

4. The EDict of Milan and the resultant change in church status. Here is just an accoun of some of the things that happened with regard to the church and its role in affairs. I offer two lists:

a. Church establishment:

- 311...Edict of Toleration
- 313...EDict of Milan
- 314...Synod of Arles, Ancyra
- 325...Council of Nicaea: state call
- 341...Superstition outlawed
Pagan sacrifice forbidden
- 346...Non-Christians forbidden access to
pagan temples
- 356...Capital punishment prescribed for
1) giving sacrifice to pagan gods,
2) converting to Judaism
- 380...all pagan rites banned
- 392...all heathen worship forbidden
- 394...Pagan temple property confiscated
Olympic games ended by law
- 416...Pagans barred from military and/or
governmental service
- 550...Athenian academy closed.

b. Favored status given to church as such:

- 313...special privileges for clergy
subsidization for the institution
- 319...clergy freed from military and
compulsory public duties
- 321...church given full rights for receipt
of estates and benevolences
- 325...church given corporate support of
government in determined matters of
ecclesiastical polity.

These lists can receive additions almost without end but these are enough to show us the superficial side of the church/state relationship. Out of this grows the "two arms" theory of church and state.

5. Political Eventualities

This means circumstances of affairs that had to happen as normal events in life following the church-state rapport. I am mentioning only four but you can probably visualize many more.