



**Ordinary People
Extraordinary Things**

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The Results of the Second Great Awakening

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The Waves of Revival

1800

1807 to 1808

War of 1812

1832 Finney in the East

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Schisms

New Lights vs. Old Lights

Conservatives vs. Liberals

(Unitarian Church)

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- Was: Awakening to guilt;
- Attempt to find peace—"time of being under trouble"
- Yielding

New Measures

- New: Planning for revival
 - Preaching style
 - Prayer preceding
 - Quality of prayer
 - Role of women
 - House to house canvass by “Holy Bands”
- Inquiry Meeting
- Protracted Meeting

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- Mormons
Jehovah's Witnesses
Seventh Day Adventist

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Temperance

Anti-Slavery

Moral Reform

Sunday School

Bible Society

Tract Society

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American Board of
Commissioners for
Foreign Missions

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In the United States the sovereign authority is religious, and consequently hypocrisy must be common; but there is no country in the world where the Christian religion retains a greater Influence over the souls of men than in America;
and there can be no greater proof of its utility and of its conformity to human nature than that its influence is powerfully felt over the most enlightened and free nation of the earth.