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Think about Popular images of the crusaders. What messages do they convey about the Crusaders? What frame value or values lie around such a message? What about images of contractual or contractual relationships?

The popular images of Crusaders were one of Mercenaries, with the mandate to acquire land and political alliance. These men were on a quest to kill anything or anyone in their path in order to carry out their assignments. They were a government unto themselves that was merciless and fanatical to a large extent.

This group of men were recruited by the Roman Catholics to recapture territories that were once under the Papacy rule. In order to do this the Pope had to find a group that was violent enough and that understood allegiance to the cause.

The Pope recognised this as a strength in the Crusaders, that he will need to reclaim his lost territory. *In order* to gain their attention he made a persuasive speech of gaining free passage to heaven if they fulfilled this task. Blinded by this noble desire they pledge allegiance and venture out to reclaim what they believe was lost for Christ. Not realizing that they were being used to advance a ideology a bring back territory by false pretense.

With the advancement of the crusaders into areas that were once ruled by the church, the Roman catholics began to spread over areas and secured land masses. This capturing of landmass after major blood shed

opened the door for trade and development. The invasion created a trade route among the captured nation that amassed wealth for the Roman Catholics. Allowing them to set up empires governed by Kings Religion and the army, leaving the rest of the population to work and bring forth wealth through taxations.

The King of England Richard the Lionheart joined forces with the King of France Augustus to conquer areas dominated by the Muslim Saladin, never mind that they were enemies to begin with, but now they have a common goal that makes them alliance for the cross in foresight. Different kingdoms began to emerge through marriages being set up, giving birth to the church of England, France and Spain. These kingdoms, in particular England, went as far as the Caribbean to establish their common wealth under its rule, with the arrival of Christopher Columbus.

The establishment of Monarchies was now the dominant force of the culture under the rule of the church. They now begin to set up their judicial system of governance that will legitimize the kingdom using legal formation of contractual workers to establish these systems.

For example the Small Iberia Christian kingdom who shared a similar cultural frame with the rest of Europe. They used Military laws to negotiate disputes and resolve issues. This is reflected in the top of their structure, where the Kings army were taken from the elite who were land owners. Creating a contractual arrangement of serving the King guaranteeing more land creating a win, win situation.

But with the crusaders taking new territory these lands needed to be worked, hence the drafting of a new policy that allows the peasants to work the land and control its borders from invaders, giving them the right of ownership, because these areas were not seen as profitable.

Along with this new policy another was introduced called “Fueros”, which allow for more economical and political benefits if they repopulate the deserted areas, freeing them from the aristocratic control, if they agree to provide urban infantry and calvary support for the crown. This contractual relationship is the bond through which an agreement is reached to establish an act or right, duty of the mentioned parties.

Suffice to say the “Magna carta in 1215 ” A contract established by the King of England to his subjects, outlined that he was not answerable to the people but to the law. This reflected a military structure of rulership that was broken by the parliament.

As the years progressed the contractual relationship became the bedrock of the society for trade and economic advancement throughout Europe and the world, maybe they copied the protocol from the bible which was the standard they used to wage war and create documents and seals of their country.

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