

# Church History Literacy

## Anabaptists, Hutterites, Mennonites, Amish and Brethren Part 2

### Lesson 57

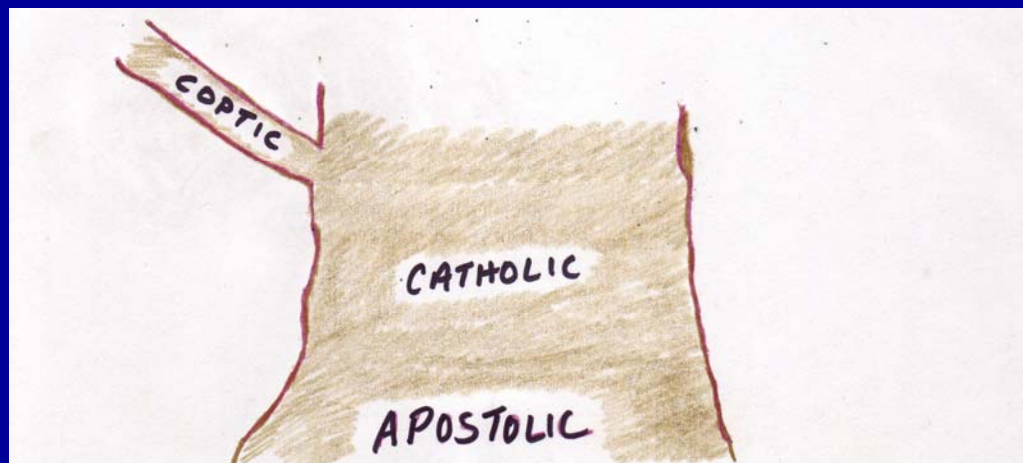
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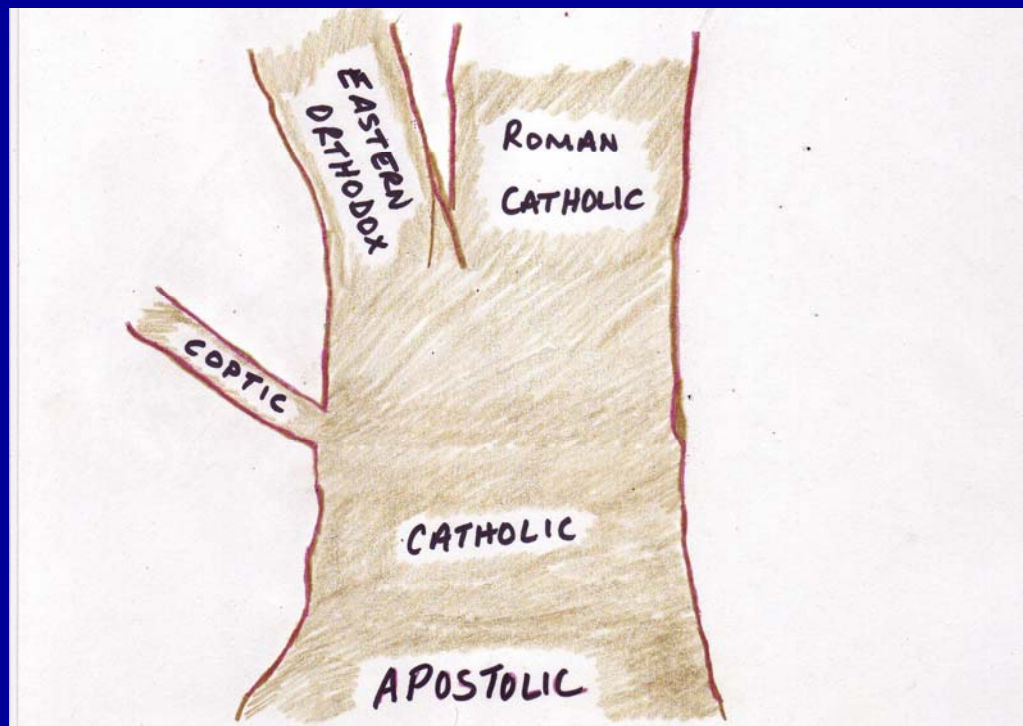
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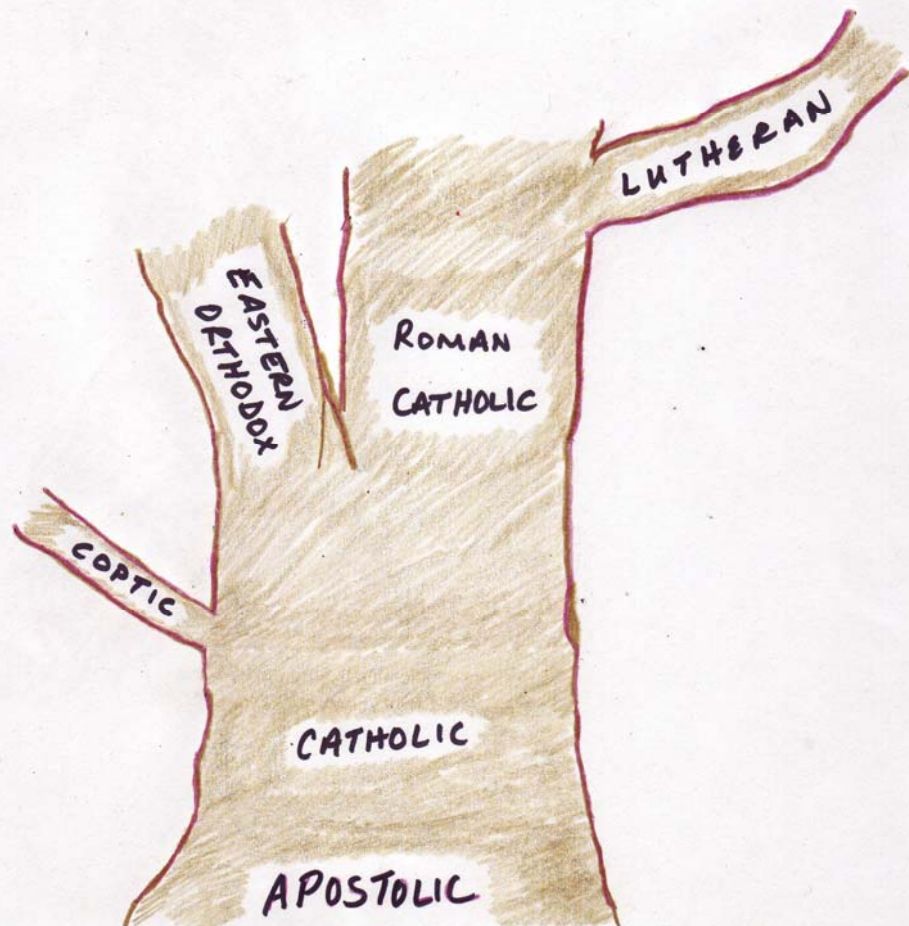
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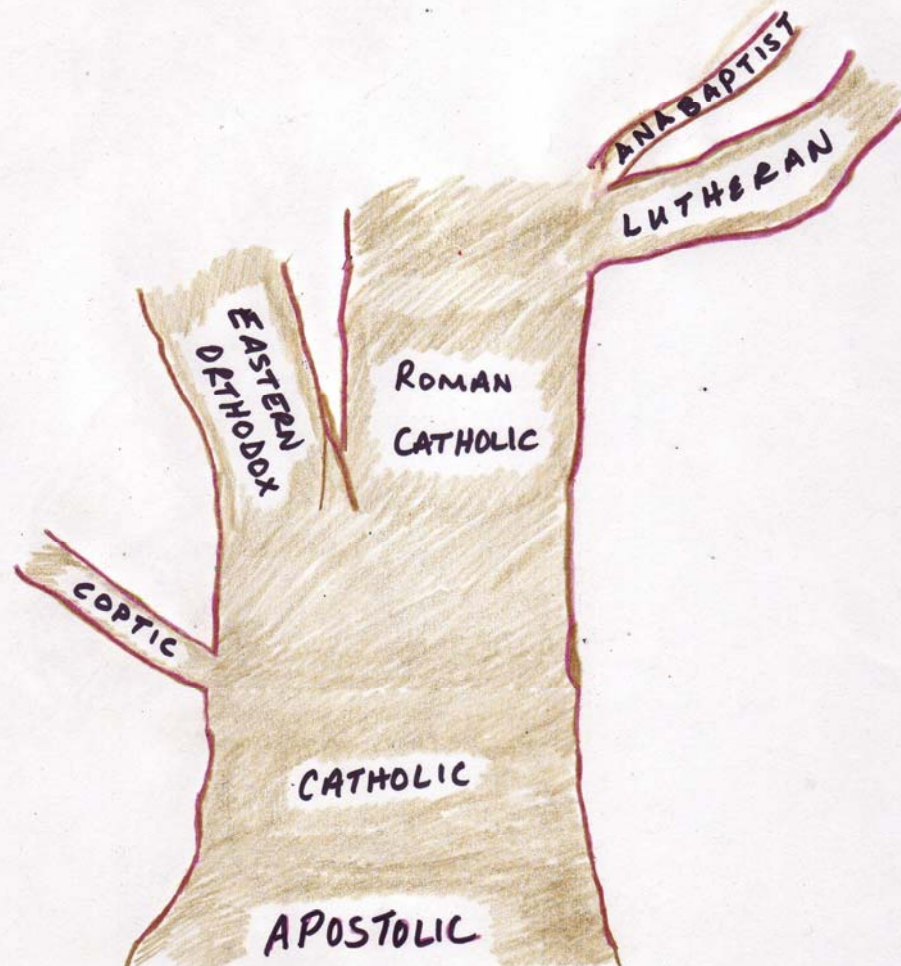
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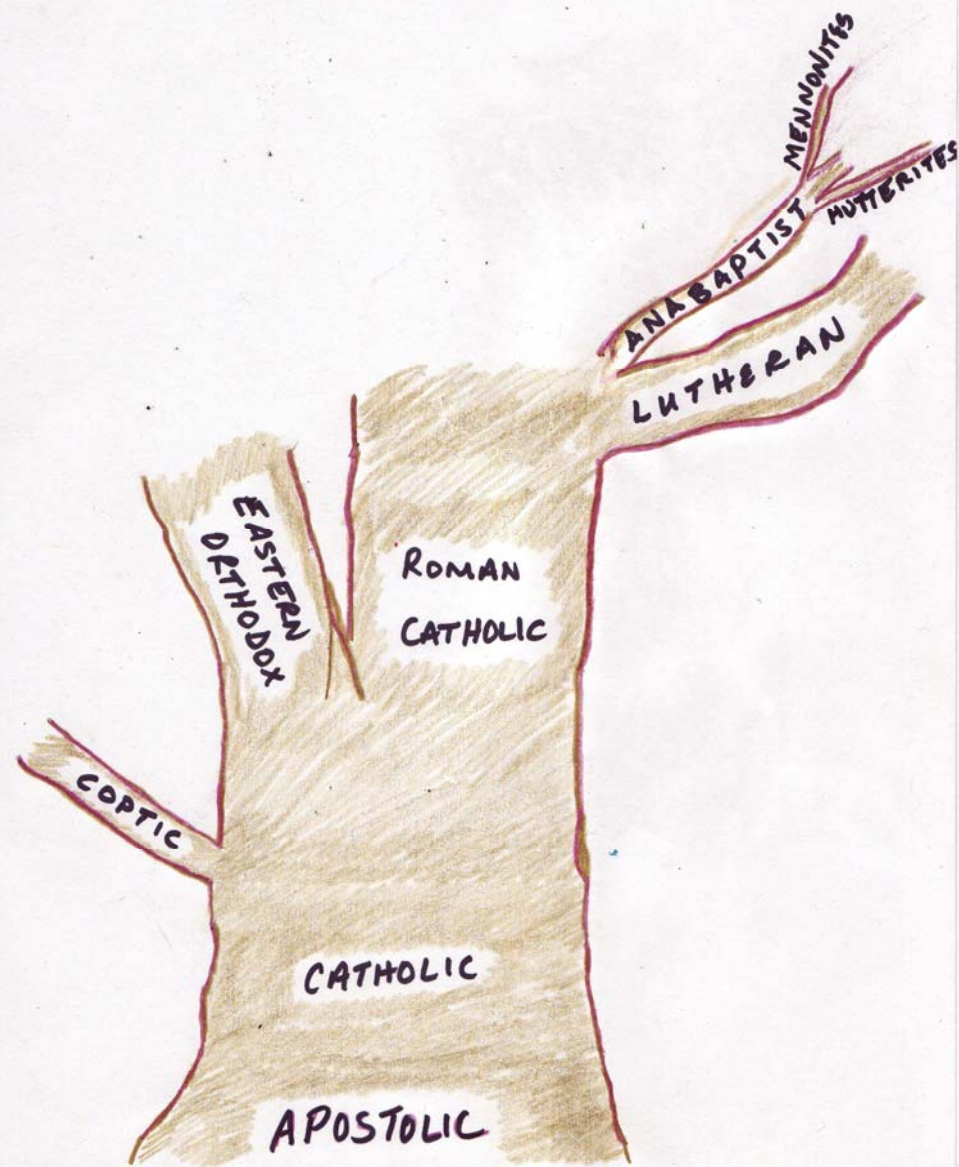




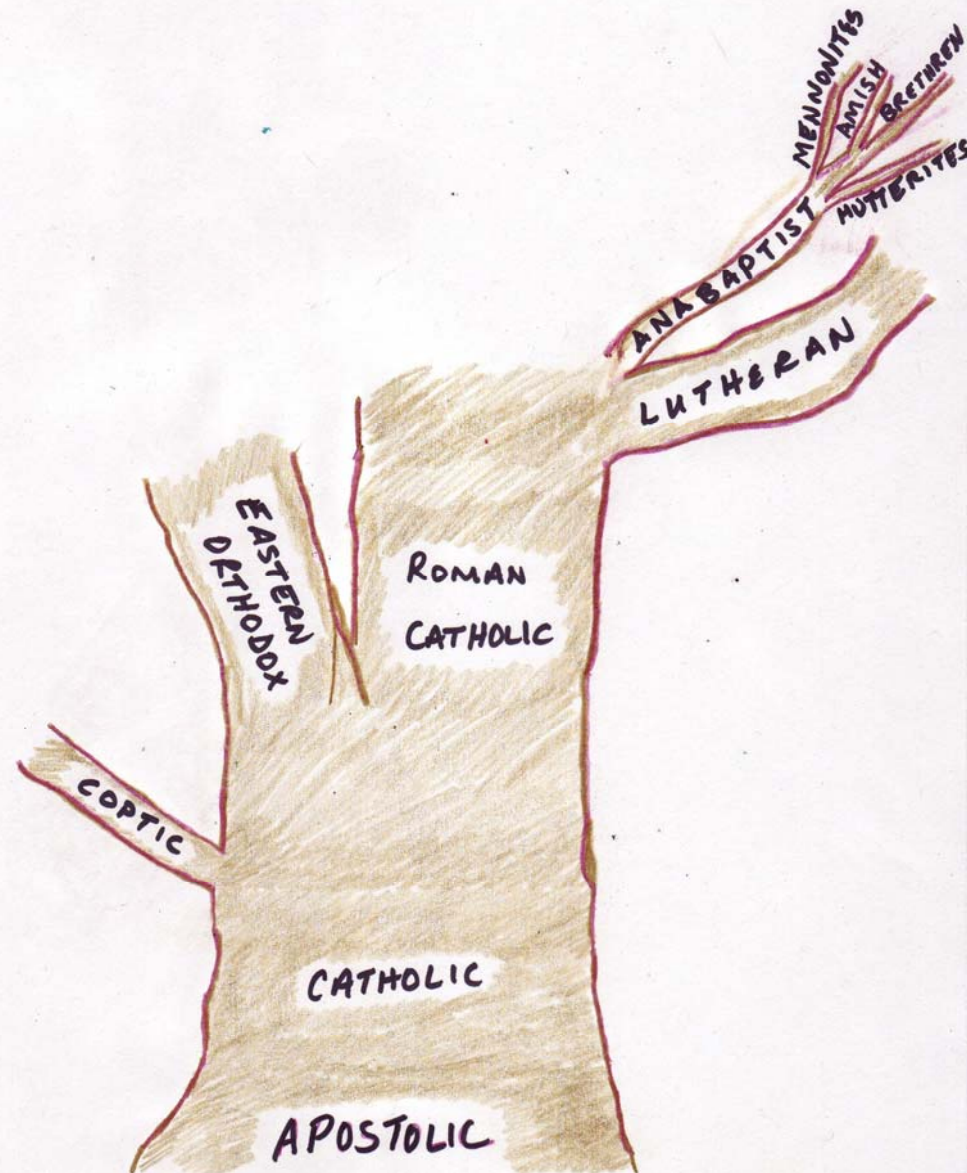












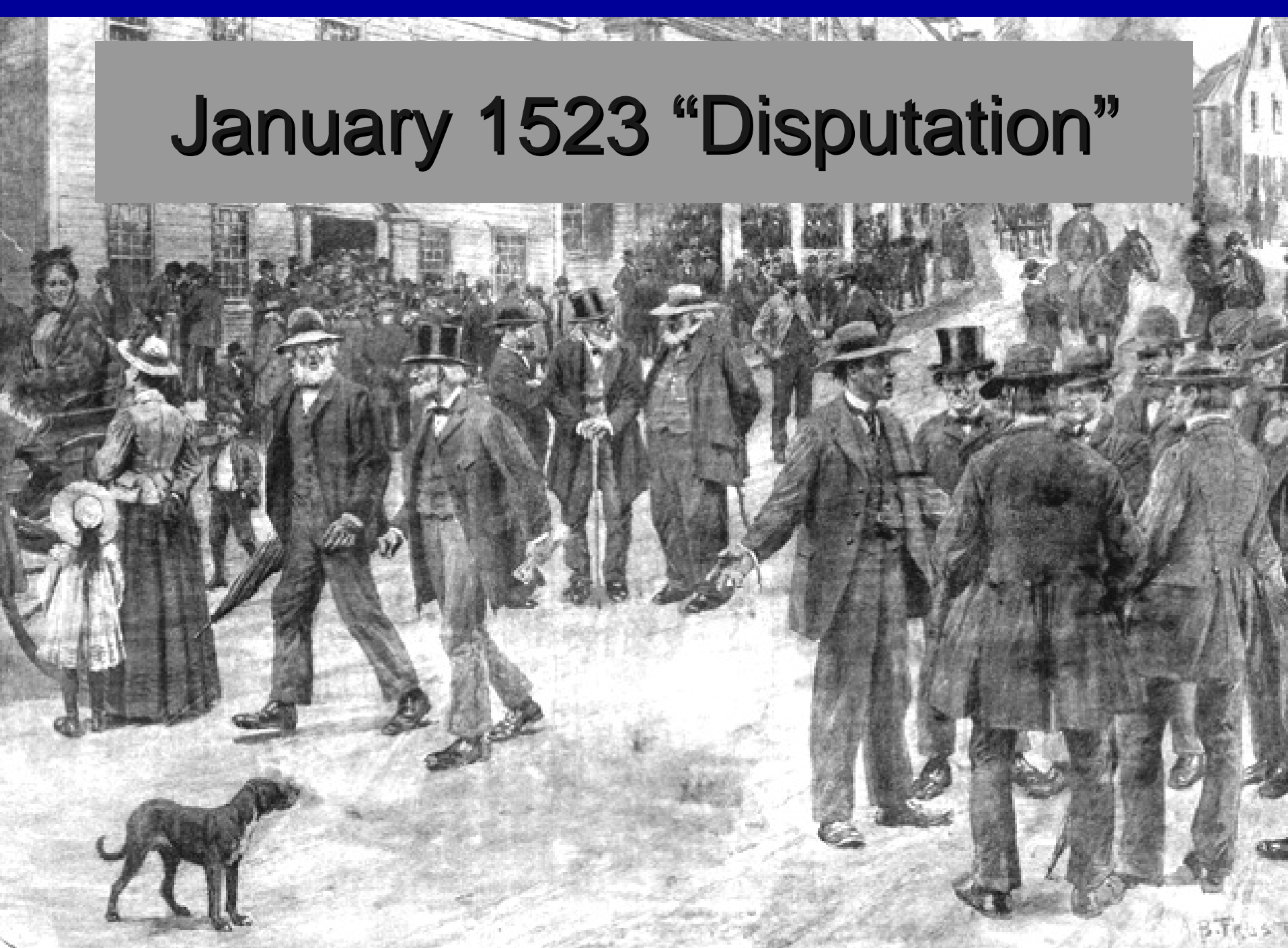




# Ulrich Zwingli

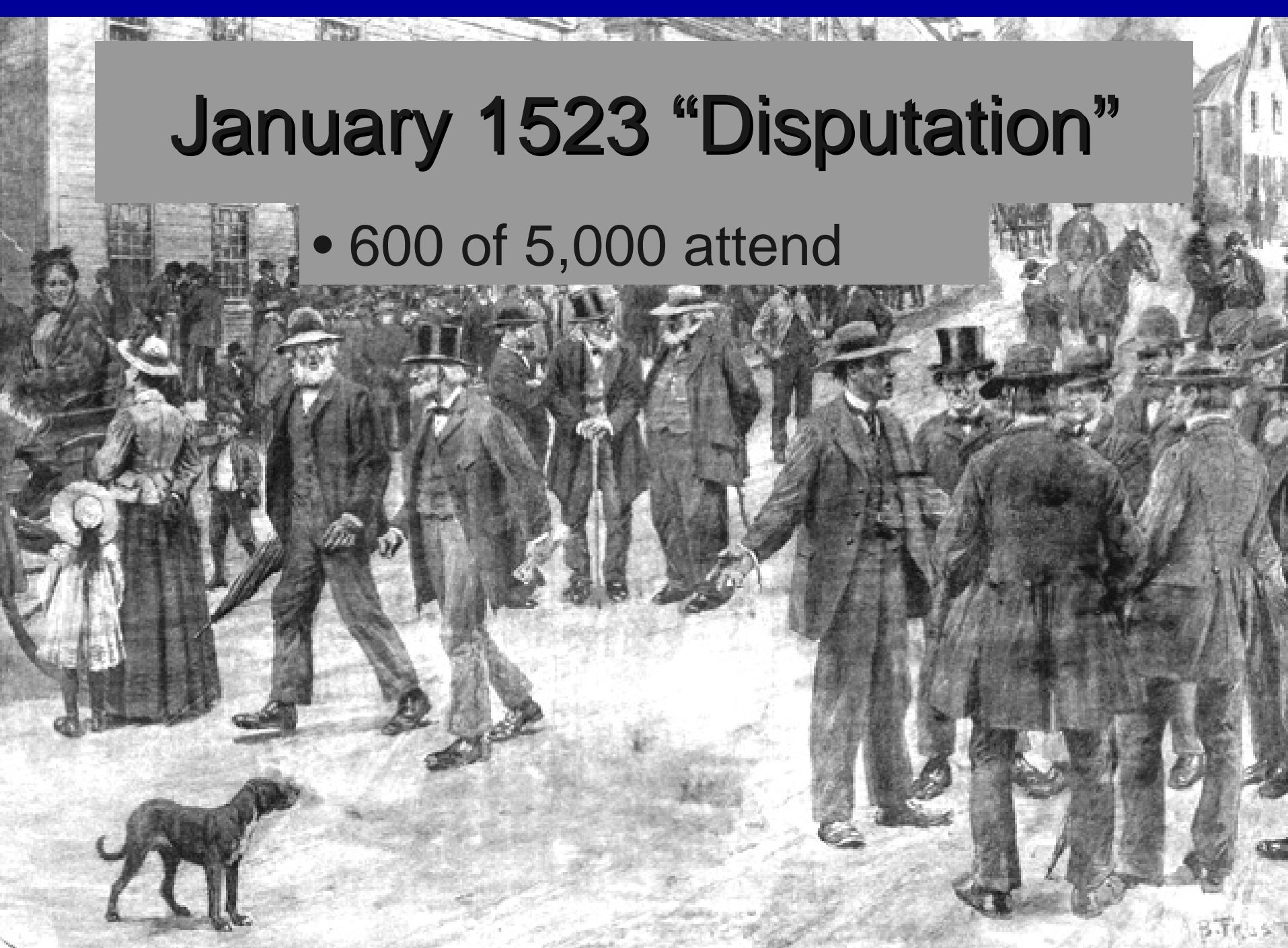
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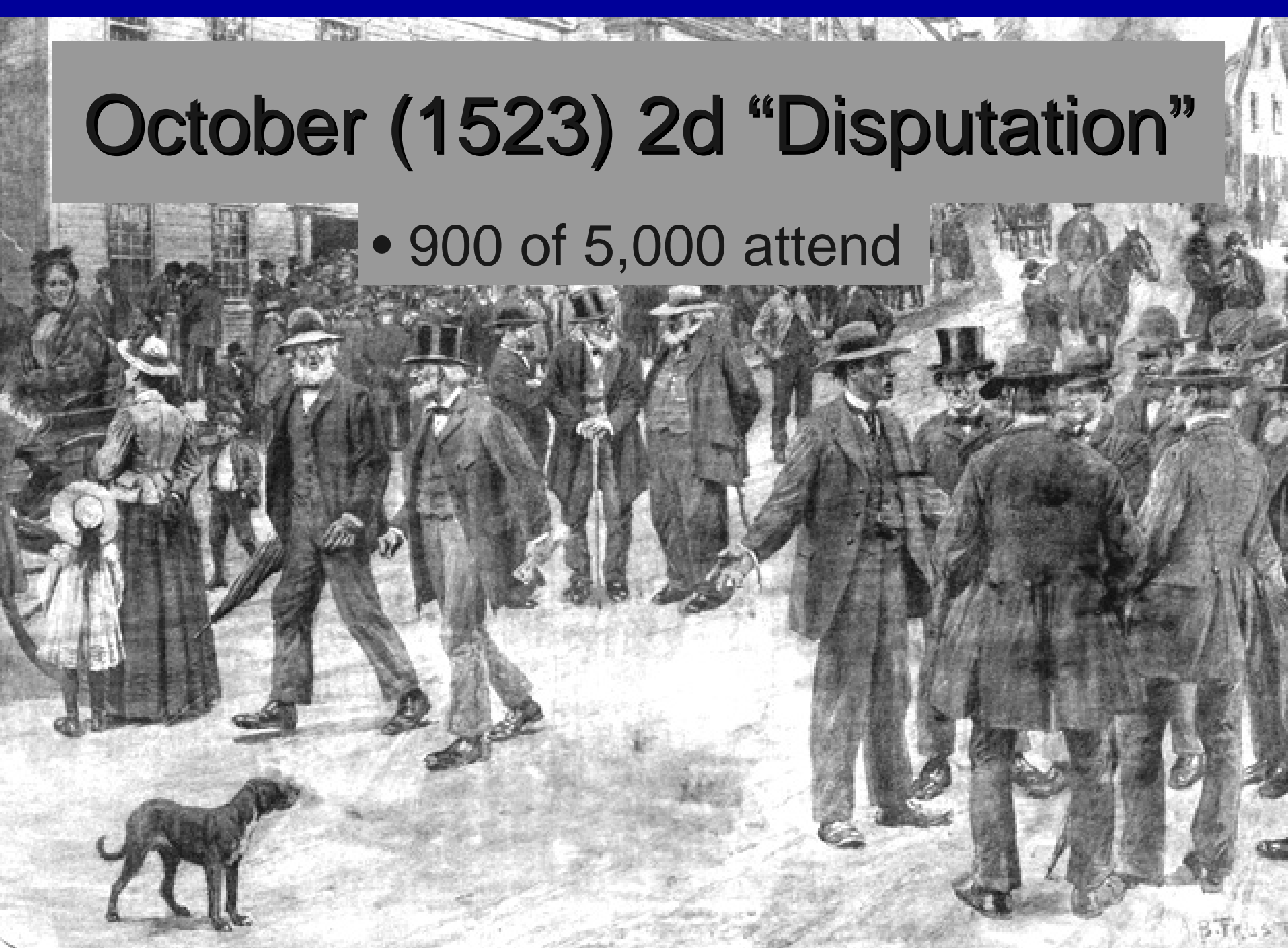


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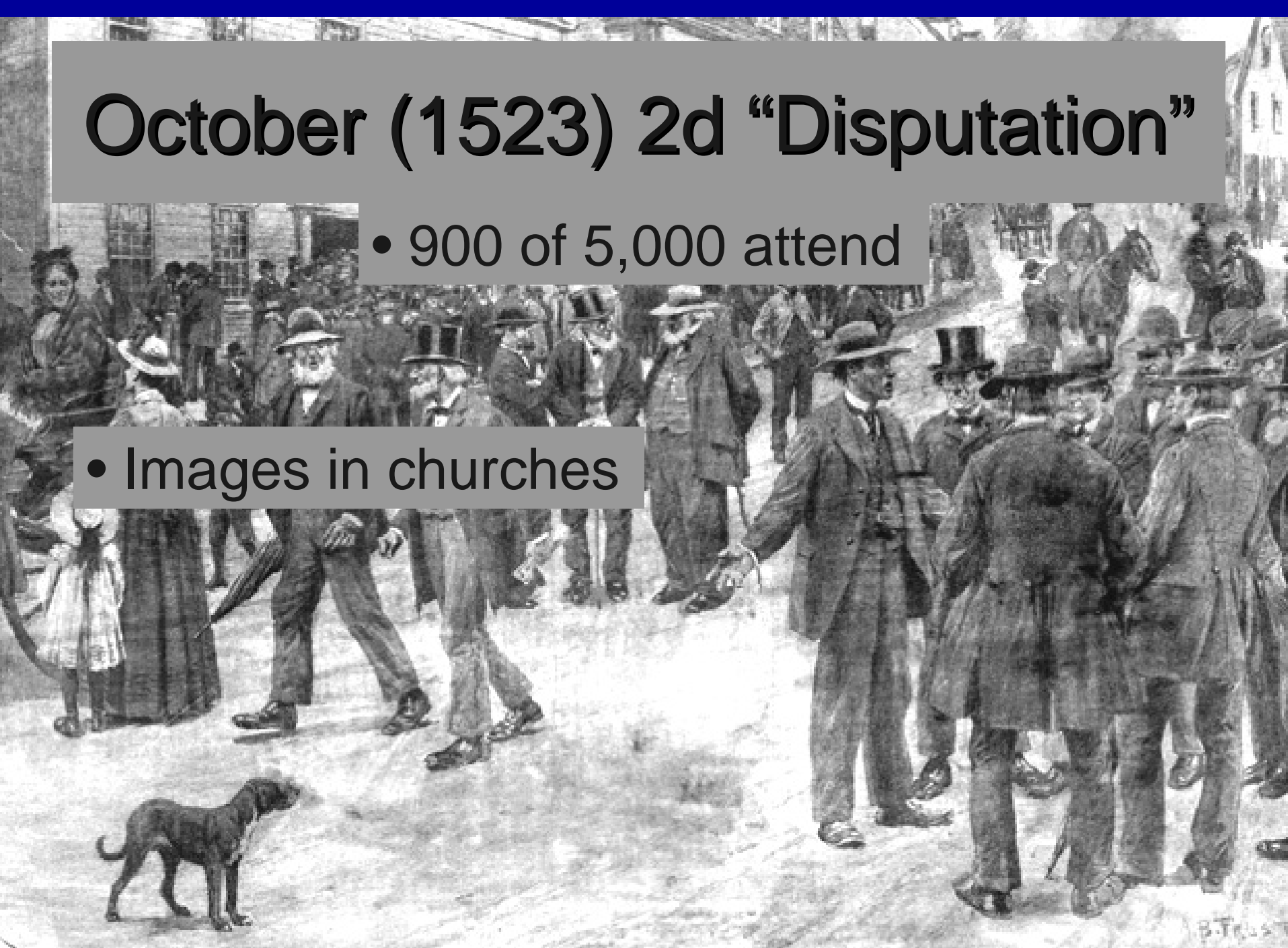
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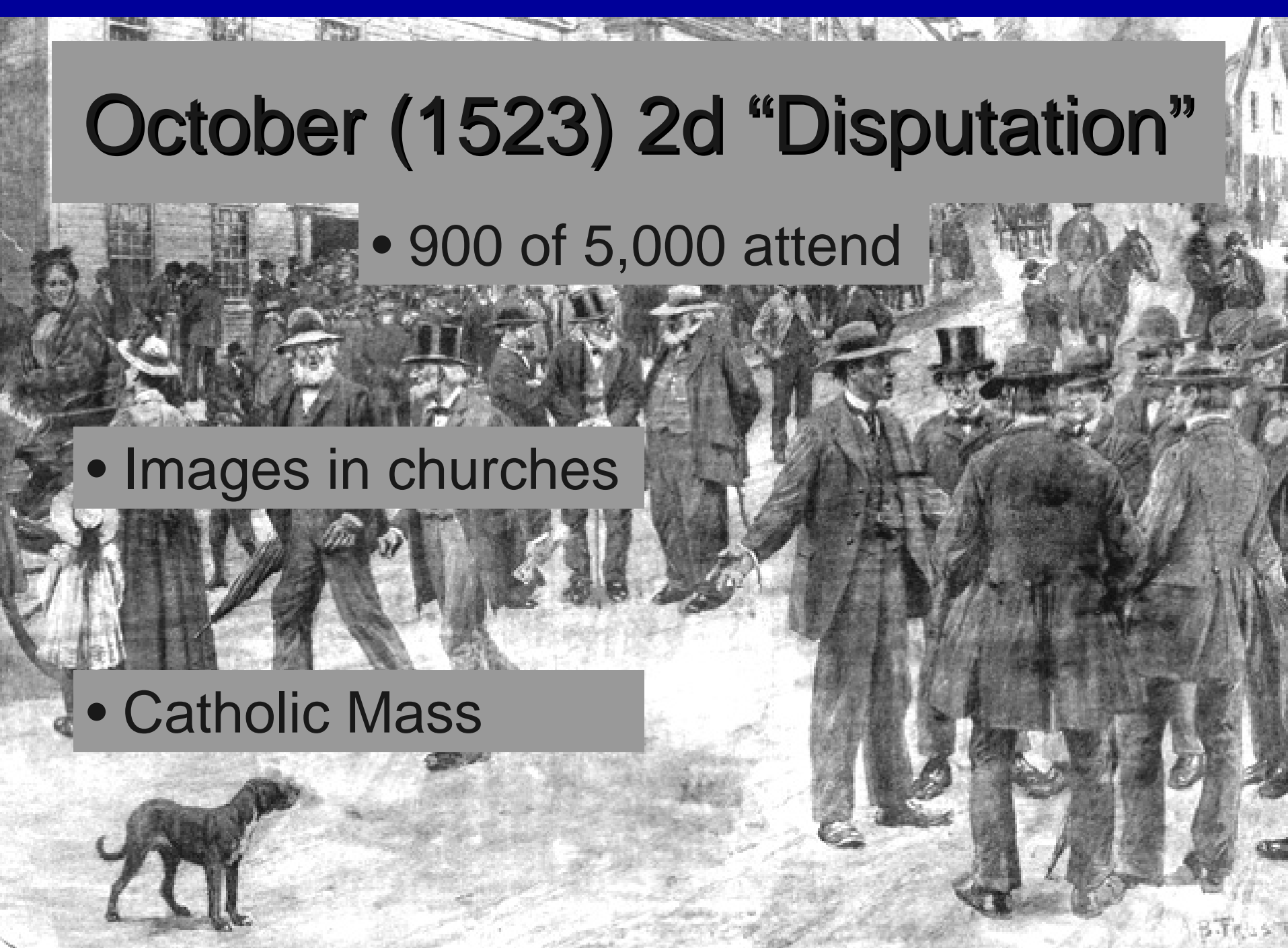


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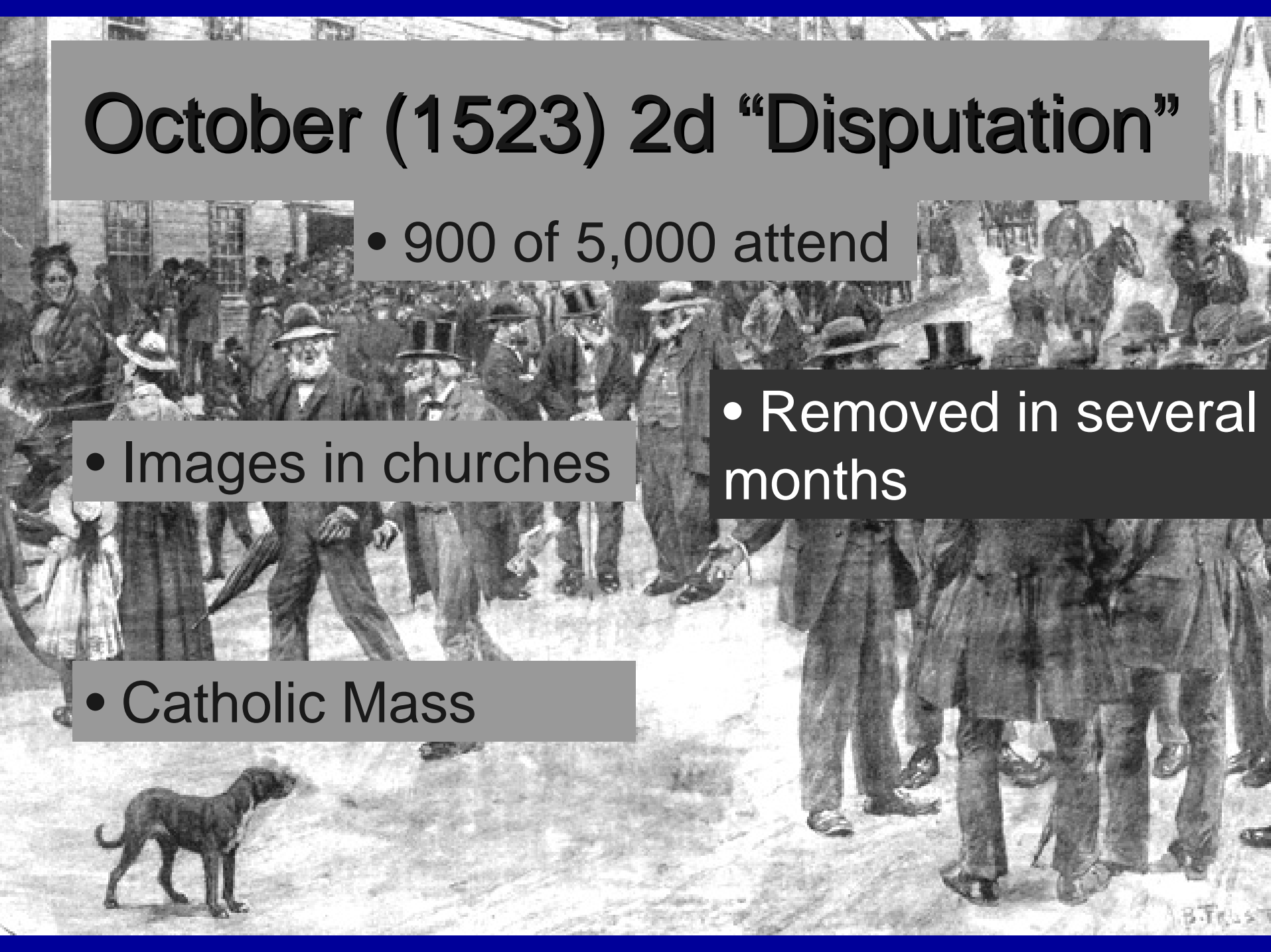
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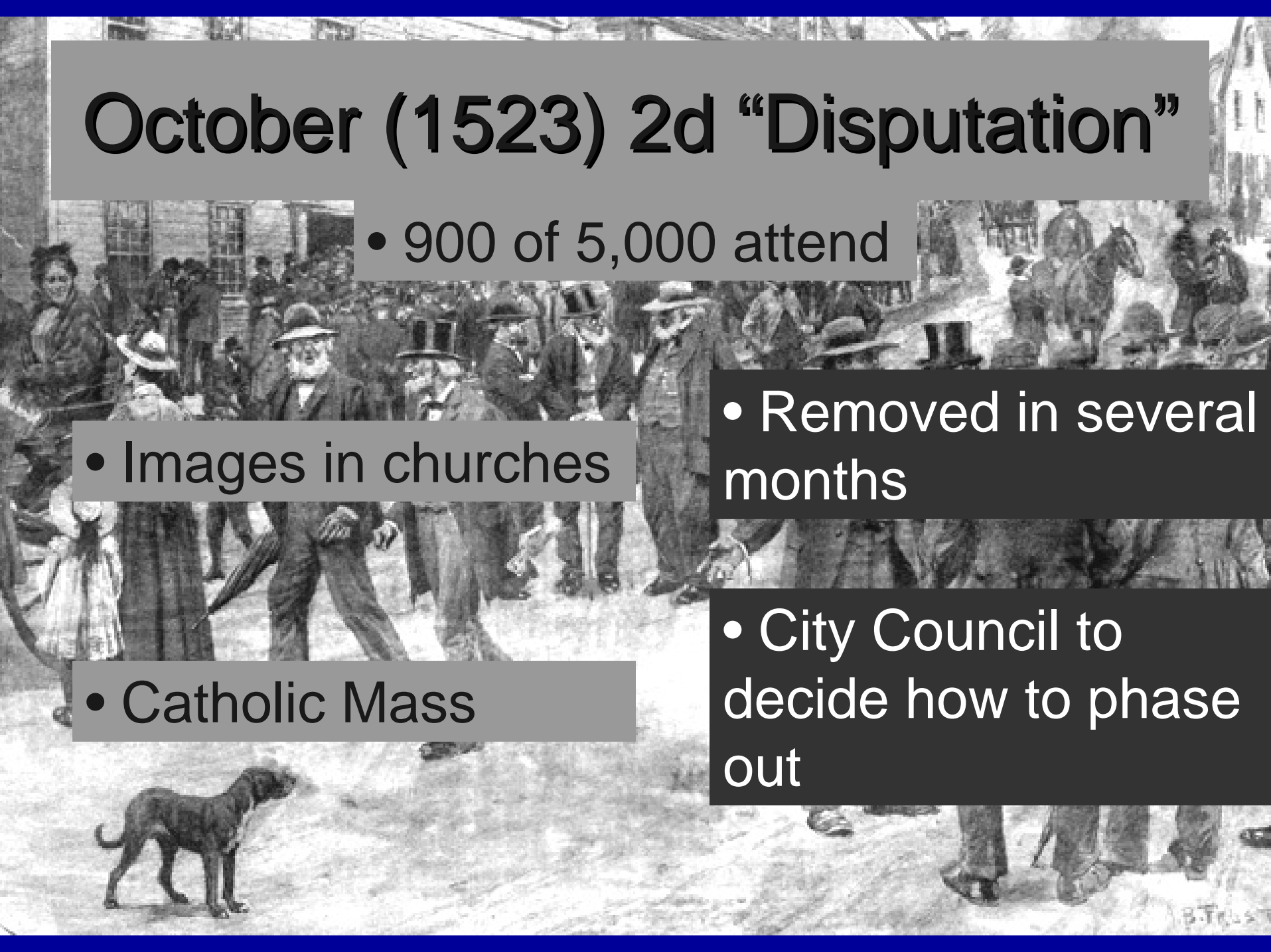
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- City Council to decide how to phase out









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The Council is only deciding implementation

# The Line of Dispute



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Does  
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Or does the  
“Church body”  
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# The Line of Dispute

Does

anyone

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**What is the Church?**

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# The straw that broke ...





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A group of people, likely Amish or Mennonite, are standing outdoors in a field. They are wearing traditional clothing, including hats, suspenders, and long skirts. The group consists of men, women, and children. Some are looking towards the camera, while others are looking away. The background is a clear blue sky and a grassy field.

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- Separating from the evil world

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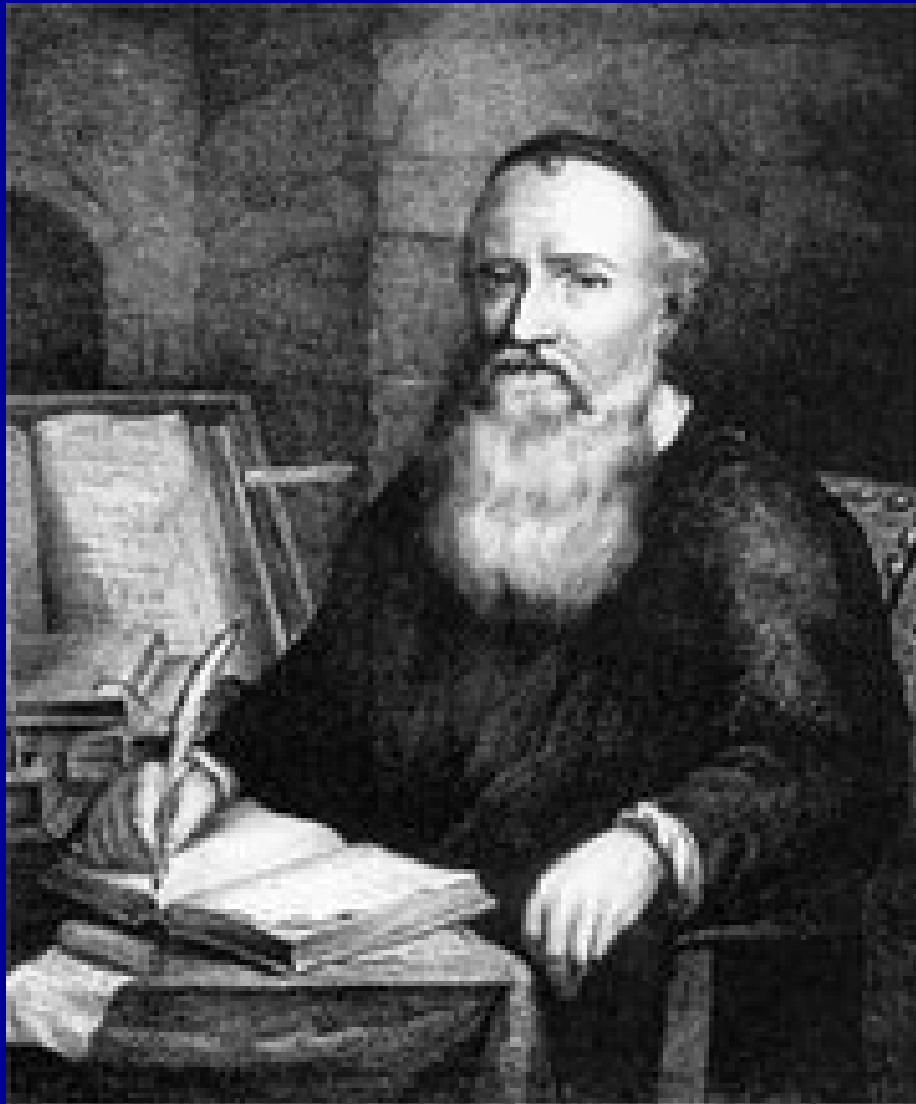


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- Body of Christ created with Mary or only the Holy Spirit?



# Modern Mennonites

# Jakob Ammann 1693



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Split over the “BAN”



# The Amish today



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## The main “immersers”



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“Accept him whose faith is weak without passing judgment on disputable matters... Who are you to judge someone else’s servant? (Rom. 14:1-4)

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“Make it your ambition to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business and to work with your hands, just as we told you, so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.”

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“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called sons of God.” (Mt. 5:43-47)

# Points for Home

- “Our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms” (Eph. 6:12)

# Points for Home

- Jesus and the apostles did preach baptism

“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.”

(Mt 28:19-20)