

How it happened

THE FIRST CRUSADE

In 1054 The Great Schism splits the Christian church into East (Orthodox) and West (Roman Catholic).

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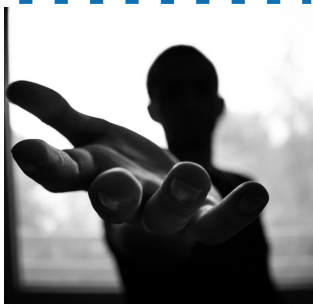
Between 632 and 1090 Islam expanded rapidly and conquered most of the Christian Byzantine Empire.

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In 1093 Byzantine Emperor Alexius I writes a letter to Pope Urban II in which he asks for military aid against the Seljuk Turks.

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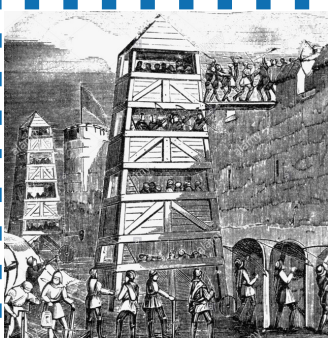
Pope Urban II reads the letter and decides to give a speech (1095) in which he calls Catholics to go help the Byzantine (Orthodox) Christians.

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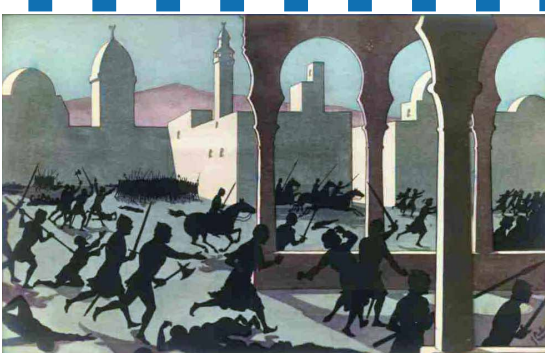
On Friday, July 15th 1099 Jerusalem was reconquered by the Crusader armies.

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The Franks took the city and massacred many of the inhabitants.

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Some Jewish communities in Europe were harassed by Crusading soldiers who were enroute to Jerusalem.

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1. Last resort
2. Competent & Legitimate authority
3. Self Defense
4. Chance of success
5. Re-establish peace
6. Proportional violence
7. Try to avoid killing civilians

