



Christian Non-Resistance

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Abstract

Ballou distinguishes his brand of Christian moral resistance to evil from both secular interpretations and from the "passive obedience and nonresistance" imperiously preached by despots to their subjects'. He was active in the Anti-Slavery campaign in the USA together with William Garrison. While Garrison changed position and ultimately supported armed struggle to free the slaves, Ballou maintained his commitment to nonresistance. He had a direct influence on Tolstoy, and is therefore part of the broad tradition of nonviolent resistance

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