



The Economic Legacy of Christian Missions among Indigenous Communities Maggie Jones

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Some of the earliest settlers to the Americas were Christian missionaries who worked to convert local Indigenous populations to Christianity. In this talk, I discuss economic research that attempts to provide a quantitative analysis of how the presence of missionaries influenced economic development among Indigenous communities in the US during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. Limitations of this quatitative approach are also discussed.

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