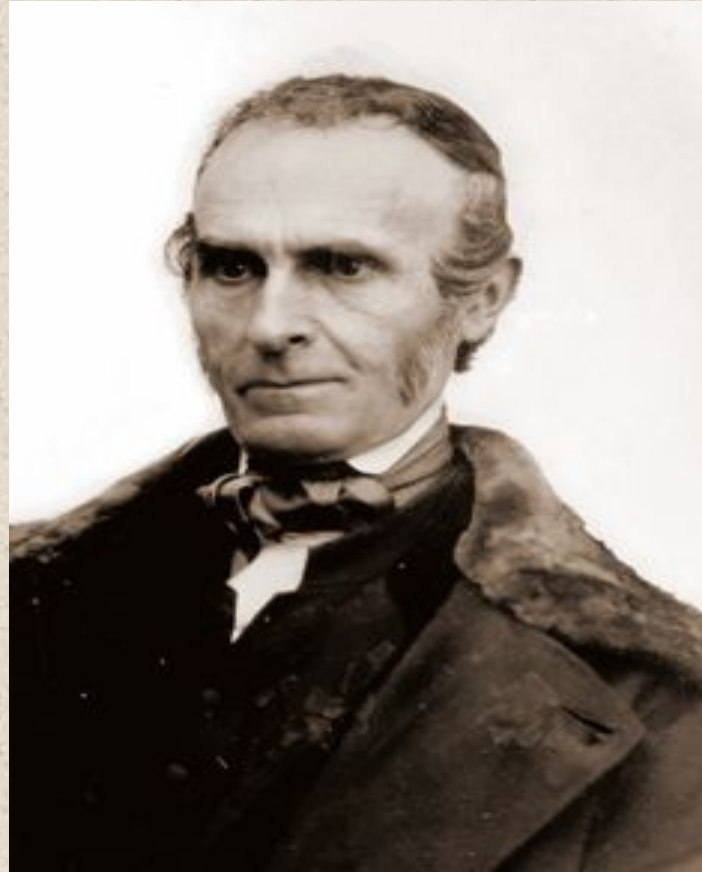




**Ordinary People
Extraordinary Things**

Bruce Ballast

John Greenleaf Whittier



Judges 2:10

After that whole generation had been gathered to their fathers, another generation grew up who knew neither the Lord nor what he had done for Israel.

What Happened?

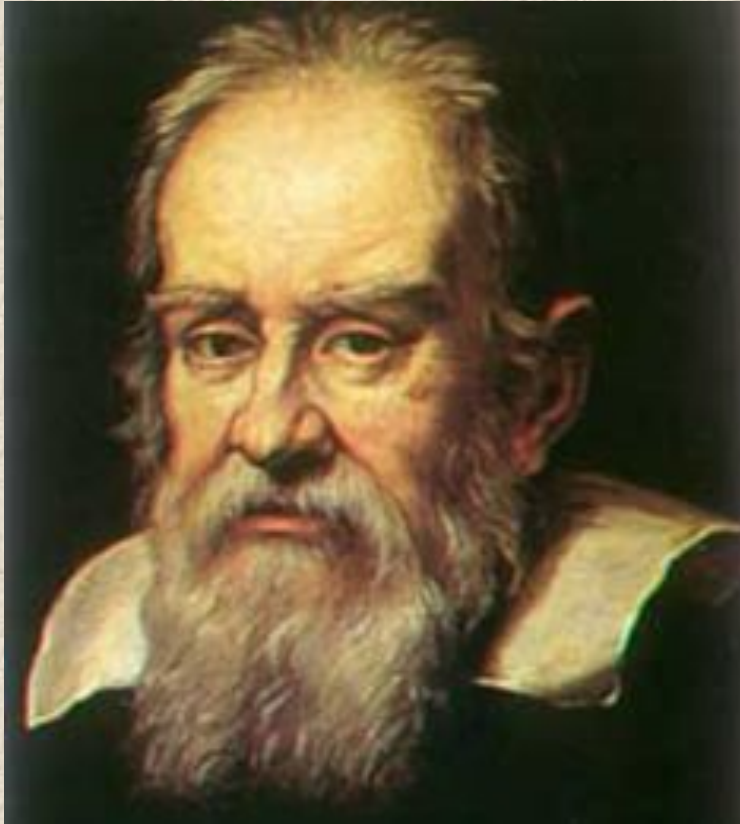
- Enlightenment
- Economy



**Copernicus
1543: “The
Revolution of
the Heavenly
Spheres”**

Galileo

1613: “Letters on Sunspots”



- 1616 Pope forbids teaching
- 1632 – tried for heresy

Isaac Newton



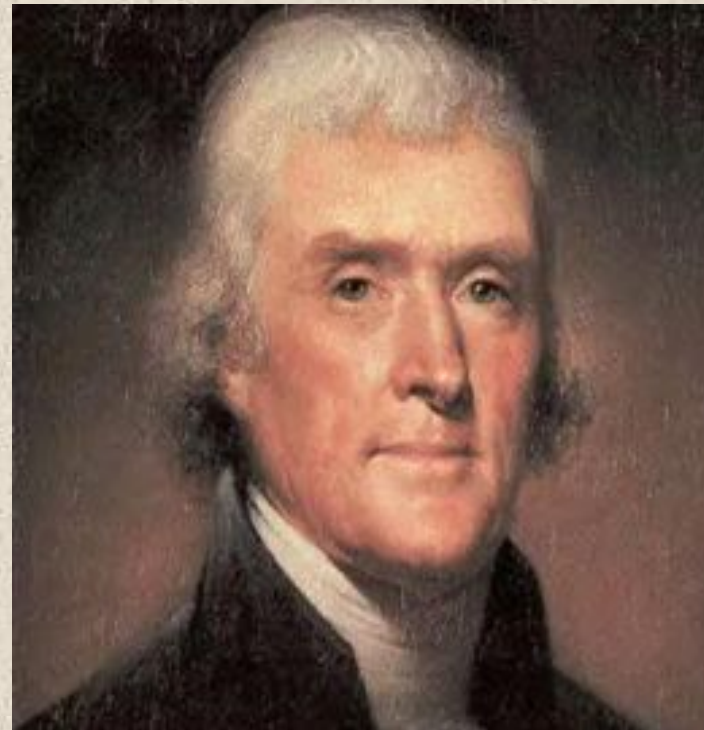
- 1686 Principia Mathematica

Results of the Enlightenment

- God no longer the cause.
- Church seen as old-fashioned
- John Locke applies the ideas of experimentation and rationalization to social problems

How Did It Come To America?

- Thomas Jefferson
- John Adams



The Church's Reaction

- Ignore
- Compromise
- Accommodate
 - A “moral” life is the goal

What Happened?

- Enlightenment
- **Economy**

Poverty
Alcoholism
Depression

Impact on the Church

- Declines in membership
- Immoral life
- College students
- Christianity thought to be coming to an end.
 - Legislature in Kentucky in 1793



How Would God Respond?