



Old Western Culture

A Christian Approach to the Great Books

Year 2: The Romans

Unit 4

NICENE CHRISTIANITY

The Age of Creeds and Councils



A ROMAN ROADS MEDIA *Video Course*

Exam A

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Nicene Christianity

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ESSAY QUESTIONS

1. How and why did the Emperor Diocletian change the structure of governance in the Roman Empire? (10 pts)

2. Why is Church history central to all other history? How ought that fact to affect our interpretation of other history? (12 pts)

3. What role has the Nicene Creed played in defining the church? (10 pts)

4. Why is an old great book better than a modern commentary on that book? (10 pts)

5. How are C. S. Lewis's and Augustine's conversion stories similar? (8 pts)

6. What is Augustine confessing in *Confessions*? (12 pts)



7. What are the two main things that motivate Augustine to write *City of God*? (10 pts)

8. How was private Roman piety different from public worship of Olympian gods? (10 pts)

9. How did Augustine describe evil in relation to the Aristotelian system of causes? (8 pts)

10. How will our will in heaven be different from what it is now? (10 pts)

EXTRA CREDIT

11. Why would contemporary Romans not have seen AD 476 as the major turning point that we now consider it? (BONUS FOR EXTRA CREDIT. 5 Pts.)

12. What role did Boethius play in the revival of education in the Middle Ages?
