

Exploring the Religions of Our World YouTube Videos

Chapter 3: Christianity

Chapter 3: Section 1

Sts. Perpetua and Felicity

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vc9apOH9id4>

Time: 2:01

Images of Perpetua and Felicity play across the screen as a priest reads a message to women from Vatican II.

The Last Anchorite Part 1

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uKXf_7Tt0-c

Time: 8:55

An introduction to the life of a Coptic Monk and Christian convert Father Lazarus, who lives as the early desert Fathers in Egypt. Images of prayer, liturgy and the small cave where he lives. The radical asceticism of the desert monastics may provoke a strong reaction from students. A foundation for comparing and contrasting Eastern/Western monasticism later in the course.

Inside a Catholic Benedictine Monastery; the monks

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pnKbPj7EhCg>

Time 3:37

Monastic chant plays to accompany an array of still and video images of Benedictine monastic life. Students may be invited to compare and contrast Eastern/Western monasticism later in the course.

Jesus in Early Christian Art

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rtmjwXf28Zs>

Time: 4:22

A slideshow of early Christian images from 200-500 A.D., categorized by origin of place and time. Background music: Gregorian chant. Students may be invited to comment on the style of depicting Christ, or they may compare and contrast it to modern images of Jesus.

Nicene Creed "Pistevo" (Native Greek)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uyFU8WrZlpw>

Time: 1:13

A man reads the Nicene Creed in Original Greek. Students may be invited to listen for words they recognize.

Christians are Persecuted, Martyred and Killed Worldwide

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oySB4uw4n18>

Time 4:24

An intense and powerful video depicting modern day Christian persecution and martyrdom. Graphic, images of wounds sustained in persecution.

World Council of Churches

Time: 1:20

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iCLcoPn2bKI>

The United Church of Canada describes the founding and mission of the World Council of Churches. Students may be invited to compare and contrast the mission of the World Council of Churches to the Catholic desire to “recover the gift of unity of all Christians” (119).

Chapter 3: Section 2

St. Justin Martyr

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pbLKP28sLSs>

Time: 2:01

A short summary of the term “apologist” and a reflection on the St. Justin Martyr’s apologetics of the Eucharist. Images of Justin accompany narration.

Chapter 3: Section 3

O Magnum Mysterium – University of Utah Singers

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GqCtbR8PktU>

Time: 5:31

A chorus performs an a hauntingly beautiful a capella work by Morten Lauridsen, celebrating the mystery of the Incarnation and birth of Christ. You can find the original Latin lyrics and translation below.

*O magnum mysterium et admirabile sacramentum
ut animalia viderent Dominum natum
jacentem in praesepe.*

*Beata virgo cujus viscera
meruent partare Dominum Christum.
Alleluia.*

Literal translation:

O great mystery and admirable [wonderful] sacrament
That animals see the Lord born
Lying in a manger.

Blessed virgin whose viscera [womb]
Were [was] worthy to bear Lord Christ.
Allelujah.

Chapter 3: Section 4

Catholics Observe Lent

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nOItUVpfV-s>

Time: 1:01

A brief, but full, description of the celebration of Lent.

(Catholic Rap) Le Feat. C2Six & Dy-Verse - Christ is Alive

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=whIIOptvj00&NR=1>

Time: 4:31

A young man raps (quality, clean) about the Resurrection and what it means to his life.

Chapter 3: Section 5

Chartres Cathedral – Great Attractions (Chartres, France)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jShI6UUsI4s>

Time: 1:01

A brief (professionally narrated) tour of Chartres highlighting major architectural features and events in her history.

World's Most Beautiful Cathedrals

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=obyusV6ISgA>

Time: 1:44

A (professionally narrated) tour of the most beautiful cathedrals around the world. Narrator often notes the Catholic rite or Christian denomination of the cathedral. Succinct, informative, and not visually overwhelming.

Chapter 3: Section 6

Taize Worship

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TQZgOLSiVjY>

Time: 5:56

A sung Taize prayer accompanies images of Taize prayer services. Students may not the progressive integration of more complicated instruments and harmony and the many different languages used. Students may compare the style of Taize music to the mission of the Taize community.

Benedict XVI: Steps toward the unity of Christians

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=INFrqvLtMNI>

Time: 1:25

A brief news report on Pope Benedict XVI's ecumenical endeavors during the world Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. Orthodox, Anglican, Methodist churches are mentioned.