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Chronology of the Dark Ages (in brief)

- 476...Fall of Rome (the city)..Gothic tribes take
take control of Italy
- 482...The "Henoticon" of Zeno..(east) intended to
end monophysite controversy
- 496...Conversion of Clovis: the Franks
- 527...Justinian rules in the east
- 529...Mt. Cassino, Benedictine monastery, founded by
Benedict of Nursia.
- 553...Fifth ecumenical council
- 563...Founding of Iona missionary community
- 570...birth of Muhammed (d. 632)
- 590...Gregory the Great (I) assumes papacy
- 622...the Hegira: Islam founding follows
- 642...the "Exthesis" of Heraclius..(east) intended to
end monothelite error, etc.
- 680...Sixth ecumenical council
- 732...Moors defeated at Tours and Poitiers by
Charles Martel..the "Roland" era
- 754...Pepin adds to formation of Papal states..becomes
king of the Franks
- 787...Seventh Ecumenical Council: Iconoclasm
- 800...Charlemagne crowned king of the Romans
- 880...Eighth ecumenical council in two sessions fails
to resolve east/west problems
- 964...Otto I identified as Emperor of Holy Roman Empire
- 1054...The Great Schism: Leo and Michael excommunicate
one another and their followers.