



UNIT OUTLINE

CH005-512 & 712, Early Church History

Description	This unit introduces students to the history of the early church. It helps them to understand who they are and where they came from by telling them the story of how the church grew from a small group of passionate disciples in 30 AD to a powerful institution encompassing much of the Roman Empire by 451AD, letting them read the most pivotal documents illustrating this development for themselves, and helping them to consider to how to continue on this story in their own life today.	
Content	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The First Churches • The Apostolic Fathers and Apologists • Early Theological Issues • The Expansion and Development of the Church • Church and Empire to Constantine • The Interaction of Church and Society after Constantine • The Christological and Trinitarian Controversies • Augustine and his times 	
Study modes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact • Off campus 	
Assessment*	AQF #5	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Document Study 2. Creative Story-telling
	AQF #7	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Document Study 2. Essay
Textbooks	<p>Recommended:</p> <p>Davidson, Ivor J. 2004. <i>The Birth of the Church: From Jesus to Constantine, AD 30 – 312</i>. Volume One. The Baker History of the Church/The Monarch History of the Church. Grand Rapids: Baker/Oxford: Monarch.</p> <p>Davidson, Ivor J. 2005. <i>A Public Faith: From Constantine to the Medieval World, AD 312 – 600</i>. Volume Two. The Baker History of the Church/The Monarch History of the Church. Grand Rapids: Baker/Oxford: Monarch.</p>	

* Assessment items may be subject to change without prior notice