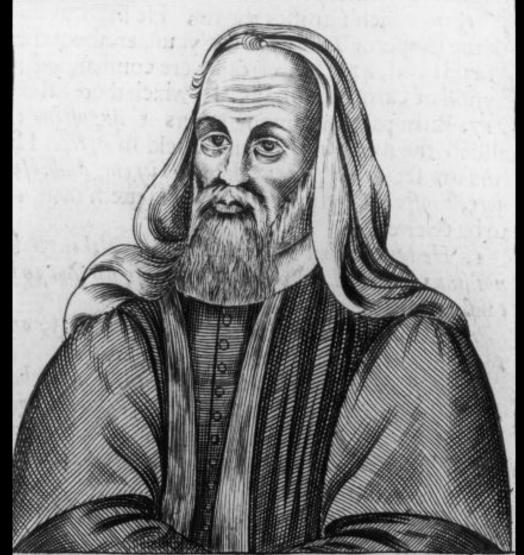
# The Doctrines of Grace

# 1.A Lovely Flower... Amazing!

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Jacobus Arminius (1560-1609) (Jakob Hermanzoon)

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#### **Two principles:**

- 1. Divine sovereignty is incompatible with human freedom (and therefore, human responsibility)
- 2. Ability limits obligation no one can be held accountable for what he is incapable of doing

#### The Five Points of Armianism

- 1. God elects or rejects people on the basis of foreseen faith or unbelief
- 2. Christ died for every person, but only believers are saved
- 3. Humanity is depraved but not so that we cannot exercise our free will, with God's help
- 4. Using his free will, man can resist God's grace
- 5. Those who have been born again, can lose their faith and so lose also their salvation

#### The Reformed Synod of Dort (1618-19)



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