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The History of the Church: Part I

CHAPTER 10: The First Years

No key terms

CHAPTER 11: The Church Grows

conversion a radical changing of direction of one's life away from sin and toward God

epistles letters in the New Testament originally sent to a community or an individual, telling how Christians can apply the message of Jesus to daily life

inculturation the process of adapting the Gospel to a specific culture without compromising the message of Jesus

Pharisees a sect in Judaism around the time of Christ that centered on observance of the Law

CHAPTER 12: A House Built on Rock

chi rho one of the most ancient sacred monograms of Christ. Chi (X) and rho (P) are the first letters of the Greek word *Christos*, or *Christ*. Constantine ordered his army to place this emblem on their shields before the Battle of Milvian Bridge, in which they were victorious. ✠

ecumenical council a meeting of all the bishops of the Universal Church

hermit a person who lives alone to seek God through prayer, silence, and penance

monk a man who lives a life of prayer and takes vows such as poverty, chastity, and obedience; usually he lives in community with other men



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CHAPTER 13: A Light in Darkness: Part I

Germanic tribes uneducated, pagan tribes that invaded Europe during the fifth century and contributed to the fall of the Roman Empire

CHAPTER 14: A Light in Darkness: Part II

Crusades expeditions, or holy wars, to fight the Muslims and regain the Holy Land

Great Schism the separation of most of the Eastern Churches from the Western Church in 1054

Inquisition trials during the Middle Ages to find and punish heretics

lay investiture the practice whereby political leaders, instead of Church leaders, appointed priests and bishops

