**Church History Outline 42: Mennonites and Progressivism**

I. Throughout the 19th century, American Mennonites were strongly influenced by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 A. Leaders such as John Herr, founder of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Mennonites, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, founder of the Church of God in Christ, Mennonite, combine an emphasis on personal \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ experiences with very strict church \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the tradition of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 B. Other Mennonites went even farther in welcoming \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ changes.

 1. They saw more \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ expression as evidence of spiritual life.

 2. They promoted \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ meetings as ways of fulfilling the church’s responsibility to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 3. They worked toward the higher degree of church \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ typical of other American Protestant groups, such as structured church \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 4. They promoted higher standards of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 5. They hoped to correct what they saw as an overemphasis on traditional \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 C. Important progressives included publisher \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ John S. Coffman.

II. Some Mennonites saw these changes as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to true Christian values.

 A. Many of the changes promoted by progressives seemed to work against \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 B. Progressive ideas elevated the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ above the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 C. Progressives were strongly influenced by non-Anabaptists who were \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in some of their beliefs.

 D. Progressives often seemed weakly committed to traditional Mennonite standards that symbolized \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 E. Progressive ideas tended to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ conversion and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from Christian \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

 F. Serious \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ resulted, often because of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ attitudes on both sides.

III. European Mennonites were more influenced by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and religious liberalism.