

A brief **CHURCH HISTORY** at a glance

THE EARLY CHURCH, AD 29-313 (Pentecost to the reign of Constantine)

PENTECOST c. AD 29 birth of the Church (Acts 2)	EARLY PERSECUTIONS death of Stephen (Acts 7)	CONVERSION of SAUL of TARSUS (Acts 9)	PAUL'S 1st MISSION TRIP: Syria-Cyprus- Turkey c. AD 48 (Acts 13:1-15:35)	JERUSALEM COUNCIL c. AD 49-50 (Acts 15)	PAUL'S 2nd TRIP: Turkey-Greece (Philippi, Thess., Berea, Corinth) c. AD 51 (Acts 15:36-18:22)	PAUL'S 3rd TRIP: Eph., Maced., Cor., Miletus AD 54 (Acts 18:23-21:17)	PAUL IMPRISONED c. AD 58 Voyage to Rome c. AD 60 Martyred AD 67?	INTENSE PERSECUTION under NERO burning of Rome AD 64	FALL of JERUSALEM under Vespasian/Titus AD 70 (Lk. 19:43-44)	10 GREAT PERSECUTORS Domitian (AD 81) to Marcus Aurelius (180)		RELATIVE CALM for the Church (AD 180-313) Exceptions: Severus, Maximin, Decius, Diocletian		REIGN of CONSTANTINE Edict of Milan: repeal of Christian persecution AD 313
										Apostolic Fathers (c. 95-150): Clement, Polycarp, Ignatius, Barnabas. Rising clericalism	The Apologists (c. 140-200) (Ante-Nicene Fathers): Justin Martyr, Tatian, Tertullian	The Polemicists (c. 180-225) (Nicene Fathers): Irenaeus, Hippolytus, Tertullian, Cyprian		

THE WORLDLY CHURCH, AD 313-622 (The "Holy" Roman Empire to the Birth of Islam)

MARRIAGE of CHURCH & STATE the cross exchanged for an earthly throne	COUNCIL of NICEA Nicene Creed to refute Arianism (denial of Christ's full deity). Bishops of Alexandria, Antioch, and Rome given authority over divisions of Roman Empire. AD 325		AUGUSTINE AD 354-430 strongly influences Catholic and Calvinistic thought	ULPHILAS c. AD 311-381 "apostle to the Goths" translates the Bible into Gothic	JEROME'S VULGATE J. translates the Bible into Latin AD 386	THEODOSIUS in AD 395 divides the empire between his sons: Honorius (West), Arcadius (East)	COUNCIL of CARTHAGE 27 books of NT accepted as canonical AD 397	PATRICK (c. AD 372-?) a Scot, evangelizes Ireland c. 412	COUNCIL of EPHESUS condemns Pelagius' heresy (denied original sin). AD 431	PAPACY FORMALIZED Leo I (440-461). RC Church lists 48 popes before Leo to Peter	COUNCIL of CHALCEDON refutes Nestorianism re 2 natures of Christ. AD 451	SACKING of ROME by barbarians (Goths) from Germany AD 476	First BENEDICTINE MONASTERY established AD 529 at Monte Cassino	GREGORY I AD 540-604 transformed bishopric of Rome into the Papal State	MOHAMMED born c. AD 569. Birth of Islam dated from flight to Medina AD 622
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THE DARK AGES, AD 623-1492 (Triumph of Islam to the Dawn of a New Era)

JERUSALEM falls to the Muslim Caliph Omar AD 637	NESTORIANS take gospel to Huns, Medes, Elamites, Arabs, Indians, Chinese AD 636-781	PAULICIANS, AD 653 separate from State Church, accept only Bible as authoritative. 100,000 martyred	CHARLEMAGNE crowned king Dec. 25, 800. Begins long war to "convert" all of Europe	CATHOLIC & ORTHODOX Churches split AD 1054	COUNCIL of CLERMONT AD 1095 Urban II calls for Crusade to take holy sites	SIEGE of JERUSALEM AD 1099, followed by 7 more Crusades (1147-1270). Thousands of Jews slaughtered as "Christ-killers"	PETER de BRUEYS speaks out in France against corruption of Rome. Burned alive AD 1110	The INQUISITION heats up, 1215. In 1220, handed to Dominican order. Torture approved in 1252	PETER WALDO & the "poor men of Lyon" defied pope (3rd Lateran Council, AD 1179) to preach gospel	JOHN WYCLIF AD 1320-1384 denounces tran- substantiation. Complete Latin Bible into English	JOHN HUS of Bohemia AD 1369-1415 burned at the stake July 6, 1415	UNITED BRETHREN (from Moravia) banished for their faith. Publish Bible in Bohemian, 1470	BIBLES! Preparation for the coming Reformation: Italian (1474), Dutch & French (1477), Spanish (1478)	COLUMBUS reaches the New World in 1492; Magellan's crew circle the globe by ship AD 1519-1522
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THE REFORMATION ERA, AD 1492-1648 (Protest to Puritanism)

JEROME SAYONAROLA (AD 1452-1498) early reformer is tortured, hanged and burned with 2 others in 1498	ERASMUS' Greek New Testament with critical notes published in Basle AD 1516	MARTIN LUTHER (AD 1483-1546) nails his 95 theses to the church door at Wittenberg, October 31, 1517	LUTHER'S German Bible printed, 1522; WM. TYNDALE'S & MILES COVERDALE'S English Bible in 1525	CONRAD GREBEL & FELIX MANZ, 1523, insist on believer's baptism, reject idea of State Church. Given name of Anabaptists	HENRY VIII breaks with Rome. The Supremacy Act of 1534 lays ground for Anglicanism	JOHN CALVIN (1509-1564) publishes "Institutes of the Christian Religion," 1536	COUNCIL of TRENT AD 1545-1563 defined Catholicism in wake of Counter- Reformation	HUGH LATIMER, NICHOLAS RIDLEY & THOMAS CRANMER burned at the stake in London, 1555-1556	JOHN KNOX returns to Scotland in 1559, influences Reformation there	ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S DAY MASSACRE August 24-26, 1572 100,000 French Huguenots slaughtered	JAMES VI of Scotland (James I of England) calls for Bible translation. The KJV published in 1611	The MAYFLOWER carries 102 Pilgrims (Puritan Separatists) to establish a colony in America. Arrive on November 21, 1620	The 30 YEARS WAR (1618-1648) closes the Reformation period with a bloodbath
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THE AGE OF AWAKENING AND REVIVAL, AD 1643-1899 (European Polarization to D. L. Moody)

The SCOTTISH COVENANTERS pay the price in blood for their faith 1643-1688	COUNT NIKOLAUS von ZINZENDORF invites exiled Protestants to set- tle on his Saxony estate, 1722. Begins Moravian missionary movement	JOHN WESLEY (1703-1791) & GEORGE WHITFIELD (1714-1770), shut out of Anglican churches, take gospel outdoors. Methodism the answer to deism	The GREAT AWAKENING (1720-1776) brings widespread conver- sions in America and prominence to JONATHAN EDWARDS	NEW MISSIONARY MOVEMENT: William Carey to India, 1793 Robt. Morrison to China, 1807 Robt. Moffat (1816) & David Livingstone (1840) to Africa A. N. Groves (1829) to Persia	CHARLES G. FINNEY revivals (beginning in 1824) and "holiness" teaching popularized Perfectionism	"BRETHREN" MOVEMENT has its beginnings when four meet to break bread in Dublin, Nov. 1827	NEW CULTS: Mormonism, 1830 7th-Day Adventism, 1831 Spiritualism, 1848 Russellism (JW's) 1872 Christian Science, 1876	GEORGE MÜLLER opens his first orphanage in Bristol, England, 1836	STUNDIST movement begins among lower classes in Russia 1858	HUDSON TAYLOR forms the China Inland Mission in 1865	C. H. SPURGEON preaches for the first time in 6,000 seat Metropolitan Tabernacle at age 22, 1861	D. L. MOODY (1837-1899) in worldwide preaching addresses 100 million people
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THE MODERN WORLD, AD 1900-present (Every wind of doctrine—the last days?)

LIBERALISM: German Higher Criticism, evolution of religion, denial of supernatural	FUNDAMENTALISM is defined in a 12-volume series "The Fundamentals" edited by R.A. Torrey & A.C. Dixon, 1910-1915	The GREAT WAR 1914-1918 when 27 nations in "total war" show fruits of Nationalism	NEO-ORTHODOXY led by Karl Barth (1886-1968) declares the Bible only "contains" the Word of God	NAZISM'S rise leads to World War II (1939- 1948) and the slaughter of 6 million Jews	WORLD COUNCIL OF CHURCHES formed in Amsterdam with 147 denominations 1948	BILLY GRAHAM'S first large evangelistic "crusade" held in Los Angeles 1949	COMMUNISM leads to slaughter of untold millions in scores of countries worldwide 1917-present	NEO-EVANGELICALISM finds an eloquent spokesman in Carl F. H. Henry, first editor of <i>Christianity</i> Today, 1956	CHARISMATIC MOVEMENT sweeps across Catholic and liberal Protestant churches, 1960-1975. Dramatic decline in mainline denominations	VATICAN II, 1962-1965 Pope John XXIII attempts to modernize Catholicism. Changes are unsettling; Catholics allowed to read Bibles—many saved	NEW AGE MOVEMENT promoted with 1971 publication of "Be Here Now" by Baba Ram Das. Eastern religions gain ground in the West	21st CENTURY approaches with harvest fields white, the time nearer than when we believed
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