"John Newton"

You may know John Newton as the man who wrote Amazing Grace, but do you know how he came to write the famous Hymn? Or do you know what kind of a man John Newton was? No he was not a highly religious man. He was a sailor and he was an excellent sailor. Did you know that there was a time in his life when he would've been ashamed to be seen with a bible? We'll start our story when John was twenty three. It was around 1750 in England. It was at that time when John was made captain of a slave ship. He made many voyages to Africa and made a profitable living. He did his job well. He stood with whip in hand, forcing Africans into submission. Yes, this was the same man who wrote that he was amazed at how God could "save a wretch like me".