



Old Western Culture

*A Christian Approach to the Great Books*

Year 2: The Romans

Unit 4

# NICENE CHRISTIANITY

*The Age of Creeds and Councils*



A ROMAN ROADS MEDIA *Video Course*

*Exam B*

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# Nicene Christianity

## Exam B

### ESSAY QUESTIONS

1. How did the expansion of Roman citizenship to all inhabitants of the Roman Empire affect Roman culture? (10 pts)

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2. Why is Church history central to all other history? How ought that fact to affect our interpretation of other history? (12 pts)

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3. What role has the Nicene Creed played in defining the church? (10 pts)

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4. Why is an old great book better than a modern commentary on that book? (10 pts)

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5. How did St. Anthony and Athanasius view the devil's power in the world? (8 pts)

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6. What is Augustine confessing in *Confessions*? (12 pts)

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7. Why did Augustine write *Confessions*? (10 pts)

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8. How was private Roman piety different from public worship of Olympian gods? (10 pts)

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9. How is the renewal of the world akin to our own resurrection? (8 pts)

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10. How will our will in heaven be different from what it is now? (10 pts)

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**EXTRA CREDIT**

11. Why would contemporary Romans not have seen AD 476 as the major turning point that we now consider it? (BONUS FOR EXTRA CREDIT. 5 Pts.)

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12. What is the wheel of fortune? (BONUS FOR EXTRA CREDIT. 5 Pts.)

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