THE GREAT AWAKENING

Methodism and the Evangelical Revivals in England and North America
‘Holy Club’ at Oxford 1730s
The Reverend John Wesley
Whitefield’s preaching tours in New England
John Wesley preaching outdoors in England
When he returned to London, churches were opened on week days and constables were placed at the doors to prevent too many people from forcing their way into the buildings. At Bermondsey church, nearly 1,000 people stood outside the church unable to hear his message. Whitefield felt a strong compulsion to go out and preach to this crowd from the tombstones.
Preaching to coal mining community at Kingswood, Bristol
John Wesley (1703-91) and his legacy

• Methodist itinerant preachers
• Discipleship classes
• Annual conference for preachers

• Schools, clinics, housing, pension fund

• Charles Wesley’s hymns
Sir Charles Middleton (1726-1813)
Admiral Lord Barham
Rev. James Ramsay
surgeon, clergyman, pioneer
Abolitionist
Slaving ship from Bristol
William Wilberforce
Member of Parliament
Clapham parish church
London slums
Rev. Dr. Thomas Chalmers
academic, theologian, social reformer