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## AP World Study Guide – Chapter 10

(A New Civilization Emerges in Western Europe)

### Background

- Europe is just now feeling the effects of Roman civilization after its collapse.
- Arabs view them as backwards and stupid.
- Most of Europe is Christian at this point.

### Beginning of European Civilization

#### Impediments to Development

- Italy was divided politically
- Muslims control Spain
- Raids by Vikings make it difficult to develop.
- All intellectuals belonged to the Church
- Weak rulers

#### Economics and Technology

- **Manorial** system is most widely used
  1. Serfs work for landlords and are protected from invaders in return
  2. Serfs have to give part of their crops to their lord or do odd jobs around his castle.
  3. Organized in the late part of the Roman Empire
  4. Serfs are not slaves. They can inherit land and such, but they are stuck in the system because there are not a lot of other opportunities for them.

#### The Church

- Since the church was the only powerful organization, so it controlled almost anything.
- Hierarchy goes Pope -> Bishops -> Local Priests.
- Regional kingdoms are permitted to appoint bishops.
- Lots of missionary activity

#### Political Benefits to Christianity

- Clovis (German warrior chief) converts to Christianity in order to be superior to pagan rivals.
- Gave him connections to Pope (Who has the largest army at this point in time) and vague dominion over the Franks

#### Cultural Benefits to Christianity

- Monasteries provide education and livelihood to peasants
- Taught villagers different agricultural techniques
- Provided a purpose to life during the **Dark Ages** (time period after Rome's fall)

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