

Patriarch of Constantinople. The debate centered about the things mentioned above. Unable to come to an agreement, the rival bishops closed one another's churches as they existed in their own bishoprics. They then excommunicated one another and all their adherents and settled into their own paths. There would be a near healing in the 15th century but the efforts were frustrated and the two bodies remain opposed to one another until today.

One of the interesting outcomes of this is the attitude in a few years of the Crusaders...towards the eastern church. The schism would weaken both sides politically but the east would suffer the more. In the face of the controversy the two sides continue to recognize one another as legitimate, although errant, communions...and that is more than most of them would say for any of us.

V.3 Western Church:  
Leaders & Growth

Western Church: Leadership and Development

The western church grows in this period through the consolidation of the Roman society and the outreach of missions as well as increased growth of monasticism. Rome is the existing and continuing center but some of the mission centers become very important not only in faith-propagation but also in development of doctrine and teaching. It is not a glorious age, however. The increase of lawlessness and the absence of solid governments do a lot to make it an age of chance. There is an absence of a large number of proven leaders, although there are certainly godly persons, as in every time, screened into the pattern from place to place. The dislike of the barbarian masses for education is very pronounced and were it not for the monastic concepts most of the learning that survived would not have.

There were three basic factors in leadership, growth, etc. and these were the development of Roman claims, the developed sacerdotal life, and the enrichment of monasticism.

V.3.a Development Factors

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Tell me later that I have these paragraphs slightly out of synch. But the first of the development factors as that of

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