

Introduction to Church History

Christian Roman Empire AD 313-590

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The Hypostatic Union

Party	Date	Human Nature	Divine Nature
Docetists	Late 1 st Century	Denied	Affirmed
Arians	4 th Century	Affirmed	Reduced
Apollinarians	4 th Century	Reduced	Affirmed
Nestorians	4 th Century	Affirmed <i>Christ was 2 persons</i>	Affirmed
Eutychians	5 th Century	Reduced <i>Christ had a mixed nature</i>	Reduced
Orthodox	N.T.	Affirmed	Affirmed

*One person with fully a divine nature and a fully human nature
Without Mixture, Without Change, Without Division, Without Separation*

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Essence with the Father.

Through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, Amen.

And whosoever shall say that there was a time when the Son of God was not or that before he was begotten he was not, or that he was made of things that were not, or that he is of a different substance or essence (from the Father] or that he is a creature, or subject to change or conversion - all that so say, the Catholic and Apostolic Church anathematizes them.

Creed of Constantinople

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

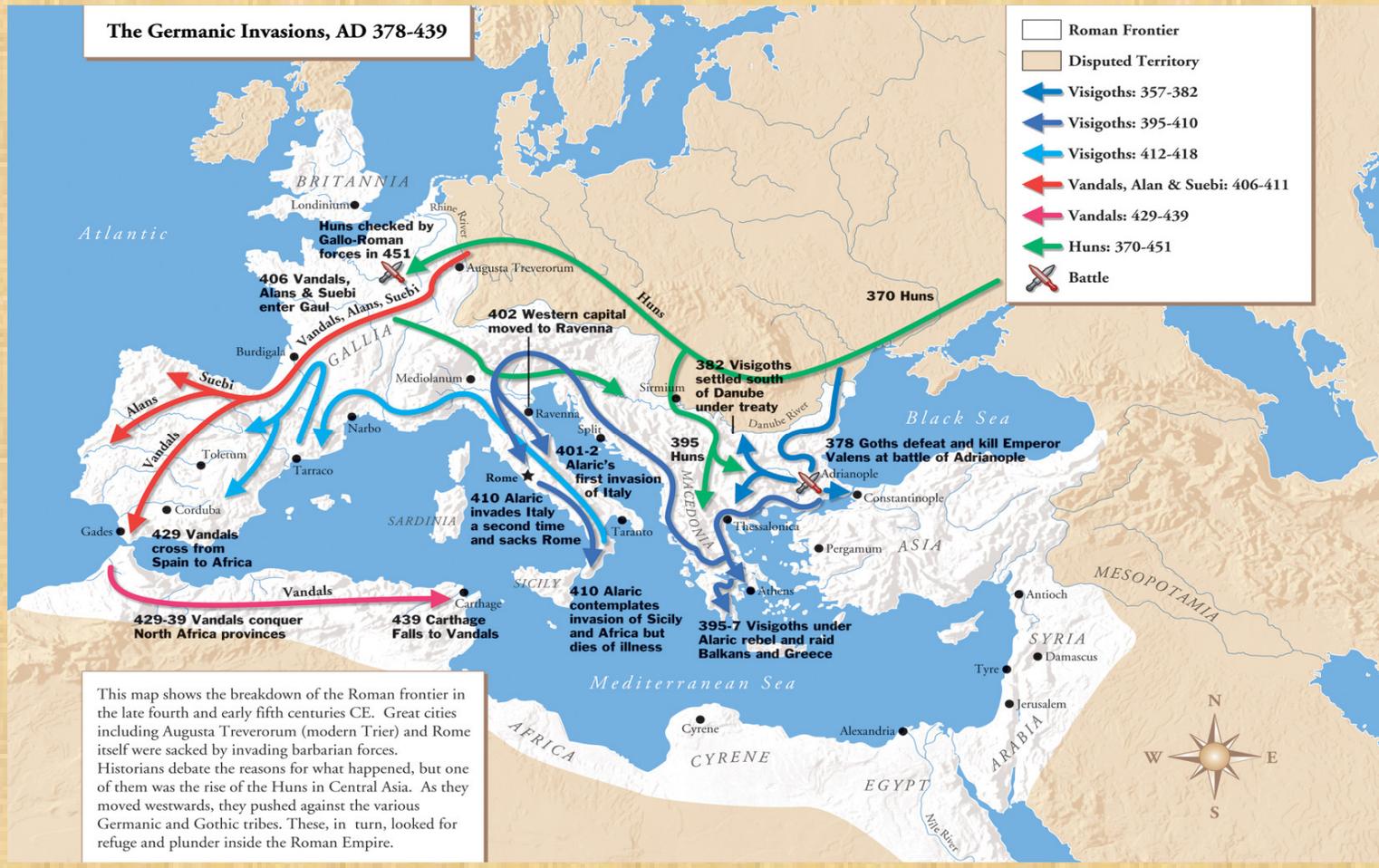
And [we believe] in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us, humans, and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and became fully human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried. He rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

And [we believe] in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. [We believe] in one holy universal and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Christ in the Major Church Councils

Statement	Council
Christ is fully divine	Council of Nicea - 325
Christ is fully human	Council of Constantinople - 381
Christ is a unified person	Council of Ephesus - 431
Christ is human and divine in one person	Council of Chalcedon - 451

Germanic Invasions



Eastern and Western Empires



