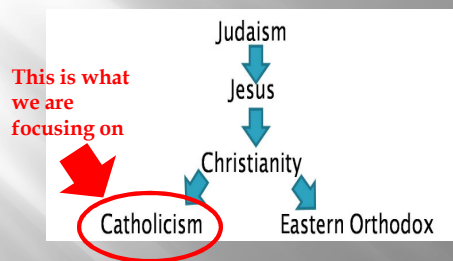
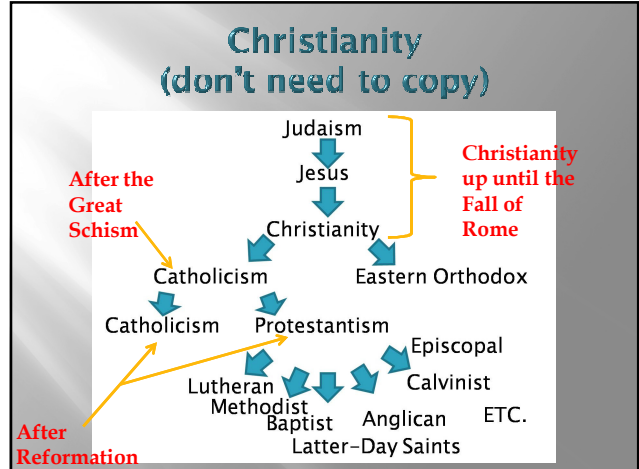


## CHRISTIANITY IN THE MIDDLE AGES



### What do you know about the Catholic Church?

- Think-Pair-Share with the person next to you for 1-2 minutes
- Be prepared to share out
  - "Nothing" is not an answer I will accept.

## Background

- ▣ Leader → **Pope**
- ▣ Headquarters → **Rome**
- ▣ Only institution (**organization**) that still existed after the fall of Rome



## Church Responsibilities

- ▣ Spread Christianity
- ▣ Administer **Seven Sacraments** to people
- ▣ Education
  - Cathedral schools
  - Seminary
  - Universities

## The Seven Sacraments

- ▣ Baptism
- ▣ Confirmation
- ▣ Marriage
- ▣ Holy Mass
- ▣ Confession
- ▣ Holy Orders
- ▣ Last Rites



## The Clergy

- ▣ **Clergy ↔ Church officials**
- ▣ Rules & requirements:
  - Receive "Holy Orders"
  - Vow of celibacy (no marriage or sex)
  - Know Latin (language of Catholic Church)



### Check for Understanding

- ▣ What were some of the Church's responsibilities?
- ▣ Why was the Catholic Church so powerful during the Middle Ages?