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had he lived during the inquisition thomas jefferson would have been burned at the stake his ideas about jesus and christianity were far from orthodox a product of the enlightenment jefferson believed that everything including religion should be examined in the light of reason when jefferson examined the gospels he came away with a strongly divided opinion, from the correspondence of john adams thomas jefferson - john adams b 1735 president 1797 1801 july 4 1826 at age 90 thomas jefferson b 1743 president 1801 1809 july 4 1826 at age 83 in the time of this correspondence adams was 77 to 89 years old writing from quincy