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COURSE AND READING SCHEDULE
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Date	Topic	Reading Assignments from		Primary & Additional Sources
		<i>Turning Points</i>	<i>The Story</i>	
Jan 7 Introduction and Overview	Introduction		First read pages in bold!	Required readings are in bold.
	Why Study Turning Points in Church History/Theological History?	11-22	11-23	
Jan 8 The Fall of Jerusalem (70)	Christianity's Conflict with State & Culture: Persecution, Martyrdom & Apologetics Jewish, Hellenistic, & Latin Christianity	25-46	25-67 25-53	Perpetua, "The Martyrdom of Perpetua and Felicitas" (Intra).
	Heresy and Christianity's Response: Canon, Apostolic, and Creeds		68-135 68, 124-35	
Jan 9 Church and Empire: From Nicaea (325) to Chalcedon (451)	Arius and the Trinitarian Controversy: The Council of Nicaea (325)	47-64	137-96 137-40, 173-96	Athanasius, <i>The Incarnation of the Word of God</i> (Intra).
	The Christological Controversy: The Council of Chalcedon (451)	65-82	197-249 230-35	
Jan 10 Monastic Challenge (530)	Monastic Rescue and <i>The Rule of Benedict</i> (530)	83-105	251-77	Benedict, <i>The Rule of Benedict</i> (Intra).
	Later Monastic Developments: Cluniac (10 th C.) and Cistercian (12 th C.) The Mendicants (13 th C.)			
Jan 14 Christendom (800) The Great Schism (1054)	The Culmination of Christendom (800) The Rise of University and Scholasticism	107-27	311-47	Anselm, <i>Why God Became Human</i> (Intra).
	The Great Schism Between East and West (1054) Eastern Orthodox and Roman Catholic	129-50	278-310 304-10	

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Jan 15 The Age of Reform (1250-1550)	Nominalist Renewal and <i>Via Moderna</i> Independent Reform Movement Mystical Theology and <i>Devotio Moderna</i>		348-67	Thomas À Kempis, <i>Imitation of Christ (Intra)</i>.
	The Revival of Classical Learning: Renaissance and Humanism		"	
Jan 16 The Beginnings of Protestantism (1521)	Luther's Theology of the Cross	151-74	369-96	Luther, "Heidelberg Disputation (1518)," <i>Martin Luther's Basic Theological Writings</i>, 30-49 (library reserve).
	Zwingli, Calvin, and the Anabaptists		397-428	<i>The Schleithem Confession</i> (1527).
Jan 17 English Reformation (1534) Catholic Reform (1540)	The English Act of Supremacy (1534)	175-96	429-49	<i>The Thirty-Nine Articles of the Church of England</i> (1571).
	Catholic or Counter Reformation (1540)	197-220	"	<i>Canons and Decrees of the Council of Trent</i> (1545-1563).
Jan 21 The Wesleys' Revival (1738)	The Rise of Pietism (1675)	221-44	451-517 473-517	Philip Spener, "Pia Desideria," <i>Pietists, CWS</i>, 31-49 (library reserve).
	The Wesleys' Revival (1738)	"	"	John Wesley, <i>A Plain Account of Christian Perfection</i> .
Jan 22 The French Revolution (1789); Holiness Revival	The French Revolution (1789) and the Demise of Christendom (Deism and Enlightenment)	245-68	518-47	Schleiermacher, <i>The Christian Faith</i> , 1-31.
	The Great Awakenings Holiness Revival		"	Melvin Dieter, <i>The Holiness Revival</i>, 15-77 or Donald Dayton, <i>Theological Roots of Pentecostalism</i>, 63-84 (library reserve). Phoebe Palmer, <i>Entire Devotion to God</i> , 11-43, 146-52, 186-94.

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Jan 23 To Modernity	Liberals (Modernism) and Conservatives (Fundamentalism) to Modernity (1901)		547-69	Harnack, <i>Das Wesen des Christentums</i> (What Is Christianity?), 1-18, 49-56.
	Karl Barth and Neo-Orthodoxy		570-89	Karl Barth, <i>The Epistle to the Romans</i> , 27-54.
Jan 24 World Missionary Conference (1910) and Global Christianity	Modern Missionary Movement and World Missionary Conference (1910) Evangelical vs Ecumenical	269-94	590-613	William Carey, “An Enquiry” (Intra). Edinburgh 1910 Hocking versus Kraemer
	Further Turning Points of the 20 th Century: Pentecostalism; Bible Translation; Women; Vatican II; Survival under Communism	295-316	"	Walter Hollenweger, <i>Pentecostalism</i> , 1-5, 17-24.