Innocent III 1160-1216

* Most powerful pope of medieval period
* “The most powerful man on earth.”
* Called 4th Lateran Council
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  + Dogmatize transubstantiation
  + Dogmatize confession to priests
  + Dogmatize papal primacy
  + Dogmatize the tithe
  + 70 canons
* “A good roman catholic at 7:30 every working day would attend mass every day for resolving the sins of the previous day.”

The Crusades

* first crusade
  + An attempt by the west to re-conquer holy land, and reunite east and west empires
  + 1095- Council of Clermont – Pope Urban II
  + “Deus vult” God wills it!
  + \*\*\* map on page 295
  + July 15 1099 crusaders take Jerusalem. “All the defenders were killed as well as many civilians. Women were raped, and infants thrown against walls. Many of the city’s jews had taken refuge in the synagogue and the crusaders set fire to the building with them inside. According to an eyewitness, at the Porch of Solomon horses waded in blood.”
* The following Crusades were not as clear cut, but they continued until aprrox 1480’s

Bonface VIII (1235-1303)

* sought to reform church through political power
* promised indulgences to all who visited Peter’s tomb (1300)
* *unam Sanctam* a papal bull reflecting the high point of papal claims to universal power (in church and in state)

The 100 years war (1337-1475)

* Mainly between France and England
* Joan of Arc (d. 1431)
  + Fought for France
  + Captured by English and accused of heresy
  + Burned alive

The Renaissance (1300’s-1600’s)

* “re-birth” or science, art, culture
* Aristotelian ideas of reality
* Groundwork for the enlightenment

John Wycliffe (1331-1384)

* opposed the overt dominance of church over its citizens
* rallied against the pope(s)
* argued for Bibles in possession of all true believers
* opposed transubstantiation in favor of a “mystery” view
* died of a stroke, was later condemned as a heretic by the church
* his followers were insistent on his views of scripture
* wrote a lot of philosophy and material to be later spread among scholars

The Black Plague (1347-53)

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Black_Death#/media/File:Blackdeath2.gif>

Monty python (6:54)

The Great Western Schism (1378-1417)

Fall of Constantinople (May 29, 1453)

Spanish Inquisition (1478) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nf_Y4MbUCLY>

Jan Huss (1369-1415)

* born and raised in Bohemia (current day Czechoslovakia)
* followed in Wycliffe’s footsteps
* held to transubstantiation
* “an unworthy pope is not to be obeyed”
* Bible is final authority by which a Christian is to be judged
* Accused of heresies by several popes
* Burned alive for heresy
* “I appeal to Jesus Christ, the only judge who is almighty and completely just.”

Martin Luther

History of Europe: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l53bmKYXliA>