



William Penn's Colonies

William Penn was always in trouble. He was a part of a group of people called the Quakers. Other people in England did not like the Quakers. But two very important people liked him—the king and his brother, James.

King Charles told William, "I will give you land in America. You may go there with your Quakers."

*Therefore all things
whatsoever ye would that
men should do to you, do
ye even so to them.*

Matthew 7:12



“I will call the land *Pennsylvania*,” said the king.

The name means “Penn’s Woods.” What does the name tell you about the land?

William Penn was glad to have a colony for the Quakers. But he wanted to let other people live in Pennsylvania too. And when some towns wanted to break away and become a new colony, Penn agreed. He called the new colony *Delaware*.