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The Life of Edwin Sandys
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The Life of the Individual: Chronology

1533-1553  - Cambridge University. Sandys
1553 involved in the plot to place Lady Jane Grey on the throne
1553 one of the Marian Exiles
1558 Death of Mary I – Elizabeth I takes the throne
1559 Return from exile and part of the Northern Visitation
1559-70 Bishop of Worcester
1570-1576 Bishop of London
1576-1588 Archbishop of York

Research Questions

How did Sandys reconcile his radical beliefs with a moderate religious settlement?
How far was Sandys able to achieve his aim of reforming religion in the North?

Key areas of study

The Succession Crisis – Lady Jane Grey v. Mary I (Protestant v. Catholic England)
1559 A year of change – A new Protestant England and Sandys’ role in it?
A radical in a Radical City? Sandys and the City of London – the Vestrian controversy
Sandys and the North – 1559 Visitation and his later role as Archbishop of York*

A man of contradictions

A man of principle and strong beliefs OR a pragmatist with flexible beliefs
A radical reformer OR one of the establishment
A ecclesiastic zealot or family man
Have you heard the one about the Archbishop, the Innkeeper and the Innkeepers wife… and the Catholic gentleman…. to be continued…

Biography  Links between the individual and the state