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Christian History Made Easy (Rose Bible Basics)

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## **42. Chapter Eleven (1780–1914): Discussion and Review Session**

This is a teacher's session guide, not a narrative chapter. It sets up a class meeting to review Chapter Eleven's history (1780–1914) using a Christmas theme and biographies of Christians who let God break through human limits.

### **Key takeaways**

- The session's core theme: God's only boundary is His own nature. People wrongly try to fence God in — by denomination, race, or tradition.
- It uses the modern history of Christmas as a warning: the 19th century reshaped Christmas around human reason and goodness (e.g., Dickens' *A Christmas Carol* transforms Scrooge by 'the spirit of Christmas,' not Christ), crowding out a personal relationship with Jesus.
- Students research five Christians who went 'out of bounds' for God (Carey, Carmichael, Crosby, Judson, Moon, Taylor, Wilberforce, and others) and identify boundaries Christians can still break today.

- The activity answers restate core doctrines: Jesus is God, virgin-born, died for sinners, rose and will return, and the Bible is without error.
- Includes practical plans: worship with 19th-century hymns, learning-activity review, group sharing, and prayer.

## Passages worth keeping

*“God's only limit is God's own nature, as expressed in Scripture.”*

The one idea the whole session is built to teach.

## How it connects

The lesson pairs missionary and reformer biographies with the Great Commission spirit: God repeatedly works outside the limits people set for Him.

## Scripture referenced

- **John 1:1** -- Jesus is God
- **Matthew 1:18** -- the virgin birth
- **1 John 2:2** -- Jesus died as a sacrifice for sinners
- **Acts 1:3-11** -- resurrection and promised return
- **2 Timothy 3:16-17** -- the Bible without error