**Church History**

**Test 1**

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1. **Fill in the blanks**
2. Where in the Bible is the first prophecy of a Redeemer? Gen. 3:15
3. The Messiah was fulfilled in the person of Jesus.
4. What is the birthday of the church? Pentecost
5. Describe the relationship between the Christians of the New Testament era and the Jewish religious establishment (2 pts). At first the Christians continued to participate in the Jewish religion, but the Jewish leaders soon turned against the Christians. Their violent opposition to Christianity brought about a clear division between the church and Judaism.
6. A summary of the basic beliefs of the early church can be found in Apostles’ Creed.
7. Was the first persecution of the church initiated by the Jews or the Romans? Jews
8. Under which emperor did the Roman persecutions begin? Nero
9. What do we call early Christian thinkers who defended their faith against attacks and accusation brought by unbelievers? apologists
10. Who were early church leaders who had been taught by the apostles? Apostolic Fathers
11. Name at least one man who fits in this category: Polycarp (or a number of others)
12. What school of thought taught that the material world is evil and that Jesus came to rescue people from the prison of the physical world? Gnosticism
13. What erroneous movement proclaimed that the church no longer needed to pay attention to Scripture since the Holy Spirit could speak to believers directly? Montanism
14. What is the name for the list of writings which the early church identified as inspired and authoritative? canon
15. Which church council concluded that Jesus is of the same essence as God the Father Himself and is not inferior in any way? Council of Nicea
16. Which church council affirmed that in addition to being fully God Jesus is also fully human, and that although Jesus has two natures, He is still one person? Council of Chalcedon
17. What document legalized Christianity in the Roman Empire and brought an end to the persecution by the Roman government? Edict of Milan
18. **Match the Following Items**
19. D Arius a. Prepared the way for the Messiah
20. A John the Baptist b. Elderly leader who chose to be martyred rather than deny Christ
21. E Ambrose c. Translated the Bible into Latin (the *Vulgate*)
22. B Polycarp d. Taught that Jesus was a created being and not fully God
23. C Jerome e. Latin Church Father from Milan who stood up to Emperor Theodosius
24. **Including as much information as you can, write a paragraph describing the circumstances surrounding Constantine’s “conversion” to Christianity and discuss the impact (both positive and negative) that his conversion had on the church. (10 pts)**

*\*BONUS OPPORTUNITY\* On another sheet of paper, write the Nicene Creed by memory.*