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# CH 500 Turning Points in Church History

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**COURSE AND READING SCHEDULE**

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Date	Topic	Reading Assignments from		Primary & Additional Sources
		<i>Turning Points</i>	<i>The Story</i>	
<b>Jan 7</b> Introduction and Overview	Introduction		First read pages in bold!	Required readings are in bold.
	Why Study Turning Points in Church History/Theological History?	<b>11-22</b>	11-23	
<b>Jan 8</b> The Fall of Jerusalem (70)	Christianity's Conflict with State & Culture: Persecution, Martyrdom & Apologetics Jewish, Hellenistic, & Latin Christianity	<b>25-46</b>	25-67 <b>25-53</b>	<b>Perpetua, "The Martyrdom of Perpetua and Felicitas" (Intra).</b>
	Heresy and Christianity's Response: Canon, Apostolic, and Creeds		68-135 <b>68, 124-35</b>	
<b>Jan 9</b> Church and Empire: From Nicaea (325) to Chalcedon (451)	Arius and the Trinitarian Controversy: The Council of Nicaea (325)	<b>47-64</b>	137-96 <b>137-40, 173-96</b>	<b>Athanasius, <i>The Incarnation of the Word of God</i> (Intra).</b>
	The Christological Controversy: The Council of Chalcedon (451)	<b>65-82</b>	197-249 <b>230-35</b>	
<b>Jan 10</b> Monastic Challenge (530)	Monastic Rescue and <i>The Rule of Benedict</i> (530)	<b>83-105</b>	251-77	<b>Benedict, <i>The Rule of Benedict</i> (Intra).</b>
	Later Monastic Developments: Cluniac (10 <sup>th</sup> C.) and Cistercian (12 <sup>th</sup> C.) The Mendicants (13 <sup>th</sup> C.)			
<b>Jan 14</b> Christendom (800)  The Great Schism (1054)	The Culmination of Christendom (800) The Rise of University and Scholasticism	<b>107-27</b>	311-47	<b>Anselm, <i>Why God Became Human</i> (Intra).</b>
	The Great Schism Between East and West (1054) Eastern Orthodox and Roman Catholic	<b>129-50</b>	278-310 <b>304-10</b>	

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<b>Jan 15</b> The Age of Reform (1250-1550)	Nominalist Renewal and <i>Via Moderna</i> Independent Reform Movement Mystical Theology and <i>Devotio Moderna</i>		<b>348-67</b>	<b>Thomas À Kempis, <i>Imitation of Christ</i> (Intra).</b>
	The Revival of Classical Learning: Renaissance and Humanism		"	
<b>Jan 16</b> The Beginnings of Protestantism (1521)	Luther's Theology of the Cross	<b>151-74</b>	369-96	<b>Luther, "Heidelberg Disputation (1518)," <i>Martin Luther's Basic Theological Writings</i>, 30-49 (library reserve).</b>
	Zwingli, Calvin, and the Anabaptists		397-428	<i>The Schleithem Confession</i> (1527).
<b>Jan 17</b> English Reformation (1534) Catholic Reform (1540)	The English Act of Supremacy (1534)	<b>175-96</b>	429-49	<i>The Thirty-Nine Articles of the Church of England</i> (1571).
	Catholic or Counter Reformation (1540)	<b>197-220</b>	"	<i>Canons and Decrees of the Council of Trent</i> (1545-1563).
<b>Jan 21</b> The Wesleys' Revival (1738)	The Rise of Pietism (1675)	<b>221-44</b>	451-517 <b>473-517</b>	<b>Philip Spener, "Pia Desideria," <i>Pietists</i>, CWS, 31-49 (library reserve).</b>
	The Wesleys' Revival (1738)	"	"	John Wesley, <i>A Plain Account of Christian Perfection</i> .
<b>Jan 22</b> The French Revolution (1789); Holiness Revival	The French Revolution (1789) and the Demise of Christendom (Deism and Enlightenment)	<b>245-68</b>	518-47	Schleiermacher, <i>The Christian Faith</i> , 1-31.
	The Great Awakenings Holiness Revival		"	<b>Melvin Dieter, <i>The Holiness Revival</i>, 15-77 or Donald Dayton, <i>Theological Roots of Pentecostalism</i>, 63-84 (library reserve).</b> Phoebe Palmer, <i>Entire Devotion to God</i> , 11-43, 146-52, 186-94.

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<b>Jan 23</b> To Modernity	Liberals (Modernism) and Conservatives (Fundamentalism) to Modernity (1901)		<b>547-69</b>	Harnack, <i>Das Wesen des Christentums</i> (What Is Christianity?), 1-18, 49-56.
	Karl Barth and Neo-Orthodoxy		<b>570-89</b>	Karl Barth, <i>The Epistle to the Romans</i> , 27-54.
<b>Jan 24</b> World Missionary Conference (1910) and Global Christianity	Modern Missionary Movement and World Missionary Conference (1910) Evangelical vs Ecumenical	<b>269-94</b>	590-613	<b>William Carey, “An Enquiry” (Intra).</b> Edinburgh 1910 Hocking versus Kraemer
	Further Turning Points of the 20 <sup>th</sup> Century: Pentecostalism; Bible Translation; Women; Vatican II; Survival under Communism	<b>295-316</b>	"	Walter Hollenweger, <i>Pentecostalism</i> , 1-5, 17-24.