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History of Christianity
Assignment 5-3-1 - Week 5

Questions

1. Which church did the barbarians affect the most?
2. What did the basic principle of Saint Benedict's rule consist of?
3. How did the term "Papa" come about?
4. How influential was Pope Gregory the great?
5. What did the third ecumenical council condemn?

Answers

1. The Latin speaking western church.
2. Physical labor, vows of obedience, chastity, poverty, and stability
3. It was a term of endearment and respect, and it was applied to any bishop who deserved respect at that time
4. He took responsibility of the health and welfare of Rome, intervened in Spain and supported King Recared's effort to turn the nation into the catholic faith. Through his writings the middle age spread.
5. Nestorius, who claimed that in Christ there are two natures and two persons, one divine and one human.

Terms

Papacy - The office of Pope

Renaissance - A movement or period of vigorous artistic and intellectual activity.

Ecumenical -Representing the whole of a body of churches.

Summary

The church trying to have the same beliefs in doctrine, but instead coming into disagreement. The rise of Islam as a new threat to the church. Bishops becoming feudal Lords, the church losing its moral and spiritual authority. The byzantine empire gradually losing its influence. The byzantine empire losing it's territory in Africa and mostly Asia, due to the rise of Islam. The conversion of some countries like Bulgaria and Russia.