



Syllabus

Church History (H-01)

*Text for this course:
The 100 Most Important Events
in Christian History*

Course Requirements:

- Class attendance and participation. (No more than one absence without make-up.)
- Read the textbook.
- Read the Book of Acts in the Bible.
- Complete any additional assignments as given by the instructor.

Suggested Course Schedule:

- Week One:** *Reading assignment to be completed prior to attending first session.*
Book of Acts, textbook pages 13-34.
The church in the Apostolic age. The early church. Acts through the conversion of Constantine.
- Week Two:** Textbook pages: 34-70
The church in the first millennium. Council of Nicea. Christianity spreads through Europe. Conversion of Vladimir, prince of Russia.
- Week Three:** Textbook pages: 70-95
The church in the Middle Ages to the Renaissance. From the East-West Schism to Michelangelo completes the Sistine Chapel ceiling.
- Week Four:** Textbook pages: 96-123
The Reformation. From Martin Luther to George Fox.
- Week Five:** Textbook pages 123-159
Rembrandt completes the return of the prodigal son to John Keble's sermon "National Apostasy."
- Week Six:** Textbook pages 159-204
The church in the modern world. 1854-present. Hudson Taylor arrives in China to the Chinese church grows despite cultural revolution.

Note: *Because of individual and group differences from site to site, the group is encouraged to do at least one lesson each week and more as time permits. The other lessons assigned for the week need to be done sometime during the week - individually or with a group. Most important for class time is the discussion and encouragement, which may reflect the previous week's lessons, as well as the topics listed under Course Requirements and Suggested Course Schedule.*