1. A procurator was a Roman official who oversaw, or took care of, the province in his charge.

2. In Christian church structure, the clergy are the church leaders, such as priests, who have distinct roles and duties that distinguish them from the laity, the regular church members.

3. Monks were initially hermits. By the time of Benedict, monasticism, or the practice of living life as a monk, had become community-based. In addition to carrying out missionary work, monks were social workers for their communities and teachers of the young; they provided hospitality to travelers and hospitals for the sick. Monks copied classical manuscripts and made books, passing on the knowledge of the classical world to Europe. Nuns shared the monks’ roles of spreading Christianity, providing books and money for missionary work and establishing convents in newly converted lands.

4. Wergild means “money for a man.” Crime and punishment were treated as personal issues under Germanic law, so the wergild was established to stave off blood feuds and acts of vengeance. A means of determining guilt in Germanic law was the ordeal, in which a person accused of wrongdoing was forced to undergo a physical test. The belief was that divine forces would intervene to protect an innocent person.

5. Leo III felt that icons (holy pictures) promoted idolatry (the false worship of images), so he outlawed icons. Monks and Roman Catholic popes decried this practice and defended the use of icons. The disagreement weakened the ties between Eastern and Western churches, even though later Byzantine emperors in the late eighth century reversed the rule on the use of icons.

6. In the Byzantine Empire, a patriarch was the head or “father” of the Byzantine, or Eastern Orthodox, Church a counterpart to the Roman Catholic pope. The patriarch was appointed by the emperor, who controlled both church and state. Because the emperor was seen as chosen by God and having absolute power, the patriarch was accountable to the emperor.

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