

The Origins of Modern Christianity

Judaism

(The OLD TESTAMENT: Abraham, Noah, Moses, David, Solomon)

Jesus Christ (1 - 32)

Teachings of Paul (45 - 58)

Roman persecution of Christians

Armenia becomes the first nation to accept Christianity (300)

Constantine becomes the first Roman emperor to accept Christianity (312)

Theodosius makes Christianity the official religion of the Roman Empire (395)

Est. of Coptic Christian Church (451)

Collapse of the Roman Empire (476)

Split between western and eastern Christian churches (1054)

west: Roman Catholic Church

east: Orthodox Church (Constantinople)

- Albanian, Armenian, Bulgarian,
Cypriot, Czech, Georgian, Greek
Finnish, Polish, Rumanian, Russian,
Serbian, Sinai, Syrian

The Protestant Reformation (1517)
and Counter-Reformation

Roman Catholic Church

- Pope John Paul II
"The Vatican"

various Protestant Denominations

- Lutheran Church (Martin Luther)
- Church of England = Anglicans (King Henry VIII)
- Presbyterian (John Knox)
- Calvinist = Puritans and Huguenots (John Calvin)
- Baptists, Methodists, Mormons, and so on...