

Calvin's *Institutes of the Christian Religion*  
1 Introduction

1. Overview

(a) In Calvin's day, *institutio* meant \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_

2. John Calvin

(a) Born in \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, France

(b) Converted about \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Fled Paris for \_\_\_\_\_ hoping to lead a life of \_\_\_\_\_

(d) Wrote the *Institutes* to explain how Protestant beliefs \_\_\_\_\_

(e) The first edition of the *Institutes* was published in \_\_\_\_\_

(f) While stopping in Geneva, \_\_\_\_\_ told Calvin God would curse him if he did not stay in Geneva to help with the work there

(g) After 2 years, Calvin was driven out of Geneva because \_\_\_\_\_

(h) While in Strasbourg Calvin wrote a new edition of the *Institutes* and a commentary on Romans

(i) Calvin returned to Geneva in \_\_\_\_\_

3. The *Institutes*

(a) The 1559 edition was about \_\_\_\_\_ as long as the 1536 edition

(b) According to Calvin, true wisdom consists of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

(c) Calvin's purposes in writing the *Institutes* were

i. To show that \_\_\_\_\_ is orthodox doctrine

ii. To \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ believers in understanding what God meant to \_\_\_\_\_ us in His word.

(d) The subjects of the four Books of the *Institutes* are

i. Knowledge of \_\_\_\_\_

ii. Knowledge of \_\_\_\_\_

iii. Obtaining the \_\_\_\_\_

iv. The \_\_\_\_\_

Next week:

The Knowledge of God; The Role of Scripture and the Spirit; The Trinity

Institutes 1.1-13 (Book 1, Chapters 1-13; about 102 pages)

1689 LRBC: 1.6, 2.1-3

Rom. 1:18-23; Ps. 19:1, 1 Cor. 3:19, 1 Tim. 4:13

Sources:

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*Calvin's Institutes*, Donald K. McKim - <http://amzn.to/2nHxk1A>