



The Fall of Rome and the Birth of Europe

Barbarian Kings and Roman Popes

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A TIMELINE

- c.340: Ulfila begins his Christian mission to the Goths ('Arianism')
- 31 December 406: Vandals, Alans, and Suebes cross the Rhine
- 418: Settlement of the Visigoths in Aquitaine
- 429: The Vandals under Gaiseric invade North Africa
- 452: Pope Leo meets with Attila the Hun
- 476: Deposition of Romulus Augustulus (last western Roman emperor)
- 489-93: Ostrogothic invasion of Italy led by Theoderic the Amal (died 526)
- 496: Traditional date of the Frankish king Clovis' baptism
- 507: Visigothic king Alaric II defeated by Clovis at Vouille
- 511: Death of Clovis, division of his kingdom (partitive inheritance)
- 533-4: Justinianic Conquest of Vandal North Africa
- 535-54: Justinianic Conquest of Ostrogothic Italy
- 561: Death of Chlothar I, redivision of the Frankish kingdom
- 589: Visigothic king Reccared converts to catholic Christianity
- 590-604: Papacy of Gregory the Great
- 597: Augustine of Canterbury's mission to Anglo-Saxon England
- c.625 Death of Raedwald of East Anglia (Sutton Hoo?)
- 711: Islamic invasion of Visigothic Spain
- 751: The Merovingian dynasty in Francia replaced by the Carolingians
- 800: Charlemagne (768-814) crowned emperor in Rome