

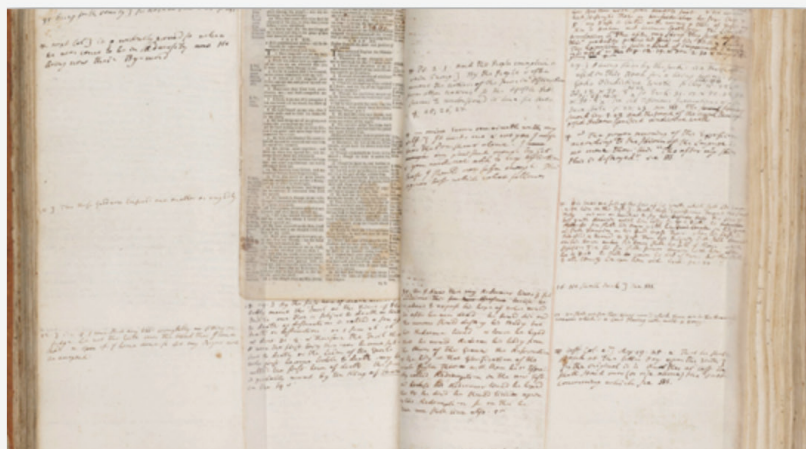
Jonathan Edwards

The *Works of Jonathan Edwards Online* is a collection of writings and articles from Jonathan Edwards. The collection contains edited published works and raw manuscripts.

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Initiative to Fund New Digital Platform for the *Works of Jonathan Edwards Online*

The Jonathan Edwards Center offices can be found on the Quad of Yale Divinity School, but its primary mission of supporting inquiry into the life and legacy of Jonathan Edwards is realized via the *Works of Jonathan Edwards Online*. The Center operates the digital platform free of charge to anyone interested in the critical appraisal of Edwards' historical importance and contemporary relevance.

Since its launch in 2006, Edwards's popularity has grown to global proportions thanks to the open-access availability of his writings at edwards.yale.edu. The availability of additional information, better transcriptions and new technology features have skyrocketed in the years since the website's inception, so that website is at risk of losing its ability to serve the expectations of users.

NEW PLATFORM FEATURES

A total of \$40,000 is required for platform design and development, plus content migration. New website features will offer the most current scholarly and technical standards including:

- streamlined searchability
- multiple viewing panes that allow the user to compare manuscript and transcription side-by-side
- high-resolution manuscript scans and links
- community-sourcing project portals
- in-house capacity for upload of new content and revision
- regular back-up and storage



Jonathan Edwards (1703–1758), pastor, revivalist, Christian philosopher, missionary, and college president, is widely regarded as North America's greatest theologian. He is the subject of intense scholarly interest because of the profound legacy he left on America's religious and intellectual landscapes. His writings are being consulted at a burgeoning rate by religious leaders, pastors, and churches worldwide due to the fervency of Edwards's message and the acumen with which he appraised religious experience.



"The Works of Jonathan Edwards Online is a tremendous resource. Because of the richness and range of Edwards's writings, it is especially rewarding to be able to search through them in seconds in order to find out things that might have taken months or years to figure out a generation ago. And it is amazing what one can find out."

— George Marsden, *Francis A. McAnaney Professor of History (Emeritus), University of Notre Dame*

Works of Jonathan Edwards Online

BY THE NUMBERS

250,000 Annual average audience

100 Countries represented by users of the site

75 Volumes in the online archive, including born-digital material

100,000 Pages of material

12 Years old (ancient by modern technology standards)

\$40,000 Cost to launch a new digital platform

THE CASE FOR GIVING

The Jonathan Edwards Center has become a model for digital humanities projects, earning endorsements from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

For centuries, scholars and readers of Edwards had to rely on inaccurate and partial versions of his writings. *The Works of Jonathan Edwards*, the critical edition of Edwards's writings, was created at Yale University in 1953 to overcome these obstacles and are now free and online.

The quality and amount of online resources has created an international network with affiliate centers in ten countries that enable teaching, graduate advising and research, conferencing, and other activities to drive scholarship and dialogue on Edwards and related topics. This renaissance has made Edwards one of the most consulted and referenced figures in religion today. In order to sustain and expand these growing communities, the Edwards Center must update its technology.

Your financial support is a crucial component to ongoing success.

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