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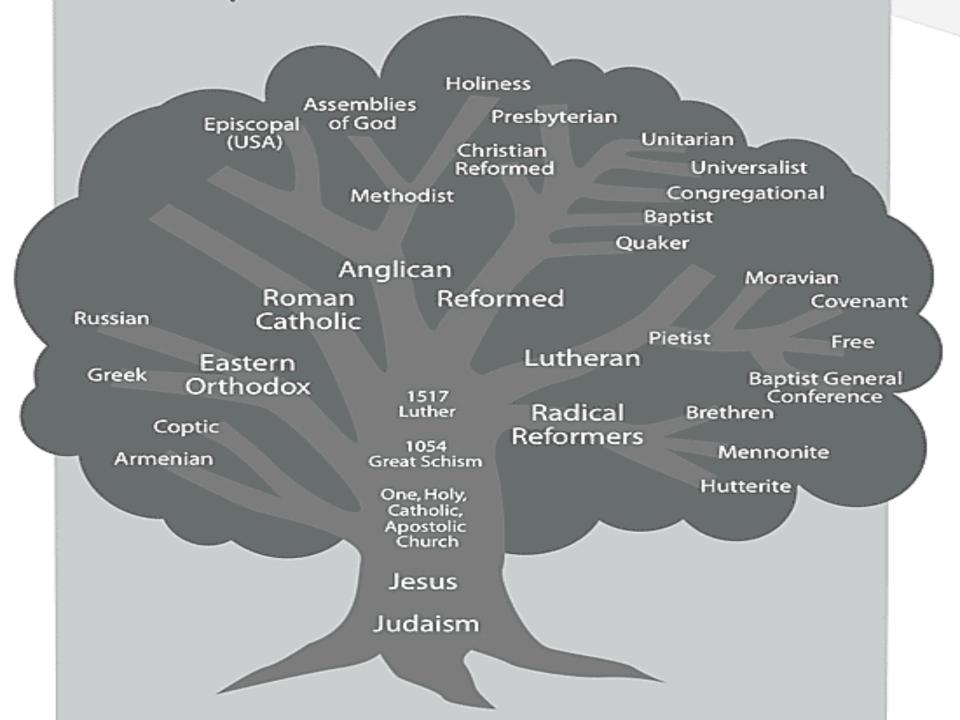
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**Reformation?** 

- -What caused the Protestant Reformation? –What were the main beliefs of the Protestant faiths: Lutheranism, Calvinism, & Anglicanism? Warm-Up Q: -Look at this Holiness Assemblies Presbyterian of God Episcopal Unitarian (USA) Christian Universalist Reformed image: What Congregational Methodist Baptist Quaker
  - Anglican Moravian Reformed Roman Covenant Russian Catholic Pietist Free Lutheran Eastern Greek Baptist General Orthodox 1517 Luther Ċonference Radical Brethren Coptic Reformers 1054 Mennonite Armenian Great Schism Hutterite One, Holy, Catholic. Apostolic Church Jesus Judaism



# During the Middle Ages, the Catholic Church was the dominant religion in Western Europe

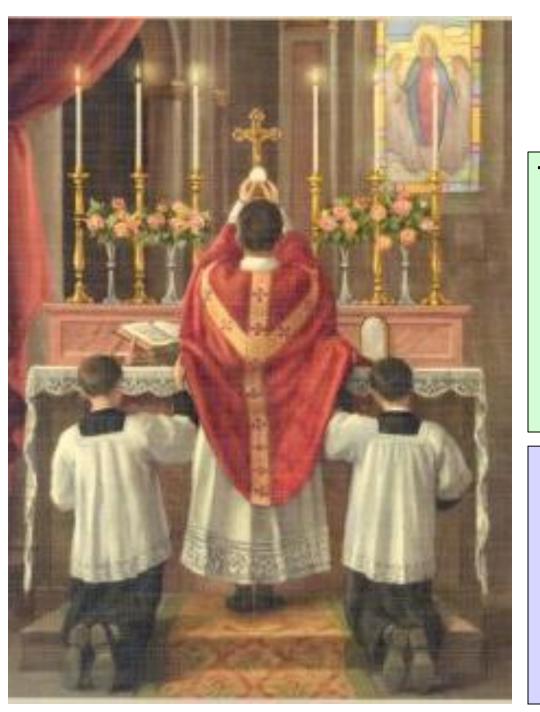
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#### Without a common government in Europe, the Catholic Pope became an important political leader

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sacraments & absolving sins

The Catholic Church taught that people could gain access to heaven (called salvation) by having faith in God & doing good works for others



# Practices of the Catholic Church

The church taught that Christians could gain more of God's grace through a series of spiritual rituals called the Holy Sacraments

Sacraments included Baptism, Confirmation, Communion, Confession, Marriage, Ordination of Priests, Last Rites for the Dying



But, the church was also growing corrupt

Clergy members took vows of chastity to abstain from sex...but Priests were required to go through

Sometimes, feudal lords would use their influence to have friends or children named as priests As a result, some clergy members were poorly educated

One of the most corrupt church practices was the selling of indulgences

Indulges began as a way for people to repent for their sins through good works

But rather than requiring good deeds, church leaders began selling indulgence certificates as a way of raising money

These practices went unquestioned during the Middle Ages By the time of the Renaissance, some Christians began criticizing church corruptions & questioned Catholic teachings

Christian humanists believed that they could help reform the Catholic Church In the 1300s, Reformers like John Wycliffe & priest Jan Hus attacked corruptions like indulges, said that the Bible (not the Pope) was the ultimate authority on Christianity, & wanted church teachings in the vernacular (local language) not Latin

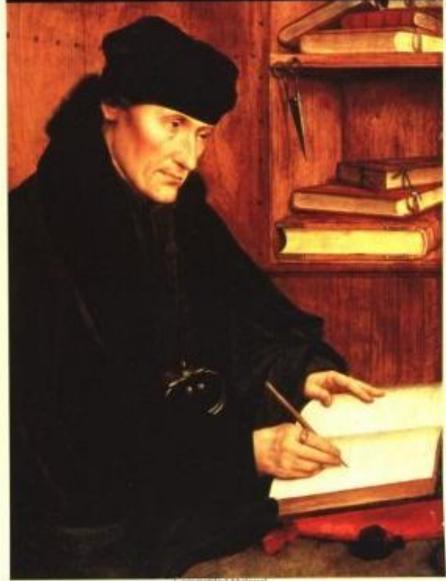


# Catholic leaders responded to these criticisms by executing Wycliffe & Hus

In 1509, Christian humanist Erasmus published <u>Praise of Folly</u> which called for an end of corruptions



#### ERASMUS PRAISE OF FOLLY



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As a result of Johann Gutenberg's invention of the moveable-type printing press in 1453, Erasmus' book spread throughout Europe & increased calls for church reform

A copyist took five months to produce a single book.



One man and a printing press could produce 500 books in the same amount of time.



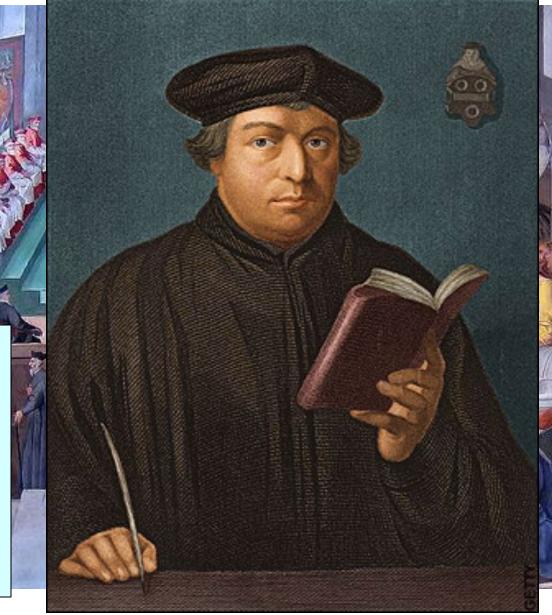
Paper Using paper massproduced by Chinese techniques, rather than vellum (calf or lambskin), made printing books possible.

> Ink Oil-based inks from 10thcentury Europe worked better on type than tempera ink.

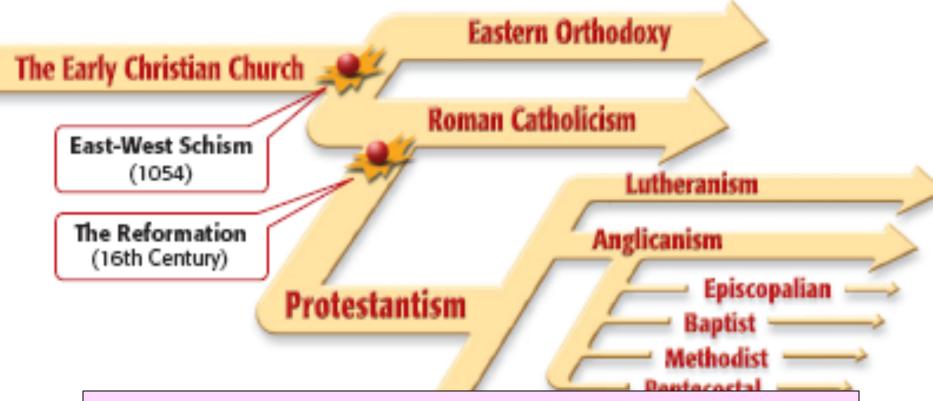
## The Protestant Reformation

By the early 1500s, the Catholic Church was in turmoil over the controversy of corruption & its unwillingness to adopt reforms

In Germany, a Catholic monk named Martin Luther became involved in a serious dispute with the Catholic Church

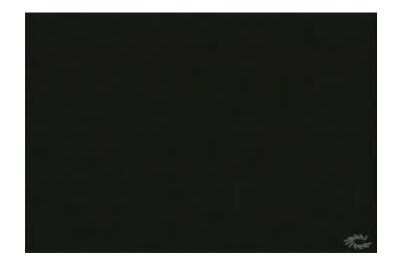


Martin Luther's break from the Catholic Church began the **Protestant Reformation**& inspired a series of new Christian denominations

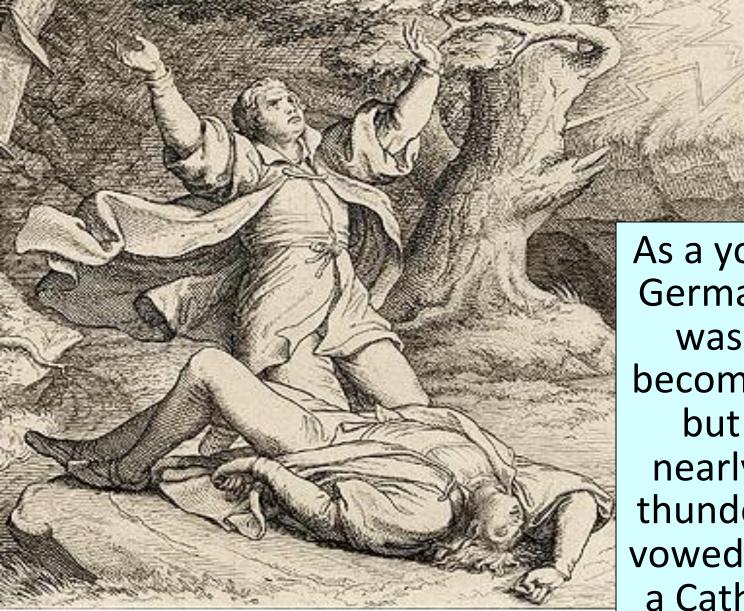


During the Protestant Reformation, reformers **protested** church corruptions & practices in hopes of **reforming** Christianity

### **The Protestant Reformation**



#### Martin Luther



As a young boy in Germany, Luther was going to become a lawyer, but after he nearly died in a thunderstorm he vowed to become a Catholic priest

# Martin Luther



After studying the Bible as a monk, Martin Luther became a priest & scholar

During his studies of the Bible, Luther became convinced that salvation could not be achieved by good works & sacraments

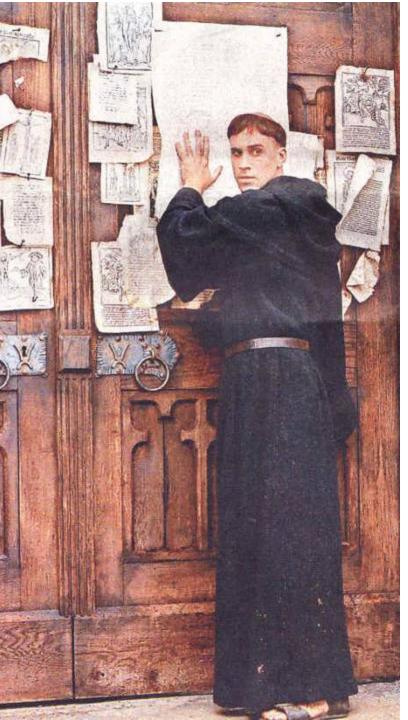
Instead, Luther was inspired by St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans: "A person can be made good by having faith in God's mercy"

### Martin Luther



Martin Luther believed that salvation was gained though having faith in God; He called this idea Justification by Faith

Martin Luther was also deeply troubled by the church's selling of indulgences, which he saw as false salvation



In 1517, Martin Luther wrote a list of arguments against church practices called the "Ninety-Five Theses"

He posted the Ninety-Five Theses on the church door in the town of Wittenberg & welcomed debate of his ideas



The "Ninety-Five Theses" spread quickly through Europe causing an incredible controversy

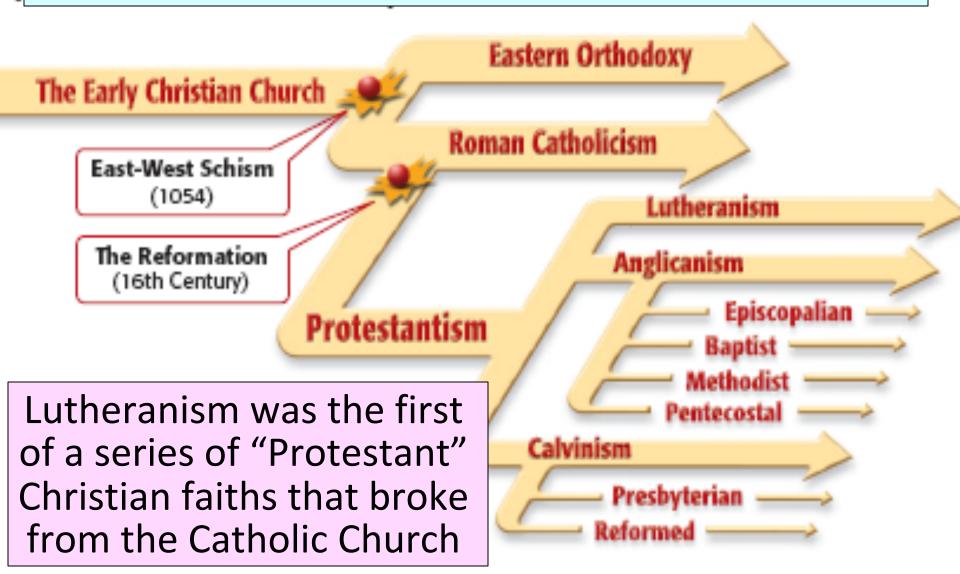
#### Many people, especially in Northern Europe, were excited about his ideas

But the Catholic Church condemned Luther & rejected his ideas In 1521, Luther was called before the Diet of Worms, a meeting of church & political leaders

The Church demanded that Luther take back his teachings Luther refused, argued that the Bible was the only source of religious authority, & encouraged Christians to study the Bible for themselves

At the Diet of Worms, Martin Luther was excommunicated from the Catholic Church

Martin Luther's stand against the Catholic Church led to the formation of a new Christian denomination known as Lutheranism



## **Protestant Faiths**

What were the main beliefs & practices of the first Protestant faiths: Lutheranism, Calvinism, & Anglicanism?

- –As a class, read the chart on Lutheranism, Calvinism, & Anglicanism
- -Complete the chart as you read
- Be prepared
  to discuss
  your answers

