



Thesis Clinic

View the Thesis Statement tutorial. Then evaluate each of the following theses. Does it have a *challenging* claim (**C**)? Does it offer *specific* support (**S**)?

C **S**

- The writings of these Puritans clearly show that they valued religion and not freedom.
- Though they wrote of “limited government” to protect their religion, the Puritans’ dark view of human nature and their hierarchical ideas about family made them no friends of freedom.
- Elizabeth Cady Stanton was truly a founding figure in the American women’s rights movement.
- Why, then, did this advocate of women’s rights put so much emphasis on the duties of wife and mother? I will answer this question by investigating themes of feminine morality and religion in Stanton’s writings.
- This essay will explain Stanton’s important contribution to women’s rights by closely reading and comparing three speeches she delivered in the mid-nineteenth century.
- Stanton advanced the women’s rights movement in three important ways: by linking it with abolitionism, by emphasizing religious activism, and by arguing for God-given equality.
- Stanton advanced women’s rights by channeling the religious idealism of the abolitionist movement into an argument for the God-given equality of women.