

Class: TH605 History of Christianity

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Questions

1. Who was the key figure in building the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem?
2. What are some of the multiple causes that resulted in the war of the Crusades?
3. What is one of the revisionist premises of Islam?
4. How many crusades war were there, and what was the period?
5. Name some religious figures who were instrumental in some of the wars of the crusades.

Answers

1. The key figure in the building of the Dome of the Rock in Jerusalem was Calip Abd al-Malik in 685-705.
2. Some of the multiple results that created the war of the crusades were religious, political, and economic factors, besides the call to rid the Holy Land of 'infidels' the Muslims.
3. One of the revisionist premises of Islam is Islam evolved for 200-300 years.
4. There were five different wars of the crusades fought from 1095- 1219.
5. Pope Urban and Bernard of Clairvaux were some of the religious figures that were instrumental in some of the wars.

Terms

1. Feudalism: these were territorial lords who were landowners or controlled some areas and set policies for themselves.
2. Nabateans were the builders of the city of Petra (*a wonderful carved city from red rocks*) and the source of Arabic.
3. Charles Martel: he was the grandson of Charlemagne.

Summary: The rise of Islam, with its checkered history and disdain for Christianity, has been in evidence for centuries, and the wars of the crusades have cemented that fact. Although the wars of the crusades came as a result of multiple causes, the focal point was remaining Islam in the Holy Land.