VII / II becomes king 1685. A Roman Catholic, he oversees a reign of terror; 1685-1688 known as 'The Killing Times'



A typical piece of his legislation was the introduction of the death penalty for attendance at conventicles – introduced 4<sup>th</sup> May 1685



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#### The cost of loving Christ - John Brown



Priest Hill, Muirkirk



Isabel holds the dead body of her husband



John Graham shoots John Brown



John Brown's grave

#### The cost of loving Christ - the Margarets

11<sup>th</sup> May 1685 – Margaret Wilson and Margaret McLauchlane are drowned in the Solway at Wigtown.





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## Memorials Everywhere



# **Glorious Revolution 1688**

- James VII forced to abdicate
- William of Orange and Mary on throne
- Scottish Church established as Presbyterian
- Peace throughout Scotland