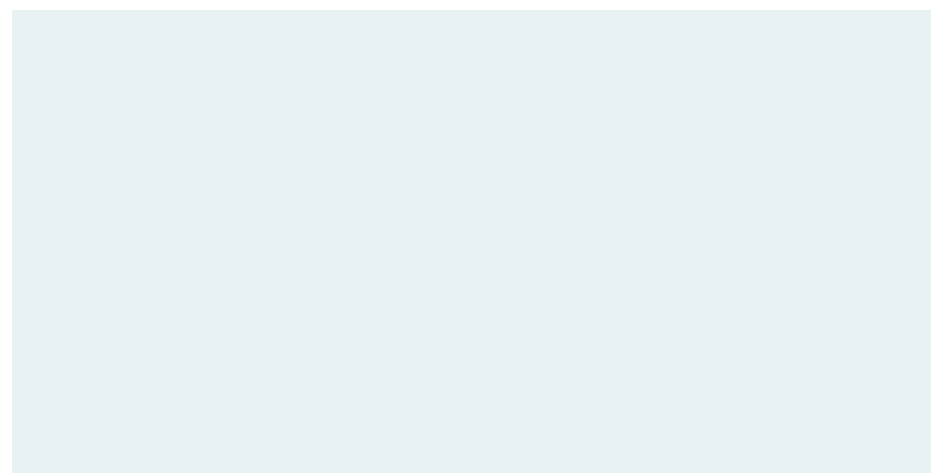


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Wallis challenged the left to recall the achievements of progressive Christian reformers in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, including the abolition movement, women's suffrage, and the civil rights movement as a model for left-leaning religious activism.

Wallis, however, proceeded beyond simply laying out the contours of contemporary politics and religion. He maintained, religion is not supposed to be a wedge that divides us, but a bridge that brings us together. Drawing on the example of Abraham Lincoln's second inaugural address, Wallis



In November, Mark Edwards, academic dean at Harvard Divinity School, visited the Boisi Center to discuss the relationship between private belief and public scholarship. Edwards presented sections from his forthcoming book, *Religion, Order, and Power: A History of the University of Cambridge*. He argued that although religion is viewed as a taboo subject, especially in academia, the time is right for religious and non-religious academics to discuss belief in the context of the university.

