

We are now dividing our course in church history into two parts because two years ago in the course in post-reformation church history I thought it wise to go back for a little distance and to go rather into detail on the background of the reformation. Naturally, in view of that, we covered a good bit of material which will be covered in the other class in the latter part of this semester and it is hardly necessary that we take time in this class to go over all that material again. I've given you, assigned review of it several times and you should have it well in mind now. I think on the other hand it would be much more valuable for us to have a few classes in which we could get some of the more recent material that we failed to get as a result of that procedure two years ago and so for that reason we are dividing the class now. This section, as you know, will meet on Monday afternoons at two o'clock and on Thursday mornings at 8:40. You will not be required to be present tomorrow morning at the 9:40 class at which we have usually met. Now we have been looking in our course at No. 6 which dealt with the period from 600 to 800 and I'm going to make No. 7 a very large section, to cover 400 years, half as much as all we've covered so far and in fact just as much as we have covered up until about two weeks ago in the whole year, 800 to 1200. I mention this because I think it is important that you realize that there is a very long period between the crowning of Charlemagne in 800 and the year 1200 A. D. It is a long period in which a great many things occurred but mostly matters which do not affect our lives today to a great extent. Some of them are important to know about for the sake of the arguments which may be built in relation to them; some of them have an effect on our lives through other developments. I'm not going to take the time in this class to go into the details of the conversion of the Scandinavians, for instance, which took place in this period and mostly at about 1000 A. D. We do not have a great deal about this. It was a very interesting and important movement, but I think it is of more value to us to get recent developments among Scandinavians than to get the story of their original conversion, and so we are just going to deal with some of those matters which are of very great importance today in this period, and so No. 7, 800-1200, A. under this is an event which has been of