

Timeline for Slavery and Confederacy

Date	Event	Significance/Implications
1852-53	Birth of Charley Thorp	Enslaved person who, after freedom, worked for TCU in its early years.
1861-1865	American Civil War	Shaped much of the context for life in postwar Texas and thus for TCU's development
1861, Feb.	Declaration of the Causes which Impel the State of Texas to Secede from the Federal Union (Texas Secession Convention)	Official State of Texas document explains reasons for secession in a formal declaration, which encouraged some Texans to join the Confederate army.
1862	Addison Clark joins the Confederate Army	Addison Clark volunteered for military service before legally required to do so by a later state law .
1862-1863	Confederate Conscription Acts	Laws requiring all able-bodied men (ages 18-35) be drafted into the Confederate Army – Randolph Clark was 18 and Addison was 20.

1864	Randolph joins the Sixteenth Texas Cavalry unit where Addison was serving.	Randolph is not formally enrolled as a soldier, but he did join his brother in fighting for Confederacy
1869-1874	Clark brothers direct the Male and Female Seminary of Fort Worth	Starting this educational endeavor signals the Clark brothers' beginning of a long-term commitment to teaching as their career path.
1873-74	Add-Ran Male and Female College opens in Thorp Springs	TCU begins as an institute called Add-Ran Male and Female College and receives a formal charter from the state of Texas.
1873-1901	Addison Clark serves as Add-Ran President	Addison Clark holds his major formal leadership role at the helm of Add-Ran College.
1890	The Clarks officially deed the University and its property to the Disciples of Christ Church; The word "Christian" officially added to the University's charter	Ties to the church are strengthened. Clark family's financial sacrifice is consistent with longstanding pattern of their placing the institution's needs ahead of personal wealth acquisition.

C. 1895- 96	Campus moved to Waco	This move exemplifies continued search for a stable, financially secure location that will lead to solid enrollment and likely long-term health for the institution.
1902	Add-Ran college renamed Texas Christian University	AddRan becomes the name for the College of Arts and Sciences; the larger institution receives its current name.
1910	Destruction of Waco campus in a fire; relocation to Fort Worth	Move to Fort Worth situates the institution where it remains today.
1912- 13	Jarvis Christian College established	J. J. Jarvis and his wife Ida Van Zandt Jarvis, who had been leaders supporting TCU's development, become founding benefactors of Jarvis Christian, a HBCU, in 1910.
1921	Fred Rouse lynched in Fort Worth	An event that situates race relations in Fort Worth as participating in Jim Crow Era racist oppression.
1927, Aug. 24	Charley Thorp dies in El Capitan, NM	Thorpe is buried in Lancaster, TX, beside his wife Kate (per <i>Thank God we Made it</i> and <i>Christian Courier</i> article). The long association Charley had with TCU is marked in publications.