

History of Christianity

EPIC: The Early Church

Ascension Press

History 310.13

Interactive

2012

DVD

Ten 50 min lessons

Part of a Series



The second study in the Epic Church history series, The Early Church is a 10-part program that presents in exciting and dramatic detail the first 500 years of the Church through the lives and events of the saints, philosophers, theologians, martyrs, and ruthless emperors. For group or private study.

The Early Christians: The Incredible Odyssey of Early Christians

Ignatius Press

Documentary

2011

DVD

9 stories/ 30 min. each

Part of a Series



How did the religion of Love survive paganism and barbarianism? The Empire persecuted the Christians and was eventually converted. The Barbarians sacked Rome, but were converted too.

How did the religion of Love manage to survive against paganism and barbarianism? How did the first Christians live? Who were their most terrible enemies: idols, lions, Jews... or heretics? How did they defend their faith? How did they propagate it?

The blood of the martyrs was the seed for new Christians. But after the persecutions of the Romans and the barbarian invasions came another grave danger for the new religion: heresies... They would not be lethal. On the contrary, they provided the opportunity to define the essential truths of Christian faith, consolidating the roots of a millennial Church. This in-depth new film series produced in Europe explores this amazing story of the witness of the early Christians and the spread of Christianity.

The Cathedral

The Teaching Company

History 310.7

Instructional

2010

DVD

24 lectures

Part of a Series



Whether they're located in the heart of a major city or on the outskirts of a rural town, cathedrals possess a spiritual, artistic, and historical grandeur that deserves to be experienced and felt by Christians and non-Christians alike. But rather than traveling around the world to get just a cursory, ground-level glimpse of their greatness, bring these captivating buildings – in their entirety – right into your own home with The Cathedral.

In this course, noted medieval historian and award-winning Professor William R. Cook has crafted an exciting, immersive, and multidimensional experience that will bring you closer to cathedrals like Notre Dame in Paris and those in Amiens, Chartres, and Canterbury than any on-site tour could hope to do. These 24 lavishly illustrated lectures make use of high-definition 3-D modeling and imagery to not just show you the world's great Gothic cathedrals, but to take you around and inside them, revealing new perspectives you can't enjoy anywhere else.

The Holy Face

Ignatius Press

History 310.24

Documentary

2010

DVD

55 minutes

Part of a Series



Experience a thrilling journey of discovery as these films trace the turbulent history of the Holy Face from ancient times up to the historic 2006 visit to Manoppello by Pope Benedict XVI.

Catholic Ireland

EWTN Global Catholic Network

History 310.3

Documentary

2009

DVD

5 hours

Part of a Series



Experience the rich Christian heritage of the Emerald Isle, long known as the land of saints and scholars.

The Catholic Church: A History

The Teaching Company

History 310.6

Instructional

2009

DVD

36 lectures/30 min. each

Part of a Series



In telling the story of the Catholic Church, Professor Cook offers more than simply a history of an important institution. Through his comprehensive approach and insightful analysis, Professor Cook deepens your understanding of the flow of events in the history of Western civilization as it was shaped by this one supremely influential organization.

With his expertise in European history generally, and especially in the Middle Ages, Renaissance, and Reformation, Professor Cook offers a perspective that is informative and objective. A noted scholar and historian, he brings an unparalleled intellectual rigor to his presentation, balanced by a deep appreciation of the church's legacy and impact.

As you join him on this epic journey through Catholic history, you'll experience how this small gathering of faithful grew and changed in about three centuries to become one of the most powerful forces on the world stage – the "one holy catholic and apostolic Church."

And God Came to Ireland

Hilary Patrick Production

History 310.4

Documentary

2006

DVD

78 minutes

Part of a Series



A film with captivating images, majestic music and a thought provoking story of the Christian faith that claimed Celtic Ireland sixteen hundred years ago and remained to inspire and challenge her people ever since.

The History of Vatican II

Catholic Educational Television

History 310.1

Instructional

2005

DVD

6 hours

Part of a Series



Six 1-hour Lectures The Background of the Council The Nature of the Church Inner spiritual renewal The Church and the World The Aftermath of the Council, I The Aftermath of the Council, II Study Materials

Medieval Christian Europe

Questar

History 310.35

Documentary

2002

VHS

25 minutes

Part of a Series



The barbarians who conquered Rome were gradually transformed by the scholarly and monastic traditions of St. Patrick, St. Benedict, Charlemagne, Hildegard of Bingen, and St. Francis of Assisi into a Christian civilization. This history traces medieval Christianity's evolution into the Renaissance.

Asian Christian Traditions

Questar

History 310.31

Documentary

2002

VHS

25 minutes

Part of a Series



Christianity came to India with the Portuguese, but also influenced the dominant Hindu culture. Gandhi is one example. How Christian traditions affected China and Korea is also examined in this history.

North American Christian Traditions

Questar

History 310.29

Documentary

2002

VHS

25 minutes

Part of a Series



The U.S. has more Christian diversity than any country in the world, yet its Puritan roots were close to a theocracy until the Great Awakening spread religious democracy across the land. This exuberant history shows the evolution of this infinite variety.

Christian Origins in the Mediterranean

Questar

History 310.33

Documentary

2002

VHS

25 minutes

Part of a Series



Conflict about who Jesus was started immediately with the disputes between Peter and Paul. Stories of martyrs such as Perpetua, desert monastics like Anthony, the rise of Christian Rome under Constantine, and the fall of empire around Augustine make this a powerful history of religion and politics.

The Reformation to Modern Europe

Questar

History 310.34

Documentary

2002

VHS

25 minutes

Part of a Series



The advent of science and printing pushed the medieval world toward modernism and individualism. But, it was Martin Luther who triggered the upheavals that led to Calvin, Loyola, Wesley, and later, Bonhoeffer and Vatican II.

Eastern and Russian Orthodoxy

Questar

History 310.32

Documentary

2002

VHS

25 minutes

Part of a Series



The Hagia Sophia temple in Constantinople may have inspired the adoption of Eastern Orthodoxy by Russia. Its influence on iconographic art, Russian literature, and the Russian people in conflict with Mongols and Communism is brought to life.

Latin American Christian Traditions

Questar

History 310.36

Documentary

2002

VHS

25 minutes

Part of a Series



Considering the zeal of Spanish conquistadors for extracting conversions, gold, and slave labor from Indians, it is amazing these indigenous people adopted Christianity. This history shows how Latin American Catholic and Pentecostal traditions evolved.

African Christian Traditions

Questar

History 310.37

Documentary

2002

VHS

25 minutes

Part of a Series



Christianity in Africa had an uneven history after being brought by Europeans: white missionaries, returned slaves, and apartheid did not provide much promise. Yet, in the 20th century, it experienced a resurgence as it was transformed by the indigenous traditions of the African people.

Church Without Borders

USCCB Publishing

History 310.22

Documentary

2001

VHS

60 minutes

Part of a Series



The video examines the experiences of young people from the United States and Latin America who share their faith through creative inter-American missionary programs.

The Middle Ages

Documentary

2001

VHS

50 minutes

Part of a Series



Provides an overview of the background, history, and civilization of the European Middle Ages, a period spanning almost one thousand years, from 450 AD to 1450 AD.

Conquistadors

PBS

History 310.37 | Documentary | 2001 | VHS | 2 VHS/ 4 hours total | Part of a Series



Michael Wood brings history alive as he relates this story of conquest, heroism and greed and shows us how the Conquistadors have changed the way that we see the world, in terms of history and civilization , justice and human rights.

The Renaissance

| Documentary | 2000 | VHS | 50 minutes | Part of a Series



Scholars of the Renaissance from Yale University share their knowledge in this video which takes the viewer on a captivating and beautiful trip back to one of the most glorious historical periods.

The Age of Enlightenment

| Documentary | 2000 | VHS | 50 minutes | Part of a Series



Dramatizes the intellectual advancements that took place during the Age of Enlightenment, discussing why there were so many advances in intellectual fields and how those advances and discoveries have influenced human history.

History of Christianity

Vision Video

History 310.12 | Instructional | 2000 | VHS | 180 minutes | Part of a Series



This is a survey course designed to further stimulate your curiosity by providing glimpses of some of the pivotal events in the spread Christianity and sketches of great Christian figures who have significantly affected Christian history thereby shaping the history of the world. Kit includes six half-hour programs, leader's guide, program scripts, and reproducible student workbook.

PART I: The Early Church PART II: The Church in the Middle Ages PART III: The Reformation
PART IV: The Age of Reason and Piety PART V: Christianity in the New World PART VI:
Christian Movement in an Age of Uncertainty

Inside the Vatican

National Geographic

| Documentary | 2000 | VHS | 90 minutes | Part of a Series



National Geographic was given unprecedented access for this project, and in this film, their team provides a rare glimpse inside the secret archives and private chapels of the Vatican. Privileged accounts from Vatican officials, historians, and devoted individuals who worked closely with Pope John Paul II provide insight into the remarkable history of this holy city and its unique traditions, some of which have survived for nearly 2000 years. Narrated by Martin Sheen.

The Vatican Revealed: One

A & E Home Video

| Documentary | 1999 | VHS | 50 minutes | Part of a Series



Tour of Vatican City: St Peter's Square, Sisten Chapel, Swiss Guard and St. Peter Basilica. Rome during Peter's time, Nero's time and Christian persecution at the Circus. Constantine's rule and his building of the first basilica. Charlemane and French popes that stay in Avignon's papal palace. Three popes contend for power as the Vatican is recognized as the real papal power. Since the last 600 years, the new basilica under Julius II in 1506, and Pope Leo's indulgences which started the Martin Luther revolt.

The Vatican Revealed: Two

A & E Home Video

Documentary 1999 VHS 50 minutes Part of a Series



Astounding collection of artwork, statuary, and books; some thousands of years old make up the Vatican collection, some in the Vatican Museum, some spread all over Vatican City. A quick look at how the Vatican elects their pope, including Pope John Paul II. Look at the fall of communism as John Paul lent his support to Poland's Solidarity. America's ties into the Vatican during the Reagan era. Inner battles of conservative Catholics and liberal continues the wrestling of spirituality and physical, but the Vatican still stands strong.

Enduring Faith: A Story of African American Catholics in America (Vol. 1-3 and L

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History 310.5 Documentary 1999 VHS 3 hours Part of a Series



This is a story about the faith of a community of African Americans who have searched for generations to find deliverance from the evils of racism, bigotry and oppression. A story of hope, perseverance and a steadfast unrelenting faith in God. Part 1: Waiting for Deliverance; Part 2: The Promise Goes Unfulfilled; Part 3: Still Reaching for the Promised Land

The Fires of Faith: Dissidents and the Church

Films for Humanities & Sciences

History 310.25 Documentary 1998 VHS 50 minutes Part of a Series



This program discusses papal reactions to church dissidents. Thirteenth-century fragmentation of religious orders into various sects is examined.

The Saint and the Scholar: Portrait of Abelard

Films for Humanities & Sciences

History 310.26 | Documentary | 1998 | VHS | 50 minutes | Part of a Series



This is the story of the radical theologian Peter Abelard. Born near Nantes, France, Abelard's teaching on the Trinity was declared heretical.

The Jeweled City: The Cathedral of Chartres

Films for Humanities & Sciences

History 310.27 | Documentary | 1998 | VHS | 50 minutes | Part of a Series



The Cathedral of Chartres, built from 1150 to 1220 and widely recognized as a masterpiece of Gothic architecture, is now a world heritage site.

Frederick II: The Last Emperor

Films for Humanities & Sciences

History 310.28 | Documentary | 1998 | VHS | 50 minutes | Part of a Series



Frederick II ruled an empire from Denmark to Sicily, and as far east as Israel. He is admired to this day by military specialists who consider him one of the greatest conquerors of all time. This program traces his life and times and attempts to consolidate imperial power in Italy at the expense of the papacy in the 13th century.

Faith Conquers: Volume Four

A & E Home Video

History 310.17 | Documentary | 1998 | VHS | 50 minutes | Part of a Series



Golden Age of Charlemagne established Christianity as cornerstone of Western civilization and military campaigns spread the Word of God through the power of the sword. Monks invent a new alphabet to translate the Bible into Slavic tongues, by 1000 all Europe is part of Christendom, but destruction of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem by Muslim warriors foretold of violence to come.

Founding of a Faith: Volume One

A & E Home Video

History 310.14 | Documentary | 1998 | VHS | 50 minutes | Part of a Series



Emperors, preachers, saints and sinners, the teachings of a man accepted by millions as the Savior, and the battles fought in His name. From Crucifixion to the coming of the Crusades this series traces the rise of great religion, the faith the Roman Empire persecuted then later adopted. How New Testament was shaped, how pagan festivals were transformed into Christian holidays, with tours of ancient sites like Hagia Sophia. : Vol 1: Upon receiving the Holy Spirit a religion was born, we follow the first centuries of Christianity, St. Paul, James and the Emperor Diocletian's violent persecution of Christians that could not stop the faith.

The Faithful Revolution: Vatican II

RCL Benzinger

History 310.2 | Documentary | 1998 | VHS | n/a | Part of a Series



A major goal of The Faithful Revolution video series is to keep alive the vision and spirit of Vatican II. Many historians claim that Vatican II is one of the greatest religious and cultural events of this century. This series presents a balanced view of Vatican II and how it changed the church and in doing so changed everyone's worldview. One thing for sure, For that reason, The Faithful Revolution consists of five 60-minute videos: Video One: Genius of the Heart: The death and legacy of Pope John XXIII Video Two: Inspired Awakening: The Council continues under Pope Paul VI Video Three: Human Dignity: Human rights, the leadership of Pope John Paul II Video Four: A World Transformed: Lay leadership, the Tumultuous '60s, Birth control issues Video Five: The Dynamics of Hope: Tensions within the Church

Glory of Byzantium: Volume Three

A & E Home Video

History 310.16 | Documentary | 1998 | VHS | 50 minutes | Part of a Series



Five centuries since Jesus walked, Rome fell to the Goths and Europe plunged into the Dark Ages. The Glory of Byzantium brought learning and culture, but Islam swept away half of Christendom in only 100 years. Religious revival would still prevail in Ireland and the British Isles with St. Patrick and a network of monasteries that flourished and spread.

Church and Empire: Volume Two

A & E Home Video

History 310.15 | Documentary | 1998 | VHS | 50 minutes | Part of a Series



300 years of persecution stopped by Constantine, leads to discussion of genuine or savvy political movement. More important are the effects; the birth of monastic movement to the shaping of the New Testament and the decline of the Roman Empire.

Inside the Vatican with Sir Peter Ustinov

Multimedia Entertainment

History 310.18 | Documentary | 1994 | VHS | Four parts/ 50 min each | Part of a Series



Sir Peter Ustinov hosts this magnificent and riveting four-volume collection exploring the grandeur, the glory and the power of the Vatican. Highlighting priceless treasures, art and legendary historical figures the story of the emergence of Christianity, the birth of the Papacy and the religious beliefs that transformed history.

The Eternal City

Vision Video

Documentary 1994 VHS Two 55 min. sessions Part of a Series



I. THE SIGN OF VICTORY Rome's ancient origins led eventually to the formation of a republic, an empire and an infamous place of persecution of Christians. II. SHEEP MAY SAFELY GRAZE The middle Ages saw the destruction of Byzantium by the Turks and the emergence of Rome as a major European political power and the centre of Christendom.

Upon this Rock: The Hierarchial Structure of the Church

History 310.11 Documentary 1993 VHS 30 minutes Part of a Series



A HIERARCHICAL STRUCTURE OF THE CHURCH - This video focuses on the life of Peter while in Rome. An in-depth description of the historical development of the Basilica of St. Peter is given. Sites such as the jail of Peter's imprisonment, his residence, and St. John Lateran are presented.

The Catacombs: A General Description

History 310.9 Documentary 1993 VHS 30 minutes Part of a Series



A GENERAL DESCRIPTION - Overview of the purpose and exploration of the catacombs. This video focuses on the Catacomb of St. Callistus which contains the burial sites of SS. Callistus and Cecilia as well as the Crypts of the Popes, Mosaics, inscriptions and art pieces.

The Bread of Life: The Devotional Life of the Church in the Early Centuries

History 310.8

Documentary

1993

VHS

30 minutes

Part of a Series



DEVOTIONAL LIFE OF THE CHURCH IN THE EARLY CENTURIES - This video focuses on the spirituality of the oppressed beginning with an explanation of the Christian persecution. Sites such as the prison, the Coliseum, and the catacombs are presented. The role of ministry as well as the Eucharist are the undertones of the video.

Circle of the Spirit: A Saga of Native Americans in the Catholic Church

USCCB Publishing

History 310.23

Documentary

1990

VHS

60 minutes

Part of a Series



Circle of the Spirit is a saga of two Northwestern tribes of Native Americans. Viewers experience the traditional native dances performed amid the silhouette of powwow fires. The perspective of the Church and how it relates to Native Americans today is seen through the eyes of Archbishops Raymond Hunthausen and Thomas Murphy. And the remarks of Bishop Chaput, enables viewers to appreciate both the religious and cultural differences inherent in being both Native American and Catholic.

Yeshua: Tape One

International Luthern Laymen's League

History 310.19

Documentary

1985

VHS

141 minutes

Part of a Series



This five-program series moves across more than 2,000 years of history. Part One: The Land and The Promise Part Two: The Promise Takes Root Part Three: Voice and the Light

Yeshua: Tape Two

International Luthern Laymen's League

History 310.21

Documentary

1985

VHS

94 minutes

Part of a Series



This five-program series moves across more than 2,000 years of history. Part Four: The Bread of Sacrifice Part Five: Ripple of Darkness, Waves of Light