Crash Course European History: Viewing Guide  
Episode 1: Medieval Europe

**Terms to know from this episode:**
Black Death (Peak 1348-1350)
The Western Schism/Great Schism (1378-1417)
Hundred Years War (1337-1453)
Little Ice Age (1300-1850)

1. What are some myths you've heard about Medieval Europe?

2. How was the Black Death carried, and what was its quick spread a sign of relating to human activity?

3. What was the mortality rate for the Black Death?

4. About what percentage of Europeans died from the Black Death?

5. Imagine losing half or your community in a few years? What kind of differences can you picture?

6. What was in the globe? (Technical and common name)

7. Who was the Hundred Year’s War fought between and how long did the war last?

8. What were some impacts of the Hundred Years War?

9. What was the Code of Chivalry?

10. What technological innovation helped the English prevail at the Battle of Agincourt?

11. What other technological innovations changed warfare during this war?

12. In 1420, when the Treaty of Troyes was signed, who seemed to be leading the war?
13. What happened to Joan of Arc in 1431?

14. What were some ways in which Medieval life was harder than the present?

15. Who was the Pope in 1300? Who did he compete with for power?

16. What is the Unam Sanctam shown in the graphics at 8:09? (This is referenced previously in the episode, but you may need to google it or check your textbook for a definition? What did it say about the power of the Pope?

17. When Pope Gregory decided to move the papacy back to Rome, what happened?

18. How and when did the Great Schism end?

19. What happened in 1453?

20. How did the increase in death in Medieval Europe impact the power of serfs?

21. What happened in 1378 with the Ciompi?

22. You may have some background on the Renaissance, and you got a teaser about it at the end of this episode. Given the changes you saw in this episode, what kind of changes do you predict are in store for Europe’s “Rebirth.”

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