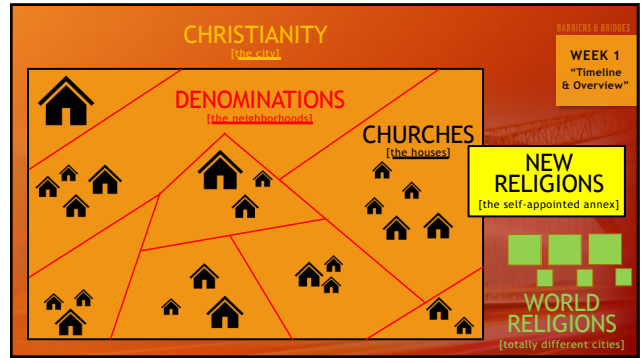


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REVIEW OF LAST WEEK :
THE AGE OF CATHOLIC CHRISTIANITY : AD 70-312

- The Gospel & the Church spread.
- Catholic means universal.
- The church was decentralized. Heresy was a challenge.
- Councils & Creeds tried to help clarify the Gospel message.

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- Athanasius exiled
- Emperor Theodosius 1 rewards & punishes...

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 - Emperor Constantine to Athanasius, Bishop of Alexandria*

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EARLY CHURCH FATHERS AGREE ON ORTHODOXY

- Nicene Creed in 325 AD- doctrine of the Trinity
- Several large meetings & councils of Bishops sure up what we know as the New Testament
- How was the canon decided?
 - apostolic authority
 - orthodox doctrine
 - broad acceptance

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THE GREAT SCHISM : AD 1054

BARRIERS & BRIDGES
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- In 1054 the Bishops of the two capitals of the Roman Empire mutually excommunicated each other along with all of their followers
- The West- Constantinople & The Orthodox Church
- The East- Rome & the Holy Roman Catholic Church

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EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

The Hierarchy of the Roman Catholic Church

- A. Pope
- B. Cardinals
- C. Archbishops
- D. Bishops
- E. Priests
- F. Deacons
- G. The Laity

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NEXT WEEK...

**REFORMATION RUMBLINGS!
LUTHERANS, PRESBYTERIANS,
& ANABAPTISTS**

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