

## **Timeline of Christianity**

- c. 4 BC Birth of Jesus
- c. 26 John the Baptist begins ministry
- c. 27 Jesus begins ministry
- c. 30 Crucifixion of Jesus
- c. 35 Conversion of Paul
- c. 68 Martyrdom of Paul
- 70 Fall of Jerusalem
- 202 Christians persecuted under Septimus Severus
- 211 Christians tolerated under Emperor Antoninus Caracalla
- 222 Christians favored Emperor Alexander Severus
- 235 Christians persecuted under Emperor Maximin the Thracian
- 238 Christians tolerated under Emperor Gordian III
- 244 Christians favored under Emperor Philip the Arabian
- 251 Cyprian's Unity of the Catholic Church
- 303 Diocletian orders burning of Christian books and churches
- 312 Emperor Constantine's conversion to Christianity
- 313 Edict of Milan establishes official toleration of Christianity
- 325 Council of Nicea
- 336 Death of Constantine
- 354 Birth of Augustine
- 380 Christianity made official religion of Roman Empire
- 381 Council of Constantinople
- 386 Augustine converts to Christianity
- 1054 Great Schism between East and West
- 1378 Great Western Schism (until 1423)
- 1431 Joan of Arc martyred
- 1453 Fall of Constantinople to Turks
- 1478 Spanish Inquisition founded by Ferdinand and Isabella
- 1483 Birth of Martin Luther
- 1492 Expulsion of Jews from Spain by Ferdinand and Isabella
- 1521 Luther excommunicated
- 1530 Augsburg Confession
- 1534 Henry VIII's Act of Supremacy
- 1536 Calvin's Institutes of the Christian Religion
- 1590 Michelangelo completes the dome of St. Peter's Basilica in Rome
- 1609 Baptist Church founded by John Smyth
- 1611 King James (Authorized) Version of the Bible produced
- 1729 Beginnings of Methodism, led by John Wesley
- 1830 Joseph Smith produces Book of Mormon
- 1834 Spanish Inquisition officially abolished
- 1870 Dogma of Papal Infallibility
- 196/5 Second Vatican Council
- 1989 First woman ordained in an apostolic-succession church (the Protestant Episcopal church). Fall of the Berlin Wall.