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When I think of the crusades, the first thing that comes to mind is men in helmets wearing clothes with crosses on them running at people calling them heretics. On a more serious note, I understand the crusades to be something of a blight on history especially so for Christians as it gives the impression of Christianity being a warlike religion of sorts. Given this, the image I think that is given from the crusades is that of much bloodshed and war all in the name of reclaiming the “holy land”. I joked around with some friends previously saying *deus vult* when we were playing video games together but now that I know what the term means and where it came from, I don’t feel very comfortable using it so wantonly. The values given by these messages seems to be one of secularism or hostility towards foreigners namely Muslim or Hindu people. I personally have nothing against people who belong to either religion though I disagree with some facets of their beliefs as they are similar to Christianity but as for the people themselves, I don’t have anything against them. This image shows me a picture of money being highly valued and any and all excuses being used to wage war by states. When it comes to contracts or contractual relationships, however, the images are much less carnal. They give the idea of subordination of authorities or putting both parties on equal grounds. I know its possible for contracts to be predatory in nature for one party in today’s society but from the contracts that were mentioned such as the one for English Parliament, I feel it is a binding of the ruling

authorities to the classes they are meant to serve and remove the element of small time tyranny among rulers that was so commonplace in previous chapters.