

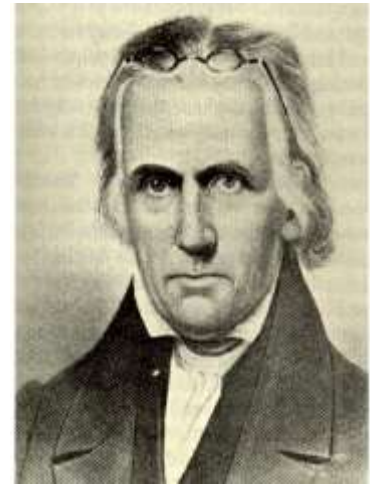
“Exploring the Relationship between Faith, Tradition and Culture” Sermon Series



Lesson #4— *What do we need to know about our own Restoration Movement?*



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Introduction

- **Every church stands in two steams of tradition at once**
- **“Pioneers of our Restoration Movement”**
- ***The Fool of God*—a biographical novel on the life of Alexander Campbell**
- **Four Pioneers & a few highlights**
- **End with 5 Questions**

Alexander Campbell



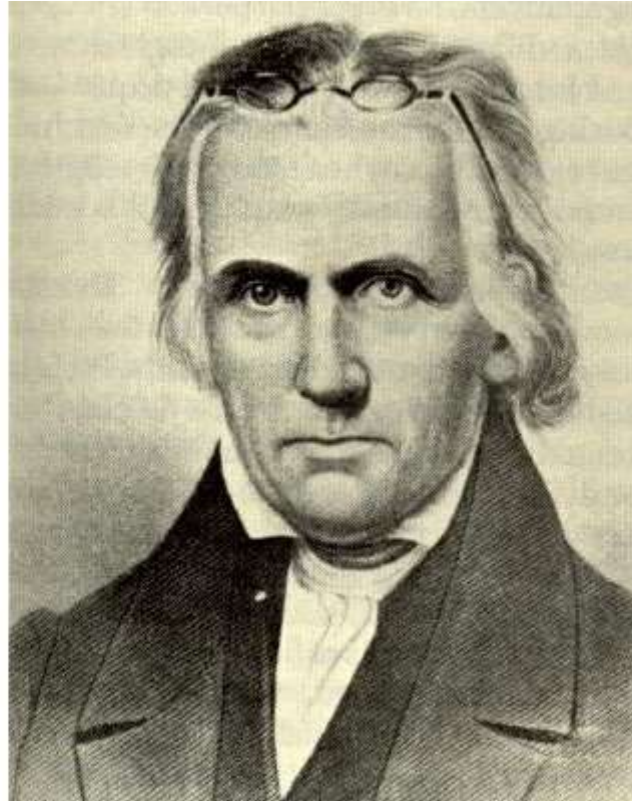
1788 – 1866

Alexander Highlights



- **Communion Token—Tale of the Tossed Token!**
- **Came to U.S. in 1809 after shipwreck**
- **Mahoning Association**
- **Bethany College & Publications**

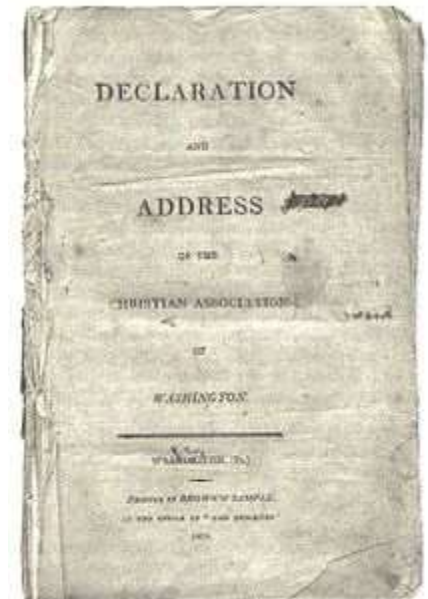
Thomas Campbell



1777-1844

Thomas Highlights

- **Born in Scotland, came to the U.S. first**
- **1809 Published the *Declaration and Address***



Barton W. Stone



1772-1844

Barton's Highlights

- “Christian unity is our polar star”
- Editor of Christian Messenger
- Co-author of “*Last Will and Testament of the Springfield Presbytery*” in 1804
- Unity meeting of January 1, 1832

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1796-1861

Five-Finger Exercise



Walter's Highlights

- **Traveling Evangelist**
- **Alexander unsure of his success on the frontier**
- **Five-Finger exercise**

Conclusion

- **The story about Jon Peters . . .**
as a ministry student when I taught Restoration History
at Great Lakes Christian College
- **Two Scriptures**
- **5 Questions**



Question #1

How important is Christian unity, and what part can Highland View play in that ongoing quest? Is it indeed our “polar star?”



Question #2

What does it mean for our own religious identity to see ourselves today as part of the universal church?



Question #3

Are we willing to admit that there are Christians in other denominations?



Question #4

Are we willing to cooperate and fellowship with other Christians?



Question #5

Do we have a personal testimony of our own salvation dynamic & real enough to share with others if the 5-finger exercise is not adequate to talk about salvation?

