

# How the Renowned Crowd Around is Profound

Hebrews 12:1,2

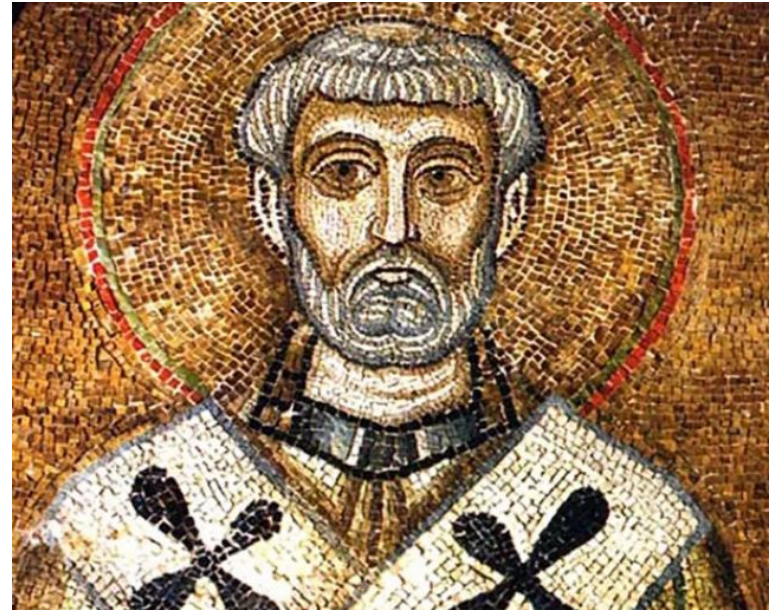
# Clement of Rome (? - 99)

Bishop/Pastor of Rome

Suggested Reading:

- [1 Clement](#):

<http://www.earlychristianwritings.com>



# Too many to go through 100-300s

Ignatius, Bishop of Antioch

Irenaeus, Bishop in Gaul

Polycarp, disciple of Apostle John

Hippolytus

Eusebius of Caesarea

Origen

Cyprian of Alexandria

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<http://www.earlychristianwritings.com>

# St. Jerome (342-420)

Christian Theologian and  
Translator

Notable Works:

- Vulgate (Latin translation of the Old & New Testaments)
- Other works of theology



# St. Augustine of Hippo (354-430)

Bishop/Pastor at Hippo  
(modern day northern Algeria)

Suggested Reading:

- Confessions
- City of God
- Letters



# Martin Luther (1483-1546)

Catholic priest who tried to reform the Catholic church from the inside. One of the most influential reformers (if not the most) of the 15th century.

Notable works:

- Commentaries on books of the New Testament
- Sermons
- Translated NT into German
- Letters



# John Calvin (1509-1564)

Catholic priest turned reformer.

Notable works:

- Institutes of the Christian Religion (1536) which was a defense of the reformers' position
- Calvin's Commentaries
- Calvin's Sermons



# John Bunyan (1628 - 1688)

English Preacher imprisoned for 12 years for preaching without a license.

Suggested Reading:

- The Pilgrim's Progress
- Grace Abounding to the Chief of Sinners



# John & Charles Wesley (1628 - 1688)

English Field Preachers & hymn writers

Notable Hymns:

- Love Divine, All Loves Excelling
- O For a Thousand Tongues
- Christ the Lord is Risen Today
- Hark, the Herald Angels Sing
- Jesus, Lover of My Soul
- And Can It Be?



# Elizabeth Prentiss (1818 - 1878)

Pastor's wife in NYC

Prolific writer

Mother of 6

## Suggested Reading:

- Hymn: More Love to Thee (473, Baptist Hymnal)
- [Stepping Heavenward](#)
  - mentions Thomas à Kempis' book Imitation of Christ (1380–1471)



# Charles Haddon Spurgeon (1834–1892)

British Baptist Preacher  
The Prince of Preachers

Suggested Reading:

- The Treasury of David
- <https://www.spurgeon.org/>



# C. S. Lewis (1898–1963)

Oxford Professor turned  
Christian by influence of  
J.R.R. Tolkien and others.

Suggested Reading:

- The Chronicles of Narnia
- The Screwtape Letters
- Mere Christianity
- The Four Loves



# Charles L. Feinberg (1909-1995)

Professor of Hebrew and Old Testament. Converted to Christianity while studying to become a Rabbi. (from Pittsburgh, PA!)

Suggested Reading:

- Anything he ever wrote!
- Old Testament Commentaries



# R. C. Sproul (1939–2017)

Christian Pastor and Theologian (also from Pittsburgh, PA!). One of the most influential theologians of our lifetime.

## Suggested Reading:

- Many free sermons here:  
<https://www.ligonier.org/>
- Chosen By God
- Knowing Scripture
- The Holiness of God
- Essential Truths of the Christian Faith



# Albert Mohler (born 1959)

Pastor and President of Southern Seminary

Suggested:

- Daily Podcast of Christian perspective on current events: <https://albertmohler.com/the-briefing>
- Conviction to Lead
- He is not Silent
- We Cannot Be Silent

