#243 "Change Times" and Time Changes – The 11-day date change in history: Why George Washington was born on February 11, 1731, and February 22, 1732



Daniel 7:25 (KJV) And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and <u>THINK TO CHANGE TIMES</u> **AND LAWS**: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

Benjamin Franklin. Some historical sources will say that Benjamin Franklin was born on January 6, 1706. Other historical sources will say that Benjamin Franklin was born 11 days later, on January 17, 1706. This is because in the British colonies, the calendar still being used at the time that Benjamin Franklin was born on January 6, 1706, was the Julian (Old Style, or O.S.) calendar, but when the British colonies in America switched to the Gregorian (New Style, or N.S.) calendar in 1752, Franklin's birthday was considered to have occurred on the Gregorian calendar date of January 17, 1706.

Benjamin Franklin born January 6, 1706 O.S. born January 17, 1706 N.S.



There were objections to and railings against the Gregorian calendar because people felt their lives were being shortened by 11 days.



George Washington. The same thing occurred with all of those born in the Americas before 1752. At the time George Washington was born, the date on the calendar in the American colonies was February 11. But after the switch to the Gregorian calendar, Washington's birthday is considered to have occurred on February 22. In fact, many sources that explain the change from the Julian to the Gregorian calendar use George Washington's birthday as a prime example.

George Washington born February 11, 1731 O.S. born February 22, 1732 N.S. Here are #243-Doc 1 and #243-Doc 2. They explain more about the calendar changes.