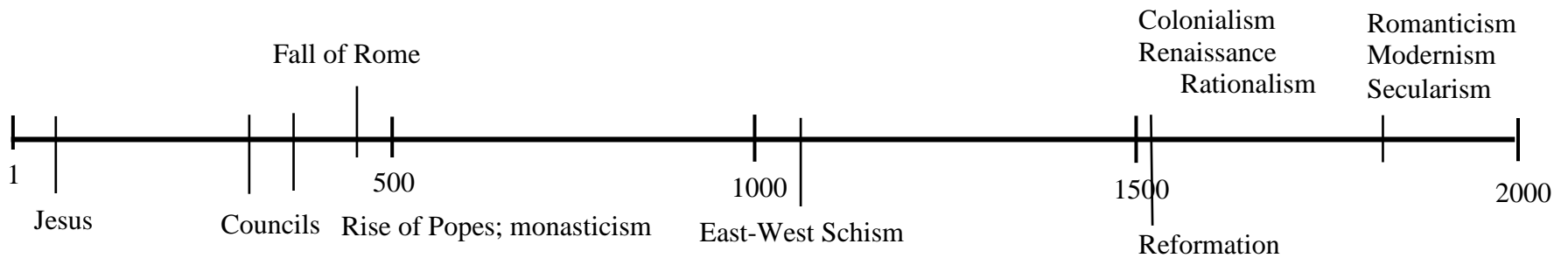


## Timelines of Christian History



Christian History can be marked in four segments of roughly five-hundred years.

1<sup>st</sup>: The Patristic period (early fathers) through the fall of Rome in 451.

2<sup>nd</sup>: Early Medieval to the schism of East and West in 1054.

3<sup>rd</sup>: Late Medieval, scholastics, and corruption, to the reformation in 1517.

4<sup>th</sup>: Reformation splinters, modernism and secularism in the present day.

Throughout this time, we see waves of complexity and reform; corruption and reform. The reforms were often led by:

- **Monks:** desert fathers, Benedictines, Franciscans, Luther
- **Theologians:** Athanasius, Cappadocians, Augustine, Luther, Calvin, Hooker, Barth
- **Bishops:** Leo, Athanasius, Gregory, Augustine, Leo IX, John XXIII, John Paul II
- **Missionaries & Evangelists:** Paul, Augustine of Canterbury, Cyril, Patrick, Jesuits, Livingstone
- **People:** communities (Amish, Moravians), preachers (Whitfield, Wesley)

Throughout this history, we see God's people seeking God

- Theology to answer confusion
- Theology to answer a changing world
- Prayers and service of the faithful each day around the world.

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