



Summer Trivia Fun

As we move into the summer months, we are returning to our summer trivia game. This year's trivia is on the topic of Church history. See how many of the answers to these questions that you know, and if you don't know, look up the answers and read about these noteworthy people and events which have shaped the history of the Christian Church.

1. Who was the Roman emperor who first made Christianity an official religion of the Roman Empire?
2. What early Christian theologian and saint from North Africa is the patron saint of brewers and theologians, and greatly influenced Martin Luther's thought?
3. In what year did the Great Schism occur, which split the church into the Greek Orthodox and Latin Roman Catholic churches we still have today?
4. What Fifteenth Century future saint led French forces in victory over the English army at the siege of Orleans?
5. What Czech reformer of the Church was executed as a heretic by being burned at the stake on July 6, 1415?
6. In what year did Martin Luther post his 95 theses, which helped to spark the historic period known as the Reformation?
7. What document did the followers of Luther's reforming movement present to the Emperor of the Holy Roman Empire in 1530 which still stands today as an authoritative statement of Lutheran beliefs?
8. Which English monarch's dispute with the Pope led to the formation of the Church of England?
9. Who is known as the father of Lutheranism in North America?
10. What Scholastic philosopher and theologian, author of *Summa Theologica*, is considered to be one of the greatest theologians of the Middle Ages?
11. What great invention of the 1400's enabled the reformers in the next century to disseminate their writings cheaply, easily and quickly to eager readers throughout the European continent?
12. Whose early translation of the Bible into Middle English prior to 1400 inspired a reform movement, leading to the Pope exhuming his body after his death only to have it burned for heresy, with his ashes then thrown into the River Swift?
13. Who was the only active minister to sign the Declaration of Independence?
14. What deaconess of St. Paul African Methodist Episcopal Church in Montgomery, Alabama, refused to give up her seat on a public bus and helped to start the Montgomery Bus Boycott during the Civil Rights Era?
15. What popular hymn, first published in 1779, was written by a former sailor who was part of the slave trade?

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