

## "Great Awakening" --(1741)

- series of revivals, not just one
- began several generations after arrival at Plymouth Rock (120+ yrs)
- decline in morals & values
- says a lot about Puritan Values by then  
(you don't need to be "awakened"  
unless you've "fallen asleep")

## "Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God"

- possibly the most famous sermon ever preached (many times, too)
- 1741 (120 yrs after Puritans' arrival)
- 6 hours long!!
  - calm demeanor, needed to stop many times and ask for quiet
- What is a sermon?
  - a speech intended to inform, persuade, or challenge opinions

## **"Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God"**

- speaker must capture and keep the attention of the listeners**
- Persuasion through Fear**

## **"Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God"**

**-- Consider these 3 questions:**

- 1) Why would people in 1741 sit through a 6-hour sermon, without leaving?**
- 2) Would it have the same effect today?**
- 3) Is FEAR an effective motivator?**

## **"Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God"**

### **3 Themes:**

- 1) Corrupt sinners face a fearful judgement**
- 2) Time is short--God's wrath will come suddenly and unexpectedly**
- 3) It is only God's mercy that extends the opportunity to repent**

**Jonathan Edwards:**

**"Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God"**

**--Purpose:**

**--Vivid IMAGERY in the sermon: (at least 5)**

**--Summary:**