



## INTRODUCTION

Overall Baptists have always been a “people of the Book.” They have also been passionate about religious liberty and missions. Most of all, Baptists have been focussed on the Lord Jesus Christ and desire to serve Him. Baptists are a distinct group of God’s people with a 400-year-old history. Baptists also share characteristics with the Anabaptist movement.

## STUDY QUESTIONS

1. Discuss the theories of origin of the Baptists.
2. How are Baptists considered “radical Christians?”
3. Exactly how old are the Baptists and where did they actually begin?
4. What are the leading characteristics of Baptists?